

BISHOP'S TACHBROOK C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL Friday October 20th 2023 Newsletter 7

Everything we do, we do with love 1 Corinthians 16.14



In Collective Worship this week we have been looking at the story of Desmond Tutu and the very mean word. In the story he had a new bike and he was enjoying riding it until some boys said a mean word to him. The mean word lingered in his mind until he told someone he had trusted

about it. Despite the fact that he was given advice he still wanted revenge. He said a mean word back to the boys. He felt so sad about saying the word and asked the trusted person about why and the trusted person said that when you say something bad you don't feel good about it. When he saw the boy who had said the mean word in trouble, he realised that life was tough for both of them. They were able to forgive each other and both felt better.

Reverend Jonathan came this Wednesday to talk to us about the fruit of the sprit and the importance of your feelings and actions to make our school a colourful school and not a grey boring one.



On our picture news this week we have been talking about the great sycamore tree being cut down. It was around 300 years old and was in Hadrian's Wall. The tree was a popular tourist destination, with lots

of people thinking it was particularly beautiful. It has even appeared in films! Now it has gone we thought about how we can remember things that were important to us.



By Daniel and Sachin

ENJOYING A GOOD BOOK We have introduced 'Drawing Club' this year at school,



and the children across school are enjoying sharing a story with each other at the end of each school day, thinking about vocabulary that they might find in the story and drawing their ideas linked to the story they are reading. Usually the teacher reads to the class, but this week in Year 1 Harry asked if he could share a story he loves with his class mates. He read 'The Gruffalo's Child' to the children in Year 1 with such confidence and great fluency. Well done, and thank you, Harry!





WHERE IS THE SHADOW?

Year 3 have been invstigating where the shadow is when they are sketching using the lamps and some licquorice allsorts. They looked really carefully at where the light was shining from and what shape the shadows were as a result. They thought about how light and dark the shadows were and worked

really hard to sketch the shadows into their observational drawings. Well done, Year 3!





Can you work out where the light source was shining from in their sketches?



CUBIST COLLAGES Year 5 have been learning about cubism in art, and have extended their observational sketches of the guitar linked to

Cezanne's work. They have now created a collage in a cubist style of a similar still life including a guitar as the main subject. Their work is extremely creative - well done Year 5!

WHEN DID IT HAPPEN?

Year 6 have been learning about the events in World War I. They were able to retrieve knowledge about the war that they had learned previsouly to complete a set of cards that told some of the major events of the war. They then ordered them, thinking about events that led to toher events happening, and events that occurred as a direct result of things in the past. They showed great retrieval of knowledge, as well as fabulous collaboration and discussion of ideas.



HAVE TOYS ALWAYS LOOKED THE SAME?

Year 1 have been learning about toys in the past. They



were able to look at toys from a long time ago, and a very long time ago. They thought about what the toys were made out of, and enjoyed exploring toys that their grandparents, and great grandparents may have played with. Mrs Power shared some bears that her mum had knitted for her when she was a little girl ' a long time ago'...







SCHOOL WEBSITE TOP TIP OF THE WEEK

A quick way to get in touch with school is by using the 'Contact Form' in the Contact Us section. Communication completed on this form will come to the admin3141@welearn365.com email account.



SIMS PARENT APP



School is going to be using SIMS Parent App so that any changes to your personal information, or information about your child can be made easily – without having to complete paper forms.

The app needs to be downloaded from the App store. We will soon be sending an invite to enable you to register. When registered you will be able to update your children's contact details, medical information and dietary requirements amongst others. (If your child's dietary requirements do change, please also inform

ABM separately so that we can be sure to meet their needs with our school meal provision.)

AWARDS FROM HOME

This week we celebrated lots of awards from home. On Monday, Sienna bounced into my office with the biggest smile. She had competed in a dance festival over the weekend in Coventry. This

was the first time that she has competed as a soloist and managed to finish 3rd in a group of 12 dancers. We have seen her perform tap dancing, and know about her ballet work with the Royal Ballet in Birmingham, but this time she was performing in a modern and acrobatic dancing style. Well done, Sienna.





Cleo has also been dancing, and was awarded a medal as she has developed her skills so well that she is now able to move up to the next squad in her dancing group.

