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Headteacher's Introduction

Dear all,

We have been focusing on our school values of Aspiration, Respect and Community this term and how we, as a school community, can help everyone to flourish academically, spiritually and culturally.

Through this work, our children have decided a new behaviour curriculum and also a new homework strategy which we think perfectly mirrors our school vision and values.

We hosted the House Captains elections this week too, with a whopping 14 candidates standing! The speeches were fantastic and also reflected our Christian values. Well done to everyone who stood - we are incredibly proud you all!

Mrs Durham

IMPORTANT

PLEASE NOTE NEXT WEEK THE FOLLOWING
CLUBS ARE CANCELLED

Monday 14th – Craft club Thursday 17th – Boomwhacker Friday 18th – Football Club



<u>Attendance House Winners</u> **Aspiration**

House Point Winners
Community

THINGS TO REMEMBER NEXT WEEK

Don't forget the Year 5/6 Football match at Stockton on the Forest on Friday 18th straight after school

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO FOOTBALL CLUB THAT DAY DUE TO THE MATCH



Harvest Festival



OUR HARVEST FESTIVAL IS HAPPENING ON THE 22nd october in Church at 2PM - all welcome

ALL Harvest donations to be in on the 21st october - Thanks

Reflection Corner

We have been investigating how we live out our values of Aspiration, Respect and Community this week. We have been thinking about the questions 'What does it mean to me and how can I demonstrate these values?'

'I can do all things through him who strengthens me' Philippians 4:13

Our attendance this week is: 93.%

The National Average is: 95.5%













Reception have been on a scavenger hunt this week. We looked for natural items such as twigs, leaves and feathers to make a comfortable nest for our owl. The children talked about how nests are a safe place for baby birds and that feathers and leaves make the nests nice and soft for them. We also used our listening skills whist playing hide and seek with Owl. The child who hid Owl, hooted louder when we got closer to it.

Acorn Class



KS1 have been thinking about how Harvest is a special time for Christians to say thank you to God. We then discussed how Christians might say thank you to God every day through prayer and by saying grace before and after meals. After sharing what we thought Christians should be thankful to God for, we had a go at writing our own grace prayers. What do you think?



Year 2/3 Next week we will be writing a diary entry in role as the main character from our class book 'Rainstorm'. To prepare for this, this week, we have group written and performed a voiceover for the story. We used percussion instruments to provide the sound effects for our voiceovers: the sea, the wind, creaking doors, running footsteps etc. The writing was amazing and the performances made it even better!



Year 4/5/6

Another fun filled week in Y456 saw us learning all about magnets (Y4) and air resistance (Y56) in Science. Y56 are mid-way through planning a parachute investigation in which they hope to find out whether the surface area of the 'chute affects the speed at which it descends to the ground. In Maths Y45 used counters and cubes to develop their understanding of squared and cubed numbers, whilst Y6 further honed their short division skills and recapped prime numbers. In topic we learned about some of the 2000+ Gods and Goddesses that were worshipped by Ancient Egyptians and in Computing we used Scratch to create a maths quiz program! In English we have written the most moving letters, in role as Edward Tulane, to his owner Abilene. Edward is full of regret and remorse, due to his ill treatment of her, and the children have shown great sensitivity and maturity in writing about such difficult feelings. Y456 have also written beautiful poems on the theme of 'Community' this week (see our staircase display next time you're in school!) and a selection of them will be performed at our Harvest service on 22nd October. We hope to see you there!



House Captain Elections





