



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

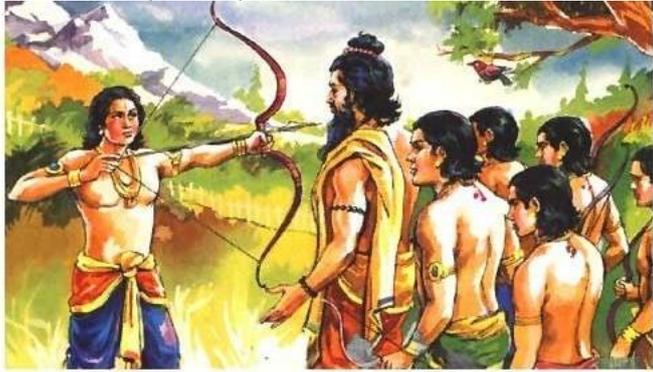


BISHOP'S TACHBROOK C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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In worship this week the children were thinking about resilience and not giving up when things became tricky. They [watched a video](#) and thought about how 'not giving up' linked to some of the other secrets of success, especially 'try new things' (even though they may be tricky).



On Thursday, KS1 worship was all about focus. We shared a Hindu story from the Mahabharata about a teacher called Dronacharya. He was teaching about the importance of concentration and focus. He had tied a clay bird onto the branch of a tree and asked his students to aim to hit the eye of the bird. When the first student prepared to shoot his arrow, Dronacharya asked what he could see. We thought about what we could see too. We could see the bird, the tree, the sky, the clouds, the teacher, the other students – we were very observant! But what Dronacharya wanted his students to focus on was the eye of the bird, as if they focussed only on the eye they were more likely to hit what they were aiming at. We used a fizzy drink and some straws to show what happens when we try to focus on too many things at the same time. If you want to find out more – ask any of our Year 1 or Reception children... We learned that to achieve, to hit our target, we needed to focus on it completely and avoid anything distracting us.



SPORTS STAR

This week Charlie shared his 'First Year Tackling' trophy that he had been awarded from his rugby team. Charlie plays for Old Leamingtonians RFC and has really embraced his chance to develop his rugby skills in his first year tacking as part of the game. He was able to explain to us what it meant to have developed the 'offload' to great effect in his game. He also explained what it meant to 'draw a player' – it doesn't involve any paper, pencil or art skills! Charlie had a broad smile while he was talking about his rugby skills, and we could see it is a sport he clearly enjoys. It will be great to see how his skills develop as he gets older. Well done, Charlie.



TEAM TACHBROOK IN ACTION

This Friday, our school football team were in action at home against St Augustines from Kenilworth. It was a tough game and both teams had some very skilled players. All of the children played absolutely brilliantly and with a great team spirit. They conceded a penalty, but didn't allow this to dampen their sporting spirit, and continued to play well together really showing 'encourage' as a team. In the final few minutes St Augustines scored a second goal meaning the full-time score was 0-2. We were so proud of the way that the children all played throughout the game. You all showed 'shine' so well.



FAMILY CORONATION PICNIC

This Friday (May 5th) in anticipation of the King's Coronation, we are going to hold a celebration in school.

The children are invited to wear red white and blue for the day. We will

be starting the day with a special Coronation Worship, where we will meet a member of the ABM catering team who, until very recently, was chef to the Queen (and the Queen Mother before her). He has spent lots of time with King Charles and the family and will be sharing some of his stories with the children. The children will also be completing a range of different activities throughout the day. ABM are offering a special Coronation Lunch menu that is 'afternoon tea' in style. We sent a message asking parents to indicate if they would like their child to share the special lunch menu on Friday with us. We would also like to invite all parents and carers, younger siblings (and grandparents if they would like to attend), to join us on the school field so that we can celebrae together in a family picnic from 2:30pm. We will have some cricket games set up ready to enjoy if people would like to, too. Please bring a picnic blanket, or chairs, and some edible treats. If you are not able to join

us for the picnic, please can you send some snacks for your child to enjoy with their friends before they join in with the games with the other children.



NEW MEMBERS OF BT SCHOOL

Mrs Rhodes and a team of helpers from across school decided to create some new members of our school community to join us for the village Scarecrow trail. Mrs Wyatt donated lots of straw and they busily created four new scarecrow children who will welcome us to school each morning at the gates on Underhill Way. Please give them a wave as you walk past – but please don't touch them. Wee would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Rhodes and everyone who helped to create the characters. It is great to be involved in the village scarecrow trail to raise money for Annabel's charities of Birmingham Children's Hospital and The Fluency Trust. There are lots of scarecrows around the village for you to meet – you can buy a map outside 17 Church Lees, 18 Oakley Wood road, 21 St Chad's Road and 7 Kingsley Road. The scarecrow friends will be on display from 1st-8th May. Have fun finding them all!

