



**NSPCC**  
Speak out. Stay safe.  
**programme**

## Barnes Farm Junior pupils - Speaking Out Staying Safe



Earlier this week, the whole school took part in the NSPCC's "Speak Out. Stay Safe" virtual assembly which was hosted by Ant and Dec. The "Speak out. Stay safe" message was delivered in a fun and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot, Buddy. The pupils discussed different worries children generally might have and the importance of speaking to a trusted adult about anything that makes them feel sad,

scared or worried. They were also reminded that they can speak to Childline too as there is no problem too big or too small.

What a child says to Childline stays with Childline - unless they are really worried or concerned about their safety; it is free to call and the call won't show up on any bill.



## New Deputy Headteacher Appointed

The school is delighted to share that we have appointed Mrs Aimee Walker as the new Deputy Headteacher to replace Mr McIntosh who is leaving to take up headship at Baddow Hall Juniors in January. Mrs Walker will teach 4H (alongside Mrs Hollick) and comes with a wealth of experience. She is visiting us next Tuesday to begin her induction.

### Stars of the Week

20<sup>th</sup> November 2020



Autumn Term 2020



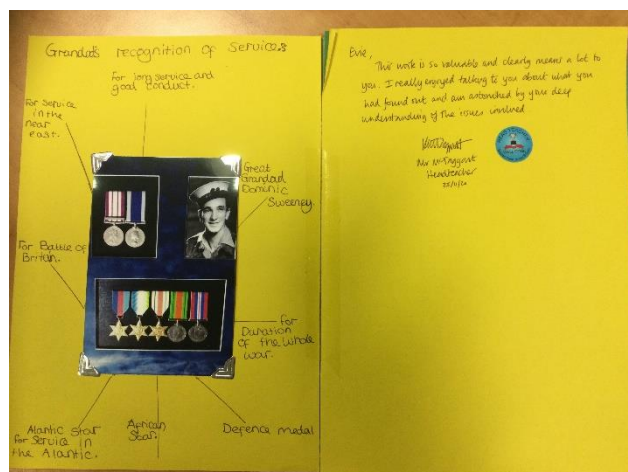
Y6 Mitchell Scanlan  
Y5 Sienna Tucker  
Y4 Jak Hector  
Y3 Alex Dickson

Zachary Gooch  
Maisie Beecham  
Penny Jacobs  
Pranshi Mittal

Rosie Chattey  
Zoe Rudd  
Toby Miller  
Finley Ing

## Y6 Home Learning

Evie Hughes in Y6 shared some fantastic home learning with her class and Mr McTaggart this week as part of their 'Is war ever worth it?' enquiry. She has taken the time to research the roles that all four of her great grandfathers played in World War Two. She was able to clearly describe what she had found out and how she valued their achievements. The work was also so clearly presented. Well done Evie - excellent historical research



## Christmas Lunch can now be booked!

Parents can now order a scrumptious Christmas lunch (complete with crackers, music etc) for their child for Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December via ParentPay. Orders need to be in by 4<sup>th</sup> December so that we can finalise numbers. Please contact the office directly if you are in receipt of free school meals and wish to order too.



## A Christmas Carol

This year, we have booked Chris Connaughton who will be presenting his much-loved version of A Christmas Carol online via Zoom on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December to all of our classes. As well as daytime performances for schools and venues, there are evening performances available for families to watch at home.



The production is particularly suitable for Upper KS2 audiences, or families with older children (suggested age 8+)

Tickets are available now through the Intext Performance website at [https://www.intextperformance.com/page\\_689752.html](https://www.intextperformance.com/page_689752.html)

## Covid-19 Protective Measures at BFJS

We continue to work closely with families, the council and local health protection agencies to provide protective measures during this lockdown. The local measures we are taking in school, including our detailed risk assessment can be found on our website [here](#) . Please inform us immediately if your child accesses a test so that we can get the most up-to-date and evidence-led guidance from our local health team.

## Year 3 Remote Achievements



In our online learning this week, Year 3 have been writing traditional Japanese haiku. Haiku poems are usually about nature. They have 3 lines and follow a 5-7-5 syllable pattern. The children were challenged to include figurative language in their poems, and many have been successful in using similes, metaphors, alliteration, onomatopoeia and personification!

Many children have also been able to split one sentence or phrase over two lines, which is no easy feat when you have to consider the syllables!

The Year 3 teachers and LSAs have been so impressed by the children's dedication to their learning over the last two weeks at home. We are all very proud of how hard the children have worked and how well they have adapted to online learning. We also want to thank parents and guardians for their support (including tech support!) during this time. That said, we are really looking forward to welcoming the children back into our classrooms on Monday!

From all the Y3 staff

<p><u>Stones</u> Small stones on the ground Ancient stones stand as giants Fossils hide inside. -Thomas Wilson</p>	<p><u>Nature</u> Snow is white diamonds blanketing the world in white. Ice trees reach for me. -Elsie Hodge</p>	<p><u>What am I?</u> Big eyes, snow white teeth, Golden coat, stone-crushing bite. Look at my sharp claws. -Oskar Lambourne</p>
<p><u>Winter</u> Ice on the houses Snow glistens like white diamonds Winter is magic! -Grace Holmes</p>	<p><u>Seaside</u> Crash! went the tall waves viciously clawing the sand, washing up sea shells. -Chloe Lambert</p>	<p><u>Seasons</u> Clocks back to dark nights Brown leaves crunching on the ground Cold frosty mornings -Joshua McElroy</p>
<p><u>Elephants</u> Elephants are big They are great grey creatures who Tussle with their trunks. -Daniel Marke</p>	<p><u>Nature</u> A huge tree is bent down by the weight of its fruit. Birds are pecking them. -Vishnu Balamuruges</p>	<p><u>Lepidoptera</u> Lepidoptera Bashful, fluttering of wings around Buddleia -Noah Hammond</p>
<p><u>Sky</u> The cotton wool clouds Sun is peeking its head through Waving to say, "Hi." -Sienna Snow</p>		