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## Compassion in Action: Celebrating Kindness and Understanding This Week

This week, our focus is on compassion — the ability to understand and care for others. Compassion is at the heart of our school values. It means celebrating differences, supporting one another, and showing kindness in both words and actions. Through our activities this week, we aim to help children see that even small acts of compassion can make a big difference in our community and beyond. Thank you for continuing to nurture these values at home. Together, we can raise a generation that leads with empathy and respect.

Compassion



Mrs Berry

## Sock It to Bullying: Celebrating What Makes Us Unique!

### Anti-Bullying Week - Odd Socks Day (Monday 10th November)

What a colourful start to the week! Children came to school in odd socks to celebrate individuality and remind us that being different is something to be proud of & never a reason to be bullied.

This simple act sparked conversations about kindness and acceptance. Here are some of Year 5's fantastic odd socks!



## Children In Need 2025



This year, we're celebrating Children in Need with the theme: "Challenge Yourself to 25."

Each class received a golden envelope during Worship on Thursday, with a unique challenge to complete together; promoting teamwork, creativity, and perseverance while raising funds for this amazing cause.

On Friday, children will come dressed to school in **yellow or spots** to show their support and spread joy across school. Details of donations will be heading your way soon!

Look out for full photos and highlights in next week's newsletter!





# Remembering with Respect: Honouring Those Who Served



The whole school came together on the 11<sup>th</sup> November at 11:00am to observe a two-minute silence, honouring the bravery and sacrifice of those who fought and gave their lives in war.

This moment of reflection was marked with compassion and respect during our worship.

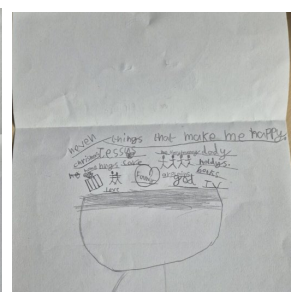
Children created beautiful poppies, engaged in meaningful discussions about the significance of remembrance, and joined in a thoughtful worship service that reminded us of the importance of peace and gratitude. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported the Poppy Appeal; your generosity helps those who have served and sacrificed, ensuring their legacy lives on through acts of kindness and care.



## Sock It to Bullying: Year 3 Gets Creative!

This week, Year 3 spent time learning about **anti-bullying** and how unkind behaviour can affect how people feel. Through thoughtful discussions, the children explored the idea that what we see on the outside doesn't always reflect what's going on inside.

To bring this learning to life, the class created stunning artwork illustrating this concept and even designed their own pairs of **odd socks** to celebrate individuality and uniqueness. Our leaving message was clear and powerful: **"Be kind, accepting, and inclusive."** The children summed it up perfectly with their motto: **"We win as a team, or we lose as a team."**



## Spreading Compassion Through Our Annual Angel Drop

As part of our commitment to compassion and community, we've begun creating beautiful angels for our Annual Angel Drop, ready to bring joy this December around our community.

These angels are more than decorations; they're symbols of kindness, hope, and care for those around us.

If you would like to support this heartfelt initiative, we'd love for you to join in! Please drop any handmade angels at the school office. Every angel helps us share a little light and love with our community this festive season.



## Deck the Halls with Raffle Goodies – Can You Help?

We are preparing for our School Christmas Raffle, which will be drawn on **Friday 12th December** after the Christmas Wrap. To make this event a success, we kindly ask for donations of raffle prizes or vouchers. Every contribution helps!

Please drop items at the school office or contact us if you can help. Your generosity truly makes a difference.



## Spreading Compassion This Christmas

From mid-November to early December, we're helping fill Santa's Grotto for the Calderdale Community Christmas Appeal with the Rotary Club.

This appeal supports around 20 local charities, ensuring children and young people from newborn to age 17 receive gifts during the festive season.

Showing compassion means thinking of others and this is a wonderful way to do just that.

We're asking for donations of unopened toiletries, nearly new toys, gloves and scarves, and any gifts suitable for newborn to age 12.

**Deadline for donations: Friday 21st November**

Please drop gifts at the school office. Together, let's put smiles on faces and make Christmas brighter for those who need it most.