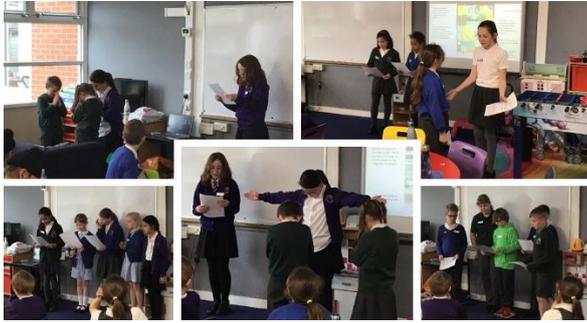


RE CONFERENCE

Last Friday a group of children from KS2 travelled to Radford Semele CE Primary School to take part in the second of three RE conferences. The focus of this conference was to consider the big story of the Bible through working with the Understanding Christianity Frieze. The morning started with lots of ideas being gathered and shared about key moments in the Bible – and the children spoke very confidently about their thoughts with the children from other schools.



They then took one of the many stories from within the Bible and literally brought it to life through reading and drama. It was so good to see the children from different schools working together so well.



Taylor, Isabelle, Jacob, Priya, Darcey, Izzy, Chloe and George – you all showed 'Shine' so fabulously throughout the conference and we are really proud of the way that you represented the school so knowledgeably and thoughtfully. Well done!



We will be welcoming the children from Radford Semele and St Margaret's to Bishop's Tachbrook later this term.

SUPERHEROES IN RECEPTION

Following on from their enjoyment of 'Supertato' last week, Reception have been investigating ways to help 'The Runaway Pea' this week. They have shown great teamwork, encouraging each other to help to make trails for the pea both in the classroom and outside. Their enjoyment of the stories has been so clear, and they have even been planning and writing their own adventure stories. Well done, Reception!



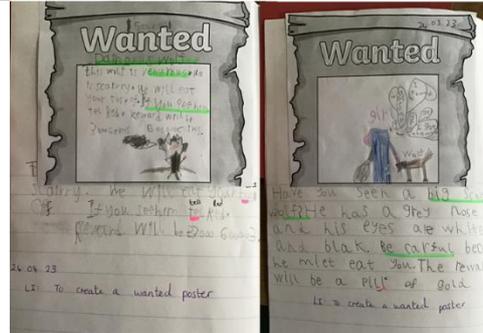
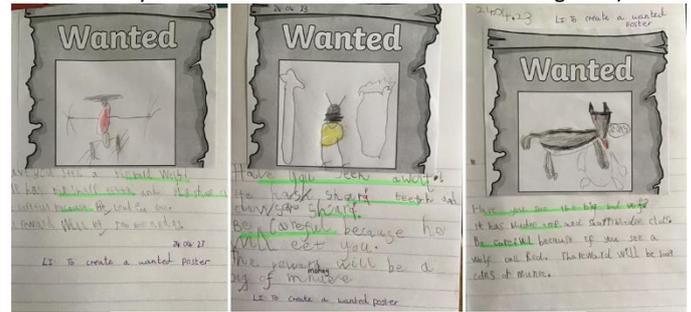
IMAGINING YOURSELF IN A STORY

Year 3 have been thinking about the story of Red Riding Hood, and this week they brought the story to life through some drama work. At the end of the story, the woodcutter is faced with the wolf, and the children were challenged to imagine that they were the woodcutter, and were asked to consider how he might feel and what he might do in that difficult and somewhat scary situation. The children had some fantastic ideas and were able to think more deeply about the character in the story as a result. Well done, Year 3!



IN SEARCH OF THE BIG BAD WOLF

It hasn't just been Year 3 looking for the Bog Bad Wolf this week – Year 1 have also been looking for him. They have been thinking really hard about what he is like as a character, and decided that he was too dangerous to be left free. They created some fabulous 'Wanted!' posters, and are offering a huge reward. (Maybe some Year 3 children will be able to claim the reward if they are successful as a woodcutter in catching him!)



