Lower Heath CE Primary School

Part of the **Marches** Academy Trust

Talking Heads

Friday, 14th November

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week at Lower Heath has been both busy and deeply meaningful, as we explored themes of kindness, respect, and responsibility across our school community.

We began the week by launching **Anti-Bullying Week**, an important opportunity to reinforce our commitment to creating a safe and supportive environment for everyone. Our younger children engaged thoughtfully with different scenarios, considering how they could respond to bullying in positive ways. Meanwhile, our older pupils explored the different roles involved in bullying – not just the ring leader, but also assistants and reinforcers. This was a powerful reminder that bullying behaviour can take many forms, and that we all share the responsibility to end bullying for good.

On Tuesday, we marked **Remembrance Day** with a moving worship led by Mrs Hipkins and the children. The entire school observed the two-minute silence with great respect, reflecting on the sacrifices made by others. Throughout the day, classes engaged in meaningful activities linked to remembrance – you can see more on Dojo and our Facebook page. A special mention goes to our talented Skylark writers, who shared their incredibly powerful pieces of writing with me; their words captured the spirit of remembrance beautifully.

Finally, we ended the week by supporting **Children in Need**, using this day to think about those who are in need and what we can do to help. These reflections tie perfectly into our One Voice Project – our Kindness Challenge - as well as our school motto: *Let your light shine.*

I am so proud of our school community this week. Through every activity, our children have shown empathy, thoughtfulness, and a genuine desire to make a difference.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us live out these values every day.

Helen Reynolds
Headteacher

CELEBRATION

Happy Birthday to:

Poppy, Mrs Ward, Mrs Hipkins and Tommy B who had their birthdays this week!

AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week's **Award winners**, who are:

Ryan, Alfie, Pippa, Matthew.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 25th November: Children in Charge Day
- 4th December: Christingle in School
- 8th December: Robin and Skylark Pantomime
- 9th December: 2:30pm Owl Class Assembly
- 10th December: 2:30pm Kingfisher Class Assembly
- 11th December: Robin and Skylark Nativity - Church (2-3pm)
- 12th December: Christmas Fair
- 16th December: 2:30pm Skylark Class Assembly
- 16th December: Kingfisher and Owl Carol Service - Church (6-7pm)
- 17th December: 2:30pm Robin Class Assembly
- 19th December: Owl and Kingfisher Pantomime
- 19th December: Christmas Parties
- 19th December: Break up for Christmas

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Just use the **easyfundraising app** and select our school as your cause. Every time you shop with participating retailers, a donation is made to our school — and it doesn't cost you a penny! It's quick and easy to set up. Just **scan the QR code** to get started.

Thank you for your continued support — every contribution makes a difference!

WORSHIP

This half term, our school value is **Thankfulness**, inspired by the Bible story of the **Ten Lepers**. In this story, only one man returns to thank Jesus after being healed, reminding us of the importance of gratitude. We'll be encouraging children to notice the kindness around them, appreciate what they have, and express thanks in their words and actions — helping them grow as thoughtful and compassionate individuals.

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