



# WEST KINGSDOWN NEWS

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## Children in Need



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It was wonderful to see the whole school wearing their own clothes today to celebrate Children in Need. This year more than ever, 2020 has so far been a year of uncertainty and rapid changes. However, there is one thing to be certain of, Children In Need is getting everyone fundraising and getting ready for the live appeal show this evening! There are lots of new appeals this year and the TV show will go ahead - but how will Children In Need be different this year? The charity has made it clear that even though things have changed, what it does hasn't - and coronavirus isn't stopping people from getting involved, in fact it's made them more creative!

In addition to supporting Children in Need, it was wonderful to see all the donations for The Community Cupboard, that we will take down next week. Food is going off the shelves faster than it is coming in and I feel proud that we are able to support a charity so local to us and supporting so many people in our village!

## Uniform

Despite the cold weather and mud, children should be wearing full school uniform every day in school. Your children should be wearing grey trousers or skirt, white polo-shirt or shirt and burgundy jumper or cardigan. Shoes should be plain black – trainers or boots should not be worn. Any hair accessories should be either burgundy or black and bows should not be worn. As a school community, we take pride in our uniform and being a part of the West Kingsdown Community. Please help us to achieve this by ensuring your child has the correct uniform.



## Mountain Biking

This week, Year 5 started mountain biking with Ollie Ireland from Live Biking. Ollie is an experienced biking instructor who has worked across a number of schools teaching children how to bike safely as well as have a good time! We have borrowed the bikes from St. Paul's for the term and can't wait to see the children progressing!



## School Gateway

Can we please ask all parents to download the School Gateway app. This can be used on either an android or iPhone device and allows you to communicate with the school in a quick and easy way through e-mail or text. Using this system means that as a school, we don't have to pay to send messages and therefore money can be spent on other things to enhance your child's learning! From January we will be using School Gateway as our main way of communicating with you so please start to use it! If you need any help with putting it on your device, please speak to Mrs Massey in the school office!



## Artist-in-Residence

Our new art studio is nearly ready to go and we are looking forward to welcoming Sue Salter into school as our Artist-in-Residence for the academic year! This is such an exciting opportunity for the children and the school and each year group will get to spend time with Sue in the studio between now and July! This is part of a plan to become part of the Room 13 charity. Room 13 International represents a growing network of student-run art studios in schools and community settings worldwide. The story of Room 13 began in 1994, when a group of students established their own art studio in Room 13, Caol Primary School near Fort William, Scotland. They ran the studio as a business, raising funds to buy art materials and employ a professional Artist in Residence to work with them. Each Room 13 studio facilitates the work of young artists alongside a professional adult Artist in Residence, providing an exchange of ideas, skills and experience across the ages. In Room 13, students are encouraged to take the lead, be creative, and to think for themselves. This very simple idea has been embraced by people all over the world. **We are looking for any scraps of material; plastic bottles or plastic bags you may have.**



## Celebration Worship

Class	Shining Light	Lunchtime Light
Sapphire	Kash T.G.	Jack R.J.
Topaz	Sharon B.	Niyazi P.N.
Crystal	Sofia S.	Teddy C.
Diamond	Barbara N.	Max R.
Emerald	Lucy L.	Annabel C.
Amethyst	Robert G.	Lily A.

'Let your light shine' Matthew (5)