ST CHAD'S YOUTH GROUP

A quick reminder for all Year 6 children, that St Chad's Youth Group is open from 6:15-7:45pm this Sunday (30th April) for the usual fun and activities and some additional Scarecrow building opportunities. Reverend Jonathan will be happy to welcome you all to the club – everyone in Year 6 is welcome to attend.

DISCOVERING HOW TO PREPARE FOOD

Year 1 have been thinking about how food is prepared before it is ready to be eaten this week. They have investigated different techniques; slicing, chopping, peeling, mashing, grating and tearing. They worked so safely with really sharp equipment and understood the importance of having adults nearby when using any kitchen equipment. They really enjoyed eating the food that they had prepared! Well done, Year 1.



Stars of the Week

- Reception: Piper
- Year 1: Evie
- Year 2: Olivia
- Year 3: Dylan
- Year 4: Connor
- Year 5: Hollie
- Year 6: Alby



Mighty Writers

- Reception: Anaayah
- Year 1: Logan
- Year 2: Alice
- Year 3: James
- Year 4: Ava
- Year 5: Ellie
- Year 6: Ethan



Kids Club - Clubs on offer this term:

Monday

- Performing Arts- Wizard of Oz- All 3:15- 4:30
- Cricket and Striking Games – Rec and KS1 3:15 – 4:30

Tuesday

- Climb and roll – Rec and KS1 15:15 – 4:30
- Climb and roll KS2 – 16:30 – 17:45

Wednesday

- Girls Football – KS2 3:15- 4:30
- Football -KS2 3:15- 4:30

Thursday

- Football – Rec and KS1 3:15- 4:30
- Cricket – KS2 3:15- 4:30

Friday

- Athletics – KS2 3:15- 4:30

To enrol your child on one of the clubs go to:

<https://btkidsclub.onsideline.co.uk/home/>



Secrets of Success Champions

Ruari, Logan, Leon, Edith, Charlie, Jai, Harriet



Head Teacher's Star of the Week:

Cleo for welcoming so many visitors to Year 1 over the past few weeks with a huge smile and lots of energy. She confidently shared what the children were learning about and answered any questions thoughtfully. You really did 'shine' Cleo – thnk you.

C. Kilbey

Mrs C. Kilbey
Head Teacher

Dates for your diary:

- Monday 1st May – Bank Holiday
- Friday 5th May – Coronation Picnic with families at 2:30pm
- Monday 8th May – Bank Holiday
- Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th May – KS2 SATs week
- Tuesday 16th May – Swimming starts for Year 4 and Year 6 non-swimmers
- Monday 15th May – PTA non-uniform for raffle prizes.
- Friday 19th May – PTA Garden party (non-uniform for cakes)
- Monday 22nd May – Building work starts in school
- Wednesday 24th May – iRock assembly in school
- Friday 26th May – INSET Day
- Wednesday 7th June – Year 1 trip to St John's Museum

BUILDING WORKS AT BT SCHOOL

As you are aware, we will be welcoming 60 children in Reception this year instead of our usual 30. They will be staying with us for their 7 years of primary school and we will therefore need a new classroom to accommodate the additional children. A beautiful 'lodge-type' classroom is going to be built where the trees have been removed, near to the current KS2 equipment. **We have now been given a start date for the building work, which is 22nd May.** From 22nd May, parents will therefore not be able to access the school site through the 5 bar gate on Kingsley Road. All families will need to come through the gate near to the Year 5 and 6 classrooms, or the gate at the top of the field on Underhill Way. There are parking spaces available on Underhill Way for parents who would prefer to access school from that gate. While the contractors are aiming to avoid drop off and collection times, we would advise that, if you drive to school, Underhill Way will be your best option as Kingsley Road will be busier than usual due to the building works. Reception parents will need to collect the children from the same door that they drop off at in the morning from 22nd May please – next to the cloakroom area. Thank you all for your support as we work with the contractors to enable us to safely prepare to welcome the additional children in Reception.

Fun Fact:

Wolves can shape the ecosystem and physical geography of the land they live on. When wolves were reintroduced into Yellowstone National Park in '95 after a 70-year absence, trees grew faster, animal populations increased, and rivers even changed their behavior because new vegetation helped reduce erosion.

