

Everything we do, we do with love.
1 Corinthians 16:14.




BISHOP'S TACHBROOK C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter 19

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 **Worship this week...**

In worship this week we heard the fable about [frog and toad](#). They had decided to try to climb to the top of a tower at the bottom of the garden. Other animals heard what they were trying to do and exclaimed that they didn't think they could do it. They were being far from encouraging. But Toad was determined to get there and sang to himself 'I'm climbing to the top and I'm not going to stop!'. This positivity helped him to be successful. He didn't just encourage himself though – he encouraged Frog who also made it. We thought about how positive self thought really helps us to achieve our goals, along with avoiding any negative comments from people who say they don't think we can make it.



In Picture News the team asked us to think about whether fashion was important. We thought about the television program 'Style it Out' which gives young designers a chance to compete against each other in designing fashion that is made from second hand clothes. We need to think where our clothes come from and the bigger impact on the world.



UN Rights of a Child


As part of our education, we should be taught to live peacefully and protect the environment. Considering where we get our clothes from and what happens when we no longer need them can help us do this.



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Individual Liberty

We can choose what clothes we wear and what we do with them when we no longer want or need them. It is important to remember our actions have consequences, which can affect the environment.

Protected Characteristics



 Sex	 Sexual Orientation	 Age
 Disability	 Gender Reassignment	 Marriage and Civil Partnership
 Pregnancy and Maternity	 Race	 Religion and Belief

Our religion or beliefs can influence the clothes we wear. We should never be treated unfairly because of our religion or beliefs.



Calming a storm

The children in Reception really enjoyed thinking about the story from the Bible where Jesus calms the storm. They thought really carefully about how the characters in the story would feel in different points in the story. The children were able to use a range of different words to describe the feelings.

A group of children were inspired to draw their ideas about the story as part of their independent learning without being guided by their teachers. They captured the stormy sea really well and the boats bobbing on the waves. It was lovely that they were inspired to do this without being asked.

Well done, Ada, Ruby, Noelle, Iris, Hallie, Georgia, Lachlan and Jessie.





Chinese New Year

In Reception they have been learning about Chinese New Year and used careful folding to create some fabulous dancing dragons. They also thought about the story of the Great Race and used characters from the story to write number sentences linked to the number 6. They looked at how many animals were crossing the river and how many had already made it to the other side. They could then work out how many animals there were altogether.

