



A word from our head... We will include Remembrance in the newsletter next week, but the theme of thinking of others and reflection continues with the arrival of Charities Week. We hope you will support us in this once again as the DGS community always does so much for others and the pupils benefit from the week greatly. I'm sure you will join me in wishing all the participants in the Bebras STEM competition every success.

Dear Parents,

The Primary Team would like to welcome everyone back. We hope you all had a great half term.

Achievement Assembly

Congratulations to all the children for their hard work last half term. We celebrated their achievements in today's assembly.

Bebras Computing Challenge

This week students in the Juniors took part in the Bebras Computing Challenge. The challenge introduces computational thinking to students.

It is organised in over 60 countries and designed to get students all over the world excited about computing. Last November over 365,000 students took part in the UK, and over 3 million worldwide.

Each participant answers questions that focus on computational and logical thinking. The challenge spans from year 3 to year 13, and can lead to the Oxford University Computing Challenge- a tremendously exciting opportunity for students.

Last year 14 of our senior school students fell within the top ten percent nationally and went on to the OUCC. We are hoping that some juniors will follow in this success.



Meet our New Teaching Assistants

The Primary Team would like to welcome Ms Shone and Mr Lo Monico our new Teaching Assistants.



Charities Week

Monday - Monday is the turn of Primary pupils to bring cakes to go on sale at breaktime. There will be cakes on sale at



every breaktime with prices from 25p to £1. Primary pupils will be given an opportunity to visit the cake sale each day before going out to play. Please leave donated cakes in the hub. If cakes are home-made, please leave a list of ingredients. Please note we are a nut-free school. Please check the ingredients of shop-bought cakes too!

Odd Sock Day - children can wear odd socks for Anti-Bullying Week.

Movie Night will be held after school. Please note there is no rugby club on Monday.

Thursday - Y3-6 Sponsored Swim. All children will need their swimming kit.

Friday - Children are invited to wear non-uniform for Children in Need for a donation of 50p.

A Word from our Charities Prefect

I am selling advent calendars for dogs. They cost £11 and £5 of this will go to Tanzania. If you would like to order one, please send in money in a named envelope and give it to me or Mrs Genders. Nancy Y6



Key dates to add to your calendar

November

13th Start of Charities Week - see letter for details

Movie Night 3.50pm - 5.45pm - Please note there is no Rugby Club on Monday.

14th Flu vaccinations

17th Bag2School/House Art Due

20th Assessment Week

23rd Staff INSET day

24th Foundation Day - school closed

December

5th Primary Christmas Show - 9-10 am

Dress rehearsal/ Noisy performance

4-5pm - Performance in the hall

11th Carol Service at Derby Cathedral

15th Pantomime visit