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Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Life in All its Fullness

Our value this term is
Generosity

Welcome back!

We hope you all had a happy and healthy half term break. Here at Cam Hopton, we are all re-energised ready for a busy and exciting half term ahead with new classroom topics, M and M Productions performance of The Wizard of Oz, a visit from the Coram Life Education Team and a PTA Christmas Bubble Fayre.

Please continue to look out for notices and information on Class Dojo, Parentmail and the PTA Facebook page.

Children who have shown 'Life in all its Fullness' -

Well done to the following children:

Gem Powers



Children who have shown their gem powers this week:

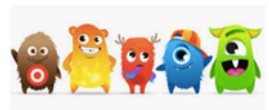
Sam Burton, Isaiah Townsend, Poppy Woolams, Rosie Bevan, Luca Smit, Dexter Morgan and Annabelle Adams

Sports Super Heroes

Ben Tudor, AJ Stark, Ria Richings, Henry Mapp, Daniel Ford, Ruby Evans and Reuben Lynham

Dojo Certificate

Ellie March, Aoife Berry, Katelyn Stark, Yasemin Karakulah, Wynn timer Fluester, Sam Howells, Rory Blackburn and Harry Savage



The class with the highest number of DOJO POINTS this week is: **RECEPTION** who have earned extra play. Well done Reception!

Rags 2 Riches

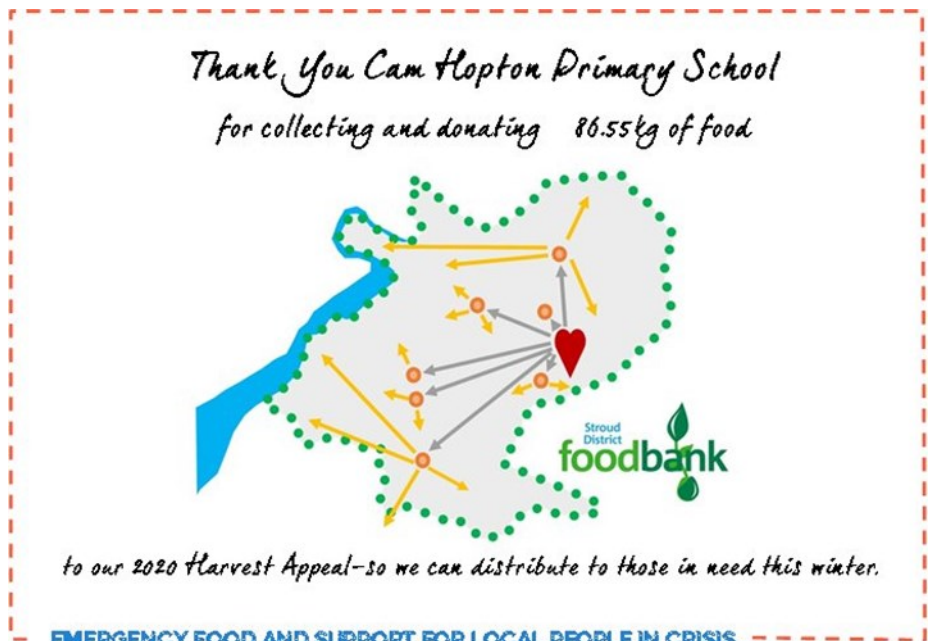
Our next PTA fundraising event is our Rags 2 Riches collection on **Friday 20th November**. No bags are being sent home to fill this time so please fill any strong bag you have at home with your reusable unwanted clothes and paired shoes. They will also accept any accessories such as belt, handbags and jewellery.

Unfortunately, due to storage limitations, we are unable to accept bags before 20th November. Please drop off any donations on the morning of the collection, Friday 20th November. Please see attached flyer for details.

Foodbank update

Many thanks to everyone who generously donated to the Foodbank for harvest before half term. Incredibly, our school community donated 86.55 kg of food and toiletries which will help many families in need of extra support at this difficult time.

thank
you!



Remembrance

Remembrance Sunday will be different this year without large crowds gathering around war memorials in the current Lockdown although small wreath laying acts of remembrance will take place and visits to war memorials can happen.

At St George's we are delivering a service at 9:30am Live on our Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgeCam> (or on Zoom if you receive our church emails.) You are all very welcome to join us as all ages join in to remember.

Wander Wonder

A quick reminder about the Wonder Wander design competition, to draw a nativity figure for Cam and Dursley's nativity trail 2020. Reverend Fiona will be picking up entries from school on Monday.

Make a Star or a Lantern for a Shepherd's Grotto

St George's church is also designing a shepherd's grotto, which children will be able to visit in December in the church grounds and would like some decorations from our children. If you would like to make the following by December and hand them into school we will give them to Reverend Fiona.

Stars made from twigs. These could be decorated with edible plain popcorn (for birds)

Lanterns to hang from the trees.

Notices/Reminders

Tuesday 10th November— M and M Productions visit to perform The Wizard of Oz

Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th November— Coram Life Education visit all classes

Friday 20th November— Rags 2 Riches collection

LEARNING SAFELY AT HOME

If your child is self-isolating, but not ill, class teachers will direct you to options for learning at home or 'remote learning'.

Children should have brought home a 'homework' grid for this term, with lots of suggested activities.

The middle activity on the grid is the most important, but children can then choose others to do too. This can be photographed and put onto Class Dojo if they wish their teachers and classmates to see their work.

Children will also have a variety of tasks which recur weekly, depending on year group, such as :

- Spelling practise

- Timetables practise

- Regular reading (daily if possible)

We will not be providing learning packs, because teachers are in class full-time, instead we would like to direct you to the **Oak National Academy**: <https://www.thenational.academy/>

Oak National Academy is an online classroom made by teachers, for children and teachers. It offers free, high-quality video lessons and resources which are available throughout 2020/21.

Lessons from Reception to Year 6 are delivered by a teacher, with a pre-recorded video as well as quizzes, worksheets and creative activities. It's all easy to use, there's no login or password, you can access lessons on any device, and children only need materials they can find at home.

We will provide work on paper by request if you have trouble accessing online learning.

Many sources of remote learning are online and it is important that children are kept safe whilst accessing this with a secure remote connection.

During the period of remote learning, teachers will maintain regular contact with you via Class Dojo and/or phone to:

- Reinforce the importance of children staying safe online.

- Ensure you are aware of what children are being asked to do, e.g. sites they have been asked to use and staff they will interact with.

- Encourage you to set age-appropriate parental controls on devices and internet filters to block malicious websites.

- Direct you to useful resources to help them keep children safe online.

Unfortunately we are unable to provide access to the internet off the school premises or online safety software, e.g. anti-virus software.