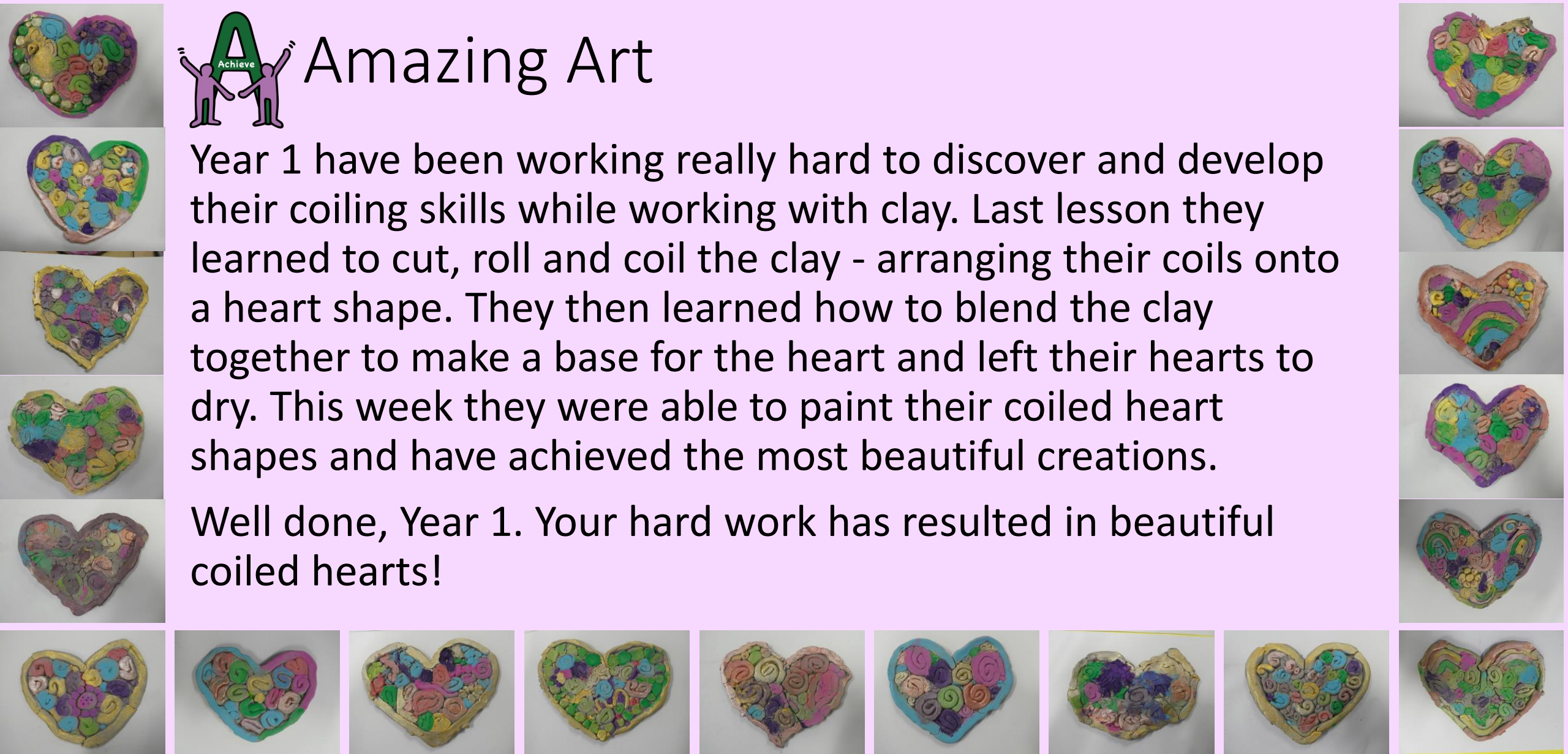




Amazing Art

Year 1 have been working really hard to discover and develop their coiling skills while working with clay. Last lesson they learned to cut, roll and coil the clay - arranging their coils onto a heart shape. They then learned how to blend the clay together to make a base for the heart and left their hearts to dry. This week they were able to paint their coiled heart shapes and have achieved the most beautiful creations.

Well done, Year 1. Your hard work has resulted in beautiful coiled hearts!





Loving reading!

Year 2 have started to read a book called 'Little Red **Reading** Hood' in their English lessons. Little Red Reading Hood loves reading stories and making up stories of her own. The Year 2 children found some comfortable spaces in school to read some of their favourite stories together. They discovered that reading was even more fun when you share a great story with some friends.

They would also like to say a huge thank you to their Year 6 reading buddies, who give up some of their lunch break to read with them as peer mentors. It is lovely to see the children sharing a love of reading and developing their skills together as a result.

