



# BISHOP'S TACHBROOK C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Friday October 6<sup>th</sup> 2023

## Newsletter 5



This week in collective worship we found out how we were going to make a school banner with some help from a lovely lady called Mary Taylor who owns a company named Crazy Mary Crafts.

On Tuesday Mrs. Pepin read us the story of Badgers Bad Mood so we could think about ways to cheer up friends and why you might feel sad.

Our Harvest Worship was led by Year 5. They shared some facts, read some Bible verses, performed a drama and played the chimes for us! We all sang the harvest songs that Mrs Rhodes had taught us.

In Picture News Worship, Darcey and Alice created a school record with the most passes in 30 seconds having 36 passes. Would you like to try to break a world record and can anybody break one?

Fun Facts!

The most care bears collected is 1234 with an estimated worth of over £100,000 !  
By Daniel and Sachin



### PUPIL LEADERSHIP

This week we appointed our new pupil leaders. After many of the Year 6 children wrote some fabulous letters to apply for the position of Head Boy and Head Girl, we shortlisted eight children based on their letter and staff recommendations from previous years in their school journey. Mr White, our Chair of Governors and Mrs Kilbey then chatted to the children to help them to decide who would represent our children as pupil leaders this year.

It is with great pleasure that we are able to introduce you to our new Head Boy and Head Girl – Sachin and Ellie.



They will be very ably supported in their roles by our new Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl – Albert and Willow.



### SCHOOL BANNER PROJECT

On Monday, Mary supported all of the children in KS2 to create part of our new school banner. Everybody was involved with the sewing or printing, and we are really excited to find out what the banner will look like. It will be proudly displayed alongside our previous school banner in the hall and taken on special visits.

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents that came to help – we couldn't have done it without you!



### HARVEST WORSHIP

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who brought Harvest gifts to school this week. The Warwick Foodbank will receive the gifts this week and they will be gratefully received by people in our local community.



### LIFE IN THE STONE AGE

The Year 3 children have been learning about life in the Stone Age in their history work, and this week were challenged to consider how people moved stones around without lorries. They worked with Mr Gardner outside to think about how teamwork would have enabled the people to transport heavy objects. They displayed great teamwork themselves – encouraging each other to be part of the team to make sure their transport system worked.



### TASTY PHONICS

The most delicious smell was drifting down the corridors from the learning zone this week. The Reception children were learning about the sound 't' by toasting terrific tasty toast. They could spread the toppings totally tremendously too!



### MUSICAL MOMENT

Year 2 have started their musical journey with Mrs Owen this year and have been thinking about rhythms. This week took them to South Africa and they learned the power of listening to each other and moving in synch with each other to create fabulous rhythms with their wellies on. Their style of music is 'Gumbboot Dancing' and reminded me a little bit of the group 'Stomp'. The children were extremely hot as it took a lot of energy to be able to perform – but their energy and enthusiasm was fabulous!



### READ ALL ABOUT IT

Year 4 have been enjoying their class text 'The Butterfly Lion' and this week were busy creating a recount of part of the story in the form of a Newspaper report. The laptops were supporting them to write in columns so that their work looked just like a newspaper report. I wonder which features of newspaper reports they used? Why don't you ask them...



### AWARDS FROM HOME



Phoebe brought her medal and certificate to share with us this week. She took part in the summer reading challenge and managed to read ten books through the summer break. Her eyes sparkled as she shared her award, and she was rightly proud of her fabulous achievement. Well done, Phoebe.

Dylan also shared his most recent swimming certificates with us. He has achieved his Level 2 award for swimming, but also his 5m swimming badge. This swimming badge is possibly the hardest to achieve, swimming without any floats for the first time. You're a star, Dylan. Well done!



### TEAM TACHBROOK IN ACTION

We have had two sporting teams in action this week. The Year 3/4 girls took part in a Football Festival on Monday. They played some games against girls from other schools, and were also took part in some football coaching drills. Mr Gardner and Mr Cullinane were so impressed with the improvements that they made in their football skills over the course of the festival. Well done girls!



Year 5 took part in a Hockey Tournament on Friday morning. They played extremely well as a team and managed to finish 4<sup>th</sup> out of the 24 teams who attended. Again, their encouragement of each other and focus and determination were commented on by the referees who were watching them play. Well done, children!



### Dates for your diary:

- 9<sup>th</sup> October – Open Afternoon for new Reception families Sept 2024 1:30-2:30pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> October – Open Evening for new Reception families Sept 2024 4:30-5:30pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> Oct – Open Morning for new Reception families Sept 2024 9:30-10:30am
- 13<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 4 to church
- 26<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 3 to church
- HALF TERM – Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov
- 16<sup>th</sup> Nov – Year 2 to church
- 22<sup>nd</sup> November – Year 5 Space Centre Trip
- 30<sup>th</sup> Nov – Year 1 to church
- 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Reception Harvest Journey in school
- 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

**We will be walking down at 9:45am.**

- Year 4 – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October
- Year 3 – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October
- Year 2 – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November
- Year 1 – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November
- Whole School Christmas service at St Chad's – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

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

Please email [admin3141@welearn365.com](mailto:admin3141@welearn365.com) if you would like to support us on either of these dates.

