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BROAD OAK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear all,

I would like to welcome you all back to school following the half term break, and hope that you all had an enjoyable time.

Last half term Pankhurst was the winning house in our house point competition. I am very much looking forward to seeing if the lead will change before we award the house cup at the end of term.

On Friday we held our first 'Always' assembly of the year. I was very proud to award over 60 badges to children who have demonstrated excellent behaviour and model our Core Values. Keep up the great effort!

As some of you will be aware Miss. Burgum has been absent from school for a number of weeks. She has undergone surgery at the weekend and is making a good recovery so far, however she will be absent from school for several months as a result. I am sure that you will all join with me in wishing a full and speedy recovery.

Parents' Evening is due to take place next week; If you have not made an appointment yet please speak to your child's teacher.

A pair of black Clarks shoes have gone missing from Reception; they are size 9 wide fitting in the colour black. The shoes had the child's name in. Can all parents please check that their child does not have the wrong shoes by mistake.

Finally, I would like to remind families that school is closed to pupils on **Monday 13th November** for staff training.

Best wishes,

Kevin Corteen

Headteacher.

Lost Property:

We currently have large amounts of lost property. This will be available in the main entrance of school to be reclaimed on **Tuesday 14th November** during Parents' Evening.

Could we also kindly request that families take time to name all items of clothing coming into school so that it can easily be returned.



This week we held our whole school remembrance service in advance of Remembrance Sunday. Some of our Y6 children read some of the poetry that they have been writing in class. Next week the Y6 children will be planting poppies in Didsbury Park and performing their poems at the Cenotaph.

A poem for the remembered!

In Flanders fields standing upon their graves,
Are Christian's crosses,
That mark their place, up in the sky,
As the poppies sway,
The Dead remembered forever and always.

England mourns for her dead,
Across the fields where colour lead,
Unaware of the decision they had made,
Young soldiers collapsed in vain,
Brave larks sing in the sky,
Amid the bullets that fly,
All at once and all the same,
The Dead remembered forever and always.

They mingle not with laughing comrades, they'll grow not old,
Their youth shall not age,
Crying mothers and victors lay awake, The Dead remembered
forever and always.

In Flanders fields standing upon their graves,
Are Christian's crosses,
That mark their place, up in the sky,
As the poppies sway,
The blood of our heroes will always remain. BY FARIYA ♥

We Shall Remember

We remember you, those in the grave,
Who fought for our country, day or day,
You gave up your lives for our peace,
But you still live on in our hearts, deep sweet,
We shall remember.

We caught your torch and it still does glow,
And we won the battle with the foe,
In Flanders field the poppies are red,
All in remembrance of those who are dead,
We shall remember.

By Aiysha

Children In Need:

Children in Need this year is on the **17th of November**. The theme



this year is **'do your thing'** children will be asked to donate £1 and dress up their own style on Friday 17th (Due to school trips Y1 & Y6 on Monday 20th).

We are also having a whole school spotty bake sale after school on the KS2 playground. The school council have decided to raise money for Children in Need

Anti-Bullying Week:

Anti-Bullying Week is 13th - 17th November. All children will decorate a badge with positive messages and pictures. The decorated badges will be swapped between classes in year groups. The children will be asked to wear the badges that have been swapped all week.



To mark the end of our Reception topic 'why do you love me so much?' We talked about why people love us and who we love. We then made cake pops to give to someone they love.



We have been contacted by the makers of The Great British Bake Off and asked to make parents and carers aware that applications are now open for the 9th series of the show. To apply, visit www.applyforbakeoff.co.uk or call / text: 07384 748 225. Applications close on Sunday 7th January 2018.

Holiday Requests:

May we politely remind families that requests for leave of absence must be made in writing to the Headteacher prior to any travel arrangements being made. If all children for whom leave is requested have attendance above 96.5% upto 5 days may be approved. Where attendance is below this figure, or where the requested leave exceeds 5 days (10 school sessions) a penalty notice will be issued to both parents. The full policy is available in the policy section of our school website.

Reception have been practising their counting in the learning areas by putting the right number of bears on the numbered tiles.



This week Year 2 spent time with Miss Trolley learning all about how to care for guinea pigs and set up their homes. We asked lots of questions and learnt many new things. Next week we're going to write instructions explain how to set up a guinea pig cage and display them around Toffee, Hairy and Fuzzy's area for everybody to read. We can't wait!



Attitude

Behaviour

Courage

Determination

Enthusiasm

Friendship

Resilience