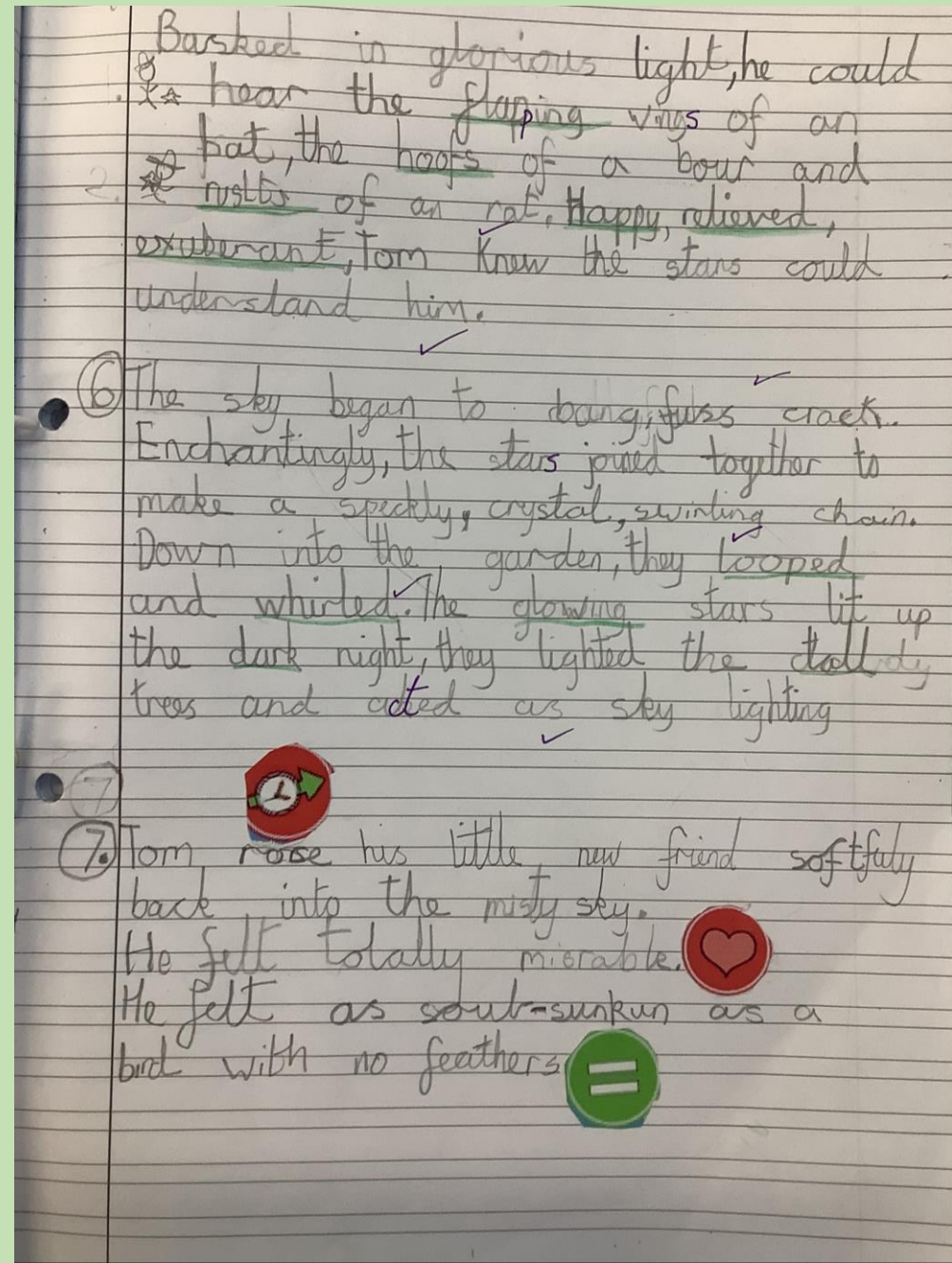




Imaginative ideas

Year 3 have been collecting and experimenting with different sentence structures to create different effects within their narrative writing. They have been encouraged to think about the impact different word choices will have on the reader in their stories.

Encouraging each other to find the best word to create the desired effect has helped their writing to be so descriptive and imaginative. Their use of similes was impressive too. Well done, Year 3.





Designing computer games

Year 4 have discovered that they can design and make computer games that help them to develop their maths skills. They used 2Calculate (a spreadsheet program) to generate maths questions using controls such as a random number generator, a timer and a hidden number button. After creating their own games, they played each others to test them out.



We can't wait to share the musical talents we have discovered with our parents on Monday in the Spring Music Celebration Concert!

The Year 4s have also been discovering the power of personification in their writing. They have created some truly imaginative examples and it will be exciting to see them being used in their writing later this term.

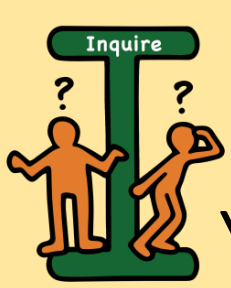




How can we separate a mixture?

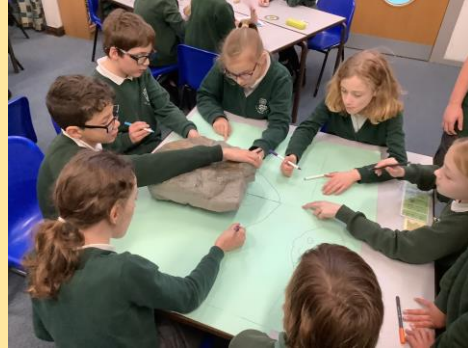
Year 5 have been learning about mixtures in science. They learnt about homogenous and heterogenous mixtures and worked in groups to sort different types into a table. Then they put their learning into practice. They were given a mixture of water, soil, sand and oats and had to decide which parts they thought they would be able to separate out. They were given a garden sieve to start off with, but they were encouraged to consider ways of adapting it to help to separate the mixture further. They discussed using a sieve with smaller holes and tried using some filter paper. They thought really carefully about how to solve the challenge. Well done, Year 5.