### PTA Christmas Artwork 2023

Your children are working hard at school with Mrs Dixon on their amazing Christmas designs.

Each child's artwork will be transformed into a digital image and the school will distribute personalised order sheets. You can then choose items including Christmas cards, wrapping paper, tags, mugs, thank you cards, notebooks and more. Your child's Christmas artwork will be printed on the items.

You use the unique reference(s) to order items online and also pay online directly. Multiple children and multiple products can all go on a single order.

There are two delivery options from the online shop:

- You can choose home delivery where shipping fees will be charged. The amount varies on order value and standard shipping ranges from £2.50 to £3.99 (free delivery on spends over £30). You can place orders for home delivery anytime but delivery for Christmas can't be guaranteed if the order is placed too late in December (hence getting the artwork ready in October!).

- Free delivery is offered to school in a single batch. You will need to enter a code during 'checkout' to apply the 'free school delivery', and must place your order by the last order date. Once that date has passed, the artwork will be produced and delivered in a single batch to school. The school will then distribute them for your child to bring home.

Every single item purchased raises funds for PTA and the money goes directly back to the school for amazing things for the children such as iPads and art supplies.

There will be future updates via the newsletter letting you know when to expect your personalised order sheets.

We've successfully run this activity for several years and the children love seeing their artwork professionally printed onto beautiful items. Please consider purchasing your cards, wrapping, tags etc. this way and support the school at the same time.



### 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.)

### LEARNING CELEBRATION

The termly Learning Celebrations are being held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October this year. These evenings are a chance for you to come into school with your child/children and meet with their class teacher to find out how they have settled into their new class and celebrate their learning so far this academic year. We are keen for the children to join you as they are the most important part of their learning journey, supported by you at home and us in school.

You will be able to book an appointment for the Learning Celebrations from 6pm on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October. A text message will be sent to you with a link to the booking system.

If you have any concerns about your child's learning, or any other concerns about school life, please don't wait until Learning Celebration evenings to discuss these – please drop their teacher a message on [admin3141@welearn365.com](mailto:admin3141@welearn365.com).

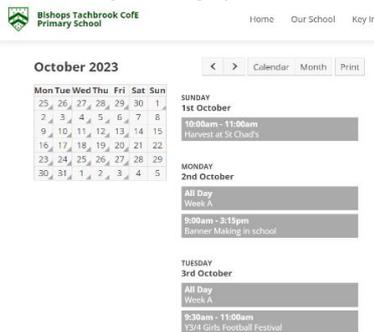
### Stars of the Week:

- Year 1 – Hope
- Year 2 – Phoebe
- Year 3 – Leon
- Year 4 – Caius
- Year 5 – Jacob
- Year 6 – Willow-Mai



### SCHOOL WEBSITE TOP TIP OF THE WEEK

If you would like to see what is coming up in the life of school – you can go to 'News and Events' at the top of the page and click on Calendar. You will then be able to see a calendar overview of what is happening. If you then select 'Month' you will be able to see a list of things coming up that month at BT.



### Marvellous Mathematicians:

- Year 1 – Noah
- Year 2 – Ruby
- Year 3 – Abigail
- Year 4 – Ollie
- Year 5 – Ben
- Year 6 – Jai



### HEADTEACHER'S STARS OF THE WEEK

This week I wanted to recognise the Year 5 children who planned, organised and led Harvest Worship so well. I also wanted to recognise our Year 6 children who pushed themselves outside of their comfort zones with some adventurous activities over the weekend.

C. Kilbey

Mrs C. Kilbey  
Head Teacher

### ATTENDANCE MATTERS

As we start a new school year, it is important to remind all families that attendance at school is really important. We have created a [page on the school website](#) to share with you the importance of your child attending school, and it comes as no surprise that children who have higher attendance percentages most often make more progress than their peers.

We understand that children are sometimes too poorly to come to school, and hope that the [Health page](#) helps you to when it is better to keep your child at home.

### STUDYBUGS REMINDER

A reminder e-mail has been sent for parents to register with Studybugs. If your child is too poorly to come to school, Studybugs is an easy way to report your child's illness. You will not need to phone school as well.



### FASCINATING FACT:



Gumboot dancing was born in the gold mines of South Africa. The workers created a means of communication, essentially their own unique form of Morse Code, by slapping their gumboots.





## MANOR ADVENTURE

Our Year 6 children stayed away from home last weekend at Manor Adventure – taking part in lots of extremely adventurous activities. All of the teachers who accompanied them said what a pleasure it was to be able to spend the weekend with the children. They showed all of our IDEALS over the course of the weekend, and as a group excelled in their listening, following instructions and courage to have a go at each activity. Where people were not so confident, the group could be heard shouting each other on and truly encouraging each other to complete the different challenges. They clearly worked hard each day, as they all fell asleep so quickly each evening too. We are extremely proud of the all of our Year 6 children – every single one of them attempted new challenges over the weekend! Here are some of the many photos that were taken during their stay:



