

# CALSHOT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

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### Visiting Author

As part of our focus on developing a love for reading in school we had an author, Jimmy Wilkins, come to Calshot to talk about a book that he had just published. The children loved hearing about how the characters were invented and how the story was developed. The children can win a signed copy of the book by designing a new character for the story, entries need to be handed in by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

'I really liked it when I met the author, it was fabulous. My favourite part was when he said there was contest to name a jam. He was really entertaining, he was like a comedian. I really liked his book, therefore I hope I win the contest.' - Aanya (3B)

'Last week we were learning about the author Jimmy Wilkins. Surprisingly, he based his characters on his sister. I liked the cover design, I liked how it was illustrated. One I hope to be a famous author!' - Rayyan (4T)

'On Thursday, we got to meet a real life author! We were able to ask questions and read some of his book, he told us he hopes to have a new book out soon. We can also enter a competition to design a character which he may include in the new story.' Amarah-Jae (5M)

### Anti-bullying Week

Next week is national 'Anti-Bullying Week'. As part of our PSHE curriculum, classes will discuss bullying in all its different forms. The theme this year is **One Kind Word**. The idea is that the week will be about hope and the positive and kind things we can do to stop hurtful behaviour. On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> children will be able to wear **odd socks**, as the serious message behind the fun is: '**Lets pull on odd socks to show we're ALL unique and different, and let's be kind to each other and respect each other's individuality**'.

### Remembrance Assembly

On Monday Miss Atterbury discussed the importance of Remembrance Sunday in an assembly and she explained why we wear poppies to support service personnel and their families. On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> we observed a minutes silence to remember those who gave their lives to keep us safe.

'In assembly we learnt that on Remembrance Day we wear a poppy to symbolise the lives lost at war. To remember the soldiers who died and to show gratitude for all they did for us. We held a minutes silence on the 11<sup>th</sup> Of November.' - Zara (6H)

'In assembly we talked about Remembrance Day. We did a minutes silence, which everyone joined in. Remembrance Day is for the soldiers who fought in World War1 and 2. We did a minutes silence to show respect for the people who fought for us, so we could be free.' - Jake (6H)

### Reception Applications - Sept 2022

To apply for Reception places for September 2022, parents must visit [www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions) and submit an online application by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (final closing date). If you have any questions, please contact Children's Services on 0121 303 1888. Please note, **all parents** need to apply, even if your child is currently in our Nursery.

### 'Children in Need' Day

Next Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November is 'Children in Need Day' and the children are invited to come into school in non-uniform. The theme this year is 'Get Your Sparkle On!', so I'll leave that to your imagination! All children can wear non-uniform, if you wish to make a donation then you can. Any money received will go to Children in Need.

### School Fund

This week £18.60 was collected in School Fund this week, which is superb! May I take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have paid. It does mean we can buy those 'extra' things for the children.

Mr. M. Wingrove

(Head Teacher)