Evolution and Inheritance

Year 6 have been learning about the place of fossils in our understanding of evolution. On Friday, Nick came to school with his very large collection of fossils and the children were able to get up close and personal to dinosaur teeth, fossilised bark and even fossilised dinosaur poo! They were in awe of how old the fossils were and how much could be learned from them.



A giant ammonite!

One of the fossils that Nick brought with him was part of an ammonite. The part he brought was really big, but was actually broken and the original ammonite would have been at least three times bigger. The children looked at the part that had survived and attempted to draw the missing part to discover how big the original ammonite would have been and what it might have looked like. They used examples of smaller ammonites to help them.





Awards from home

We celebrated Lachlan's swimming skills this week. He has achieved his Stage 2 award which means his confidence in the water is growing and he is able to perform different floats and rolls. He has also been brave and taken off all floats to swim 5m by himself. He now knows he can do it and is keen to develop his swimming skills so that he can swim further and further. Bella and Sienna have discovered that they are not only good at dancing, but can tumble too. They have achieved their novice tumbling award – well done girls!



Awards in school

This week Isabelle came to share the most amazing piece of art work with me. She has been working on this piece for a long time, and has persevered to maintain the style and textures throughout. Her abstract art work is full of depth and colour and she was rightly proud of the effect she had achieved. The children who were in my office at the time were all in awe of how fabulous the effects were showed it to us. What a talented artist!

Well done, Izzy.





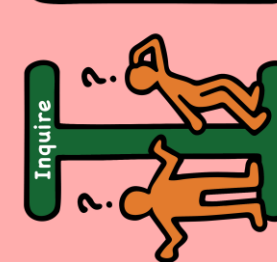
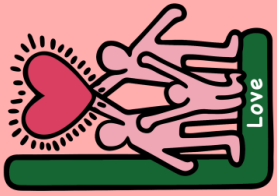
Team Tachbrook in Action

This week our Year 5 children competed in a dodgeball competition against other local schools, being placed 2nd overall and winning lots of stickers for teamwork, honesty and great sporting attitude. They were fabulous.

Darcey, Abraham, Maria and Joe also competed in a schools cross country festival. All of the children finished in the top ten in their races and were great ambassadors for Bishop's Tachbrook CE Primary!

Well done all of you.



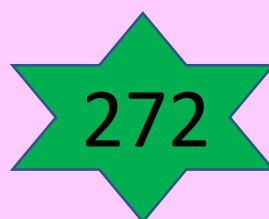
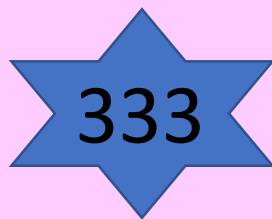


IDEALS time:

We are enjoying the new way we celebrate our IDEALS in school this term. The children are now given a raffle ticket by members of staff if they are seen displaying any of our IDEALS. One ticket per class is then drawn each week and the children are invited to come to enjoy a game, a glass of squash or water and some fruity treats on a Friday afternoon. We have played 'Pop up Pirate', card games and 'Labyrinth' so far.

Across school, all raffle tickets are counted and given as house points that will count towards the 'Wear What You Want' day at the end of term for the winning house.

Raffle Ticket Totals this term...



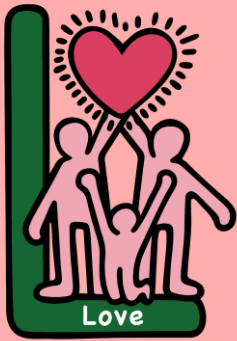


Spring Music Celebration



We are very excited to be holding our Spring Music Celebration on Monday evening (5th Feb) at 5:30pm. The children in Year 2, 4 and 6 have been learning music in class with visiting teachers from Warwickshire Music for this half of the year. They will finish their lessons this week. To celebrate the amazing achievements they have made in learning rhythm, chords and melodies – including reading written notation – we have organised a music concert for parents and families to attend. There will also be some performances by children who have individual/group lessons on keyboard, flute, recorder, guitar and brass.





