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# Newsletter

Dear Parents

It has been a busy week and we want to thank families for their generous contributions to our CAFOD Family Fast Day collection and our Feast Day collection for a new school banner. Thank you also for your support for the Walton and Hershaw Foodbank and for coming to our Harvest liturgies on Thursday and Friday.

Next week we are beginning an exciting project to commemorate the centenary of the Armistice at the end of World War 1. The "Peace Project," as we have named it, will give all of the children the opportunity to reflect on the theme of peace and we hope to make a lasting memorial in the form of a pair of large tiled "Peace" pictures to go on our walls outside the school (on the left by the office).

We are asking parents to make a contribution of £5 per child to fund ceramics workshops for all of the children in the school. Every child will make their own 15 x 15cm tile and these will be put together to form the two "Peace" pictures. The workshops will take place over the next two or three weeks and we hope to have the tile pictures up on the walls by the end of November.

The centre of each picture will have a quotation or a piece of scripture. We would love to know what parents views are about the quotes/ scripture we use. There is a vote on the school website to enable parents to have their say. Some options we are considering are:

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be Children of God."  
Matthew 5:9

"For our tomorrows, they gave their today." Kohima Epitaph

"If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone." Romans 12:18

"Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it." Psalm 34: 14

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you." John 14:27

"We will remember them"

"Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance." Jude 1:2

We would love to know what you think about which quotes we should use –or if you have any other ideas! The website vote will be available from Monday and we look forward to hearing from you!

Have a lovely weekend.

All best wishes.

Catherine Burnham

**HALF TERM—BREAK UP FRIDAY 19 OCTOBER**

We finish at 3.20pm next Friday for our half term break and return on Monday 29 October.

**CLUB CANCELLATIONS NEXT WEEK**

Please note that due to the Parent Consultation Evenings, the following after school clubs are cancelled—Environmental, Table Tennis, Irish, Cooking, Football, Printing, Judo and St Erconwald’s Singers will not be running. Please collect at 3.20pm. Thank you. Homework Club will not be running on any day next week.

**KS2 LUNCHES AFTER HALF TERM**

Full time lunches will be £89.70 and part time lunches will be £36.80 for next half term. Please be sure you let the office know if you are changing your child to or from packed lunches, full time or part time school lunches. You can do this via our website—please complete the online form. Thank you.

**GRANDAD WINGWALKING**

Thank you to everyone who supported our Grandad Wingwalking. It has raised over £120 which will go towards a school project. Thank you also to our very brave Grandad.

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone for your CAFOD, school banner and Foodbank donations this week. We will have the final collection amounts in our next newsletter and the Foodbank donations will be delivered next week.

**SAMARITANS PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES**

Please look out for information about this year’s shoebox collection which will be sent out on Monday. We hope you will enjoy getting these ready over half term.

**APPLICATIONS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

A reminder that the deadline for applications for Surrey County Council secondary schools is Wednesday 31 October. In addition to the Surrey CC application some schools, including Salesian School, require a further Supplementary Information Form. The deadline for both is Wednesday 31 October, although both recommend submitting before half term on Friday 19 October.

**ST ERCONWALD’S NIGHT OF LIGHT PARTY—31 OCTOBER**

A reminder of the family celebration of All Saints Day at St Erconwald’s on Wednesday 31 October. The Night of the Light Party runs from 5pm until 6.30pm! Come dressed up as a Saint (eg Mary or St. George), a figure from the Old Testament or simply wear bright colours. There will be games and lots of yummy treats, followed by 15 minutes’ prayer in the church to finish off. Please find more information on the attached flyer.

**REQUEST FOR BULBS**

After half term children will be brightening up the planters around the school and we would be very grateful for any donations of bulbs. We would like to get the planters outside classrooms in all year groups ready for a colourful spring. We also hope to plant bulb in the Prayer Garden. Thank you.