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Dear Parents and Carers,

Next week we have another busy week in school.

Anti-Bullying Week

A note from Mrs Watson (PHSE Lead)...

We're starting things off with an **ODD SOCKS DAY** on Monday, Nov 10th! 🧦 ✨

Why odd socks?

Just like our socks, we're all unique—and that's something to celebrate! 🤖 Whether it's stripes with spots, or neon green with purple, wearing mismatched socks is a fun way to show that our differences make us stronger, kinder, and more interesting. ✨

Bullying has no place in our school, and by rocking our wildest sock combos, we're sending a clear message of kindness, respect, and inclusion. ❤️

So, dig out those funky socks, get creative, and let's kick off Anti-Bullying Week in style! 🌈 The more colourful and mismatched, the better! 🧠

Let's stand together—in odd socks—for a world full of kindness!

Remembrance

All the children will be learning about the meaning and importance of Remembrance Day. Your child's class teacher will be posting on Class Dojo information about what your child has been learning. As a school, we will be observing a silence at 11am.



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Children in Need

Next Friday (Friday 14th Nov) we will be supporting Children in Need.

Children are invited to come to school wearing anything yellow and/or spotty. They are welcome to come in full yellow or spots if they wish or they may feel more comfortable wearing something small e.g. a yellow hair band or spotty socks.

BBC Children in Need supports charities, organisations and programmes right across the UK, all year round. It funds projects that aim to improve the lives of children and young people in every single nation and region throughout England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

If you would like to donate, please use the link below which takes you to the official website:

<https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/donate/>

Dates for your Diary

Autumn 2 nd Half Term	
Monday 3 rd November	KS1 Educational Visit: Children's Book Show @Theatre Royal UKS2 Winter Gardens Educational Visit
Monday 10 th to Friday 14 th	Anti Bullying Week
Wednesday 5 th November until 11 th November	Book Fair
Thursday 6 th November	Flu immunisations for Reception to Year 6
Tuesday 11 th November	Remembrance Day Y4 PACT
Friday 14 th November	Children in Need day
Tuesday 18 th November	Y5 PACT
Thursday 20 th November	World Children's Day
Wednesday 26 th November	Christmas Fair after school (more details to follow soon)
Tuesday 2 nd December	Y6 PACT
Friday 5 th December	UKS2 Educational Visit
Tuesday 9 th December	Reception Christmas singalong 9:15am
Wednesday 10 th December	KS1 Christmas Show 9:15am 2pm Nursery Christmas singalong
Thursday 11 th December	LKS2 Christmas Show 9:15am
Friday 12 th December	UKS2 Carol singing in the community
Monday 15 th December	EYFS Christmas party Christmas jumper week
Tuesday 16 th December	KS1 Christmas party
Wednesday 17 th December	LKS2 Christmas party
Thursday 18 th December	UKS2 Christmas party
Christmas Holidays Monday 22 nd Dec – Friday 2 nd January	

Attendance Alert!

Our overall attendance is falling; it has dropped to 93.4%. I believe very strongly that we can put Simonside 'on the map'. However, we need to get our attendance higher so we can at least meet the national average. Please ensure you only keep your child off school for illness if they really can't manage to attend. If they are just 'under the weather' or tired, these are not reasons to keep children off school.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Take care,

Mrs Hills
Head Teacher