Sophia and Abi have had lots of fun completing an extremely difficult challenge. They have run 5km, which is a very long way, but also as part of the course had to climb over some inflatable obstacles. They explained how being small meant that they found the spiders web obstacle easier as they could keep low, but some of the



other obstacles really tired out their legs. Well done, girls!



Lottie has been developing her swimming skills and has now achieved her Level 2 certificate and badge. She is getting so good at swimming that she is beginning to show signs of turning into a mermaid! Well done, Lottie!

Charlie played a fabulous game in goal for the school football team last week. This week, he was playing as a striker for his team outside of school and managed to pick up 'Player of the match' for his goal scoring and fantastic play. Well done, Charlie!





This week Albert attended a ceremony to celebrate him officially being recognised as a British Citizen. He really enjoyed his special day. Well done, Albert!

Alice brought a sports day trophy from the Rainbows group that she belongs to. She wanted to celebrate the successes of sports day with all of her friends who also go along to Rainbows. Well done, girls!



ATTENDANCE MATTERS YOUR CHILD WOULD HAVE LOST IF YOUR CHILDS ATTENDANCE RING THE SCHOOL YEAR APPROXIMATELY. 50 LESSONS WAS 95% 9 DAYS FROM SCHOOL 100 LESSONS WAS 90% 19 DAYS FROM SCHOOL **150 LESSONS** WAS 85% 29 DAYS FROM SCHOOL 200 LESSONS UAS 80% **38 DAYS FROM SCHOOL** 250 LESSONS **48 DAYS FROM SCHOOL** WAS 75% PLEASE ENCOURAGE PUNCTUALITY TO MAINTAIN SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD DOESN'T MISS OUT

Dates for your diary:

Tues 24th Oct – Learning Celebration Thurs 26th Oct – Year 3 to church HALF TERM – Mon 30th Oct – Fri 3rd Nov Thurs 16th Nov – Year 2 to church Wed 22nd November – Year 5 Space Centre Trip Thurs 30th Nov – Year 1 to church Thurs 13th Dec – Reception Christingle Journey in school Wed 20th Dec – Christmas Service at St Chad's

VISITING CHURCH

This term, every class will visit St Chad's Church to share in a 'journey' together. This term – they will be going on a Harvest Journey. If any parents are able to support with walking the children to church we are always very grateful.

<mark>We will be walking down at 9:45am.</mark> Year 3 – Thursday 26th October

Year 2 – Thursday 16th November

Year 1 – Thursday 30th November

Whole School Christmas service at St Chad's – Wednesday 20th December

Reception children will complete Christingle activities in school on Thursday 14th December. We will need a few parents to support the activities in school if possible.

Please email <u>admin3141@welearn365.com</u> if you would like to support us on any of these dates.

KIDS CLUB UPDATE

Kids Club have a huge range of activities to offer children after school. There are lots of sports clubs and a computer club that the children can attend, and in the lodge there are so many opportunities for the children to be creative, with cooking and art, as well as a chance to just relax and play with their friends. (There is often a rather delicious smell coming from the lodge as different delicious goodies are baking!) Here are some examples of the activities they have been completing recently...



Kids Club are offering activities throughout the half term break, and there are still a few spaces left. If you would like your child to join in, please sign up through the Kids Club website.





Marvellous Mathematicians:

Year 1 – Dylan Year 2 – Mollie Year 3 – Oscar Year 4 – Imogen Year 5 – Zak Year 6 – Daniel





HEADTEACHER'S STAR OF THE WEEK

Albie for always greeting me with a smile and a cheerful 'Good Morning' or 'Good Afternoon'. He also stopped me to comment on his enjoyment of the school song that we are learning in school at the moment. He has truly brightened each day, and I look forward to bumping into him in the corridor or out on the playground. Thank you, Albie.

Killey Mrs C. Kilbey

Head Teacher

The world's best selling toy is the Rubik's Cube. Over 350 million cubes have been sold - 200 million between 1980 when it was first introduced and 1983. The patent expired in 2000 leading to a number of new cube concepts.







Stars of the Week:

Year 1 – Toby Year 2 – Isla Year 3 – Olivia Year 4 – Sam Year 5 – Max Year 6 – Joe