



## December Newsletter No.21



### Called To Serve– Cancer Research

As you may. Thank you to the children in year 6 for organising this event. We are extremely proud of them. They raised **£61** by doing a Penalty Shoot Out. Well done boys!

### Rights Respecting School: Report from Martins School

On Friday 4th October, the Rights Respecting ambassadors went to visit St Catherine's School in Barnet which is also a Gold Rights Respecting School. The children at St Catherine's took us on an exciting tour of the school. We saw all of the classrooms which were quite different from ours. The children were allowed to take their shoes off and they had bum bags with their school supplies inside. Some classrooms had beautiful fish tanks which were so clear that you could see the next door classroom through it. The children wore rights respecting badges. The children and staff showed rights respecting behaviour all around the school and they were very kind to us. We loved playing in their playground. We are the only 2 Gold schools in Barnet so we felt very proud of ourselves and are happy to share this with St Catherine's.

Year 3

### School Council

The School Council representatives have been busy this week selling poppies and other related items in the playground before and after school. We thank you in advance for your kind donations. 2019 marks 100 years since the first two-minute silence was observed on Armistice Day, 11 November 1919.



### **Rights Respecting School: Anti- Bullying Week**

As we approached Anti- Bullying Week we sent out a very important message in our newsletter.

As a Gold Rights Respecting School we believe...

Kind words. A friendly smile. A helping hand. Small changes have the power to make a big impact. By making simple changes, we can create a safe environment for everyone. At St Catherine's we believe... **Change starts here. Change starts now. Change starts with us.**



### **Odd Socks Day**

The KS1 children gathered for an assembly and KS2 watched the video released for this 'Odd Sock Day'. They heard an amazing song called "Change", especially for Anti-Bullying Week based on this year's theme Change Starts With Us!

**WHY IS ODD SOCKS DAY IMPORTANT?** The day sends an important message to people that they should be allowed to be themselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti- Bullying Week in a fun and positive way. The amount raised was **£195**.

### **Rights Respecting School- World Children's Day**



World Children's Day celebrates the power of children to change the world. This World Children's Day is extra special. It marks the 30th anniversary of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. On 20 November, we celebrate 30 years of children's rights and demand that every child has every right.

Children have their rights denied every single day. We want to build a world where every child is in school and learning, safe from harm and able to fulfil their potential and we know you do too. It's time to put children back on the agenda.

If you would like to find out more visit <https://www.unicef.org/world-childrens-day>



### **Happy Shoesday!**

We held our 'Happy Shoesday' on Tuesday 15th October 2019. We raised **£255!** Funds raised directly help Living Streets – the UK charity for everyday walking, to do work all over the UK, making our streets safer for all.

Why did we take part in Happy Shoesday? Well, walking to school is fun! And it's a great time for talking! Walking to school is a great time to talk to your family and they can find out about your day. Walking is a good exercise for us. Exercise is important because it helps to keep our bodies healthy and is good for our hearts, lungs, muscles and bones. Walking helps keep us fit and healthy, it can help wake us up in the morning and make us feel happy! If you walk to school then you'll be more alert when you come into the classroom and a lot more relaxed and ready to start your day.

### **Rights Respecting School 30 Years Old**

The Outright campaign this year celebrated **30 years** of the Conventions on the Rights of the Child. 1989-2019. **30 years** after its adoption, the UN **Convention** on the Rights of the Child (CRC) is the most ratified UN Treaty and has played a central role to improve the lives of children around the world. To celebrate this we are sending 30 Year Celebration cards to the RRS Ambassadors at Martins school. We are also going to make the school community aware of the 'Survive Past Five' UNICEF campaign.



### **RRS Ambassadors– Happy Birthday Cards**

the RRS Ambassadors had great fun designing 'Happy 30th Birthday' cards for the children at Martins School. We look forward to receiving our cards before Christmas.

**On 20th November 1989 something incredible happened.** Against the backdrop of a changing world leaders came together and made an historic commitment to children - they promised to protect and fulfil the rights of every child. It marks the 30th anniversary of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.



### **Noah's Ark Hospice: Fundraising Event – Called To Serve**

Thank you to the children from Class 5CM for organising a fundraising event today. They sold books, book marks and a number of different creative items in the playground.

The money raised will be given to 'Noah's Ark Hospice'. Thank you to everyone who contributed items or made items to be sold. Your thoughtfulness and positive contributions are gratefully received.

### **THEME OF THE MONTH: DECEMBER**

Our theme is **Simplicity**.

### **ARTICLE OF THE MONTH: December**

**Article 27**– Every child has the right to a standard of living that is good enough to meet all his/ her needs.



### **Save the Children: Christmas Jumper Day**

Thank you to everyone supported this event today. It was wonderful to see the children and staff embrace this opportunity together. The amount raised was **£271.00**

Thank you to the Rights Respecting Ambassadors for all their hard work term. It has been such a busy term full of opportunities for us to 'Make A Difference' at school and in our local and global community. We are proud of you all. We are looking forward to continuing our good work in the New Year.