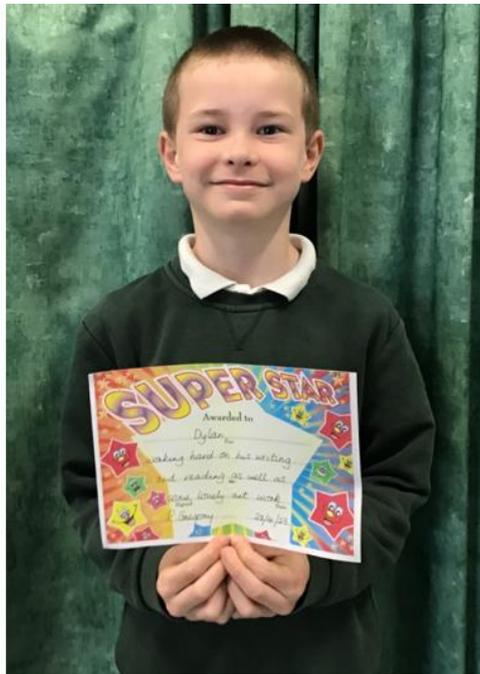
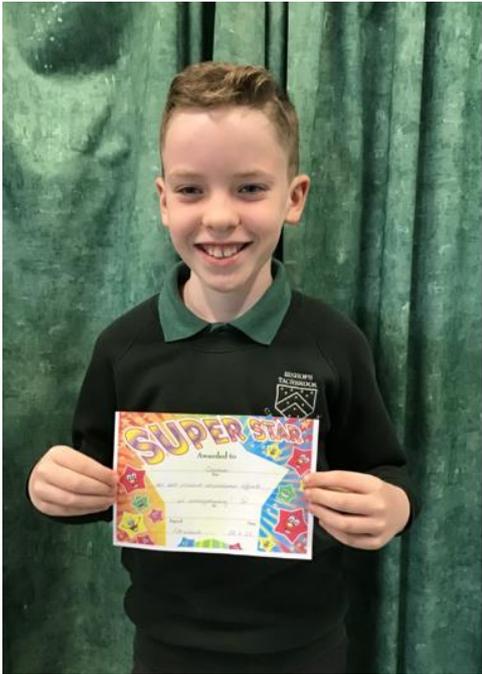


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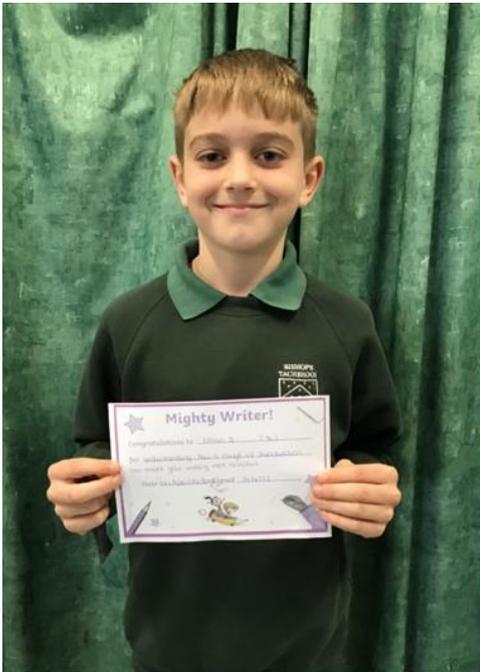
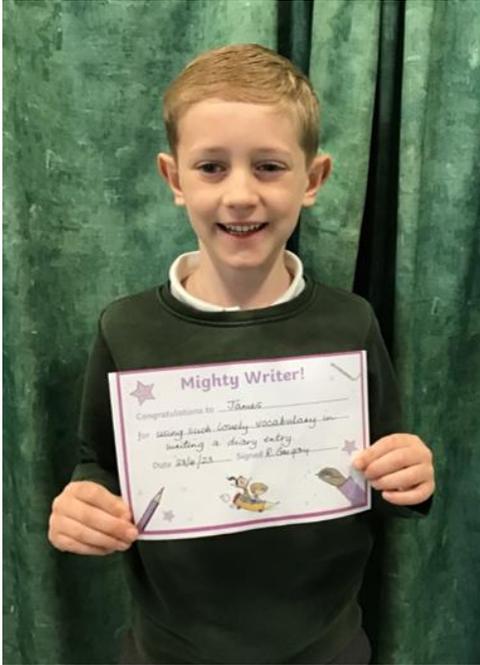
venomous

Sam replied with a **venomous** glance.

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MIGHTY WRITERS



SECRETS OF SUCCESS CHAMPIONS



AMAZING ADVENTURE WRITING IN RECEPTION

