10th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a reflective week, at Selwyn, as we have been thinking about Remembrance Day and what it means to us. We had our assembly, this morning, and the children were very respectful about listening to each other's poems, pictures and thoughts on remembrance. Our song about peace was beautifully sung as the children each held a tea light in their hand. Thank you to those families who shared pictures of people they knew who had been in the armed forces or fought in recent wars. It added to the children's understanding of the relevance of this act of remembrance.



In Fox class, this week, we have been focussing on phonic sounds and reading books together. The sense of achievement from reading sounds to reading books is such a joy in a school. Reading opens so many doors to helping make sense of the world. Well done foxes. Mrs Angell



Vulture class

This week, students have started creating their Mayan mask using papier mache pulp basing them on their designs of an event, battle or death mask. They have done some great budgeting with Miss Hunko in Life Skills, planning a week of balanced evening meals for 4, writing a shopping list and choosing ingredients wisely so they didn't overspend. In English, we have spent some time reading War Poetry, with some students writing contributions for our Remembrance Service. A very productive week! Mrs Bentley and Miss Hunko

Crocodile class

The Crocodiles have been so busy this week. As Remembrance Day is nearing we have been discussing the First World War and why we wear poppies and even written our own acrostic poems which were



AMAZING! We have begun to focus on our phonics sounds and all chosen new school reading books and I have enjoyed listening to all the children read to me. I have been really proud of the manners and kindness my crocodiles have been showing to others within and outside our own class and seeing new friendships blossom. Miss McInnes

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will be held on Tuesday 21st November. Teachers will be in contact with you to make a 15-minute appointment, which can be done online for convenience.

Final Thought

We have a new addition of a passing cat in recent weeks. The children have named the cat Selwyn and it appears often when the children are out at playtime. We have explained to the children that they can play with the cat but not touch it and they have been very respectful about this. Well done to all your children on a very positive week.

Have a good weekend. *Rebecca Pine Headteacher*



General School Information

Uniform

There is a school uniform for Selwyn Hall School which can be purchased from the school office. Prices are:

Polo Shirt: £8.25 Sweatshirt: £9.25 Cardigan: £10.25 T-shirt: £ 4.95

School Lunches

All children will be encouraged to have a school lunch and we will order them one every day.

School meals are free for all children at Selwyn Hall School. The menu can be requested from the school office; we are pleased to offer a choice of desserts as part of the meal options and salad and bread are also included as part of the daily meal options and are provided as standard.

There is also an allergen matrix for the menu choices per day.

Please talk to your children about the menu as we will be putting orders in every morning by 9.15am. Children will be eating their lunch with the adults in school at 12pm.

Thank you.

Term dates for the academic year 2023-2024

Autumn Term 2023

School Closed for Staff Training School Closed for Staff Training

Autumn Term begins

Autumn Half Term

Last Day of Autumn Term

Spring Term 2024

Spring Term begins

Spring Half Term

Last Day of Spring Term

Summer Term 2024

Summer Term begins

School Closed May Bank Holiday

School Closed for Staff Training

Summer Half Term

Last Day of Summer Term

School Closed for Staff Training

Friday 1st September 2023

Monday 4th September 2023

Tuesday 5th September 2023

Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October 2023

Wednesday 20th December 2023

Thursday 4th January 2024

Monday 19th to Friday February 2024

Thursday 28th March 2024

Monday 15th April 2024

Monday 6th May 2024

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024

Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th May 2024

Friday 19th July 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024