REMARKABLE RECYCLING



In our school we have decided to not only recycle batteries and pens but to also recycle bottle caps. There is a company we will give the bottle caps to. In order to do this we are asking for your help. If possible could you bring in some bottle caps to school to be recycled. Help to save our planet and remove all the plastic from the oceans and beaches.

Isabelle, Fifi and the Eco council.



Dates for your diary:

- w/c 5.2.24 is Week B
- Fridays – Year 5 Forest School
- Tuesdays – Year 3 Swimming
- Mon 5th Feb – Music concert for parents (Y2, Y4 and Y6) 5:30pm
- Thurs 8th Feb – Chinese New Year - **Special Menu**
- Mon 12th Feb – Fri 16th Feb – HALF TERM
- Thurs 15th Feb – VIAM Half Term Camp (9am-12 noon)
- Monday 19th Feb – iSing Pop Workshop Day
- Wed 21st Feb – Sports Hall Athletics Y5/6 team
- Fri 23rd Feb – PTA Disco
- Thurs 7th Mar – Spring Learning Celebration 1
- Thurs 7th Mar – World Book Day – **Special Menu**
- Tues 12th Mar – Spring Learning Celebration 2
- Mon 18th Mar – iRock concert for parents 9:30 am
- Wed 20th Mar – Voice in a Million Concert (Wembley Arena)
- Mon 25th Mar – Fri 5th April – EASTER BREAK

Youth group at St Chad's Centre:

St Chad's Youth Group at St Chad's Centre is a safe space for children age 10 and over to relax together and have fun. The dates for this term are on the flier. Parents don't need to stay with their child, but will need to pop along to register them on their first session.

Any questions please contact Reverend Jonathan.

Sunday 4th Feb – 6:15-7:45pm St Chad's Centre.



ST CHADS YOUTH CLUB

Illustration of a blue megaphone, a blue clapperboard with a white diagonal line, a whiteboard with a yellow border and a pencil, and a purple leaf.

ST CHAD'S CHURCH

10'S-16'S SUNDAY NIGHTS

DATES- 21ST JAN

4TH FEB

3RD MARCH

17TH MARCH

7TH APRIL

21ST APRIL

TIME - 6.15-7.45PM

PLACE - ST CHADS CENTRE

www.stchadsbt.org

PTA notices:

Bishop's Tachbrook
C of E Primary School & Nursery

UNWANTED CHRISTMAS GIFTS?

The PTA are looking for unopened/unwanted gifts to put towards this year's events!



Donations can be dropped into school

Bishop's Tachbrook
C of E Primary School & Nursery



ORGANISED BY THE PTA

DISCO NIGHT

£3 Entry which includes sweets and glowstick

BRING YOUR OWN WATER BOTTLE



FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY
KS1: 5.30 - 6.30PM
KS2: 6.45 - 7.45PM
SIBLINGS IN KS2 CAN ARRIVE AT 6.30PM

You can now pre-pay for the disco online, email to follow

Well-being Website links

On the website there is a section called '[Key Information](#)'.

Under this section you will find information about [Thrive and Wellbeing](#) at Bishop's Tachbrook CE Primary School. Some parents mentioned in their feedback from the wellbeing questionnaire that they would like to know more about wellbeing at BT. This section is a great starting point, along with the information that was shared at the '[Meet the Teacher](#)' sessions in September for children in Year 1-6.

We will soon be introducing some 'Coffee and...' sessions on a Wednesday morning at drop-off time in the lodge. One of these sessions will be linked to wellbeing. We will let you know dates asap.





Stars of the week:

RB – Iris

RP – Mila

Year 1 – Monty

Year 2 – Isla

Year 3 – Maisy

Year 4 – Toby

Year 5 – Charlie

Year 6 – Daniel





Marvellous Mathematicians

RB – Grayson

RP – Isla

Year 1 – Anaayah

Year 2 – Molly

Year 3 – Logan

Year 4 – Jessie

Year 5 – Flo

Year 6 – Ellie





Head Teacher's star of the week:

Ada for discovering that she was brilliant at making a dancing dragon. She then encouraged other children by explaining kindly how to make one. She didn't make the dragons for the other children but enabled them to make their own by describing what to do with kind words. She has truly been shining in the Reception classroom this week. Well done, Ada!

