On Monday morning we held our Remembrance assembly. This is usually held on the school playground so we can hear the church clock, but this year was held in the hall due to the rain! We showed the children a very moving video from the BBC of a soldier recounting his time at war during World War 1. It was very poignant as the video went from the elation of going to fight, to the terrors of the reality involved. The children, as always, were very respectful during the assembly, listening quietly and observing the 1 minute silence at 11am. The children then came forward to place the money they have brought onto our giant red poppy. The coins placed on the poppy amounted to £107.16. This money will be sent, along with the money collected from the sale of poppies, to the British Legion.

As part of National Maths Week, Mrs Loe took a group of Year 5 children to Linton Heights Junior School to participate in the ‘Largest Maths lesson in the world’. This was organised by Nrich Maths, and took the form of a webinar, where participating school signed into the lesson. The theme of the lesson was estimation, and the children were asked to estimate how many teddy bears would fill their classroom. Whilst it was certainly a challenge, it was fantastic to see the collaborative problem solving and thinking taking place. Miss Totterdale also participated in the lesson back in school too, so it was great to be able to compare the answers and strategies used. Well done Year 5 and Heron Class for their perseverance!

Next week, Year 2 will start their rehearsals for the Christmas Production. This year they are hoping to be able to perform on a brand new stage, kindly funded by the PTA. The dates for the production were published earlier in the year, but as tickets will be going on sale in the next couple of weeks, it is worth checking your diary to ensure the dates are correctly noted. Please see below to remind yourself of the parent and grandparent performances.

You may well also have realised that next May, the National Bank holiday in May has been changed so that the day coincides with 75th Anniversary of VE day. The Bank Holiday would normally be Monday 4th May but will be now Friday 8th May. The school will open on Monday 4th May, but closed on Friday 8th May.

Please can all parents make a note of the change of date for their diaries.

Thank you for supporting Children in Need today. We have raised £176,21 for Children in Need.

Reminders and dates:
- Otter Class assembly—Wednesday 20th November 2019
- Year 3/4 Maths Morning Wednesday 27th November 9.00-10.45am
- School closed for INSET—Friday 29th November 2019
- KS1 Production : Grandparent only performance—Wednesday 11th December 9.30am
  - Adult only performance - Thursday 12th December 6.00pm
  - Parent performance (Pre-school children welcome)—Friday 13th December 9.30am

Tweet of the Week
‘Our year 5’s and the #Heron year 4’s had a great time engaging with the Nrich Webinar today! So much great discussion and problem solving that I forgot to take photos- oops! Thank you
Infants
This week they have been learning to create fact families for number bonds to 10. The children have been exploring the relationship between addition and subtraction.

Foundation Stage have been sorting in different ways this week. They are finding this tricky so please practice it at home.

In English the children have been exploring non-fiction texts. They have learnt the features of the text and used them to answer questions.

Word of the Week: chronological

Year 3/4/5
This week in English the children have been planning and writing their biographies of Roald Dahl.

In Maths they have started work on multiplication. The children have explored arrays and patterns in multiplication. Please do encourage your child to continue learning their times tables and division facts.

Word of the Day: malodorous, apprehensive, eulogise

Year 5/6
Year 5 and 6 have been planning and writing their letters of complaint. They have been working really hard to use all their active and passive verbs!

In Maths they have been exploring BIDMAS as an order to complete operations. They have been using their new knowledge on the four operations to help them.

Word of the Day: abrupt, plunder

Stars of the week—

Butterfly Class: Mollie; Ivy;
Dragonfly Class: Laura; Emmeline;
Squirrel Class: Tianna; Edward;
Heron Class: Lily; Charlotte;
Kestrel Class: Owen; Jude;

Spider Class: Max; Amelia;
Otter Class: Victor; Matthew;
Kingfisher Class: Elena; Esther;