

# Townhill Junior School

## Weekly Update: 8<sup>th</sup> November



Dear Parents and Carers

It was a very busy first week back after half term with a residential and several other exciting opportunities in school. Thank you to everyone for the wonderful way in which the children settled back into their learning after a week away from school. Here is a summary of the week:

### Y6 Stubbington and Activity Week

Y6 had a different week this past week. Half the year group went to Stubbington for their residential, while the other half stayed in school and had an activity week.

The week at Stubbington was fantastic and we were so proud of the way the children and they were a credit to the school showing endless enthusiasm for the activities we completed. Well done!



A great week was also had by those who didn't attend Stubbington. They filled their week with interesting learning projects including Blitz Art, making a guy and clay poppies.



### Remembrance

On Monday, we had an assembly about Remembrance with other activities taking place in school, including painting and making clay poppies. Poppies were also sold all week at breaktime. We will be having a two-minute silence at 11am on Monday. Please see the attached image for details of how your child can get involved.

*Remembering*

On Monday 11th November 2024, it is Remembrance Day.

Our Service pupils (those with family members in or have previously been in the Services) are able to come in to school wearing something that represents this, for e.g. a hat, medal, socks or service uniform. Those pupils who attend any of the Scout or Girlguide groups can also wear their uniforms in to school on 11/11/24 (this includes Rainbows, Brownies, Beavers etc). All other pupils should wear their normal school uniform.

### Astrodome and Planetarium

On Thursday, Mrs Ilyat arranged for an astrodome to visit school. This large inflatable astrodome took up most of the hall. Once inside, the children got to look up as it came to life as a planetarium to help Y5 with their science work on space.



### Girls Football

On Friday afternoon, our girls football team travelled to Oasis Mayfield to take part in the Southampton School Games Primary Football Festival. They represented the school brilliantly and won an excellence award for their determination and participation from Hampshire FA.



### Anti-Bullying Week

The week ahead is national Anti-Bullying Week. There will be a launch assembly on Monday with various activities in class and PSHE lessons throughout the week. To recognise and celebrate that we are all different, on Tuesday, it is Odd Socks Day and we encourage everybody to wear odd socks for the day!



### Children in Need

On Friday, we are supporting BBC Children on Need by having a non-uniform day. The cost will be £1 which School Councillors will collect in registration. The theme this year is blue, purple, pink or yellow and spots but we are happy for you to support in any way you would like through your choice of clothing.



## Current Learning

	Subject	What the children will be learning	Ideas to support with the learning at home
Y3	English	Diary writing	Write a diary about your weekend
	Maths	Multiplying and dividing	Play TT Rock Stars
	Science	Different types of rock	Explain to an adult how igneous rocks are made
Y4	English	Persuasive advert	Persuade your parents to do something for you using flattery and commands!
	Maths	Multiplication	Play TT Rock Stars to help find related facts to work out answers quickly
	Topic	Comparing Biomes	Research animals and plants found in the UK forest biome
Y5	English	Narrative writing on Barnabus Project	Read your favourite story book and tell an adult what makes it so good
	Maths	Multiplication and division	Play TT Rock Stars to learn multiplication and division facts
	Science	Space	Find out interesting facts about the sun and the moon
Y6	English	Persuasive letter writing	Write to our catering team to get them to include your favourite meal
	Maths	Fractions	Play TT Rock Stars to find common denominators
	Science	Living things and their habitats	Tell your parents about Mrs Gren



## Home Learning

A reminder that all of our home learning is online through three main platforms and the expectation is that every child should be logging their reading, and completing challenges on TT Rocks and Spelling Shed every week:

Maths: Times Tables Rockstars  
 Reading: Boom Reader  
 Spelling: Spelling Shed



### Star of the Week

Class	Name
3G	Shurong
3T	Alana
4T	Lena
4P	Leah
5I	Peter
5OH	Charley & Arey
6S	Callum
6C	Leo.M
6O	Amelia

### Times Tables Rocks Leaderboard



Rank	First Name	Class	Most correct answers
1	Idah	5OH	10708
2	Yuting	6C	4751
3	Lily	5OH	3488
4	Sienna	5OH	2603
5	Jaivon	4T	1956
6	Paul	6S	1378
7	Fleur	5OH	1343
8	Cody	6S	1205
9	Connor	4T	1056
10	Bogdan	4T	926



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5OH	726	4T	304	6C	246	6S	135	3T	92	5I	57
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### Boom Reader



Class	Most Reads
3G	Raena
3T	Penny
4P	Leo
4T	x
5I	Alexandra
5OH	Matilda
6C	Zoe
6O	Thea
6S	Eli
<b>Weekly Class Winner</b>	<b>3G</b>

### Spelling Shed



Rank	Pupil	Class	Score	Total Score
1	Charis M	4P	12,230,622	57,409,334
2	Rhema A	3T	10,372,352	11,563,056
3	Alexandra P	5I	10,095,260	201,745,913
4	Tawfiq R	5I	9,521,223	20,941,767
5	Janelle O	3G	6,350,520	34,861,326
6	Raena S	3G	3,121,180	20,945,077
7	Charlie S	3G	2,413,289	11,060,733
8	Lincoln J	3G	1,285,170	1,925,676
9	Darcey H	3G	1,156,972	3,056,332
10	Izzy B	3T	1,052,730	2,503,724

## Chocolate Elf



**THE CHOCOLATE ELF**  
COLLECTING ADVENT CALENDARS AND  
SELECTION BOXES TO ENSURE EVERY CHILD IN  
HAMPSHIRE HAS SOME CHRISTMAS MAGIC

## CHOCOLATE ELF COLLECTION POINT

Thank you for all your donations of advent calendars and selection boxes. We are building up quite a collection. They can still be handed in to the office and will be passed on to Mrs Gregory who is coordinating with the charity to ensure every child in Hampshire has some Christmas magic this year. Our last collection date will be Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

### Dates for the Diary

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November: Y5 Bike Week

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November: Y4 Cinema Trip

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November: Y3 Cinema Trip

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November: Children in Need Day

Lower School Disco: 5pm – 6:15pm

Upper School Disco: 6:45pm – 8pm



Wishing you all an enjoyable and relaxing weekend,

Mr H  
Headteacher

