



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



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In Collective Worship this week we have moved to think about **'Achieve'** from our IDEALS.

On Monday in Collective Worship we have been

talking about the story of Jonah and the fish and how to be a good person in life. Jonah didn't think he would be able to help the people of Ninevah change their ways so ran away. But God had other plans and a big fish took him to Ninevah so he could complete his work. When he got there he found the people did listen to him. We talked about the importance of believing that you can do something. The teachers at school believe that the children can achieve the learning in class, and the children need to believe in themselves and give the learning a go so that they can discover they are able to achieve.



On Tuesday Mrs Pepin has introduced the use of the Secrets of Success Wheel . We will use it at the start of the lesson to think about what learning powers we want to use, and at the end we will think about what we have achieved. It helps us to do our work better and focus. It also helps us to understand what we need to do to be a successful person in life.



On Wednesday Reverend Jonathan came in and told us about Remembrance Day and the memorial stone in nearly every village with a church. Some children from school are taking a poppy wreath to lay at the memorial stone on Sunday. He also told us about how the poppy has changed over time and that this year is the first year that the British Legion are trying to make the poppies completely plastic free.



In Picture News this week we looked at Financial Education in Britain and how the government want children from 7-17 to have more financial education. Children took it in turns to feel the shape of a coin in a bag and guess the value of the coin. They described the shape and how it felt well, and we all tried to help to guess which coin it could be.



By Daniel and Sachin



WHAT HAPPENS AT A BABY BAPTISM?

Year 3 invited Reverend Jonathan to visit their classroom this week to hold a baptism service. A baby doll was baptised and Reverend Jonathan explained the different symbols that are contained in the service and what they represented. The children listened so carefully and learned lots about the service.



FIRE SERVICE VISIT

Year 5 welcomed visitors from the Fire Service to their class this week. They discovered a little bit about what the people who work in the fire service do as part of their roles, and also how to help them and their families keep safe from fire at their homes: how to test smoke alarms and what to do if there is a fire at home. I wonder if we have any budding firemen or firewomen in our midst?



CELEBRATING DIWALI

The children in Reception have been learning the story of Diwali and their classrooms have helped the children to think about the different ways to celebrate the festival. In RP the children have really enjoyed working in the role play 'Indian Restaurant'. Children have been exploring lots of different roles: customers, waiters or waitresses and chefs. They have truly thrown themselves into the different roles and worked together beautifully.



SHARING A STORY

It was lovely to see the children in Year 1 sharing a story together on Thursday. Isabella was asking her friends questions about the story as she read it during continuous provision. We were wondering if she may become a teacher herself one day – the children were clearly concentrating really hard on the story and the questions she was asking!



WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE ABOUT FREEDOM, JUSTICE AND FAIRNESS?

Year 6 have been exploring the worldviews of Christians and Humanists considering where there are similarities and differences. This week they were exploring the idea of freedom, justice and fairness, representing the different viewpoints of many Christian and Humanist people through drama. They clearly enjoyed their learning – and the discussions and ideas shared were so carefully considered.



A NEW CROSS

When we moved the playground equipment so that we could make space for the new cabin classroom, we lost our beautiful daffodil cross. We decided to work as a whole school team to create a new cross with Mr Hanson leading us. We planted our bulbs at the far end of the

field near to the tree we planted to help us to remember Annabel, our first head girl. Mr Hanson had already planted the daffodil bulbs in a cross shape and every child in school planted some snowdrop or pink tulip bulbs around the daffodil cross to help it flower for longer through the year. We will now have to be patient while the bulbs keep warm underground over the winter and hopefully grow and bloom next year. Keep an eye out in February for the first signs of flowers!



AWARDS FROM HOME

This week we celebrated two very special awards. Willow works extremely hard to develop her gymnastic talent, travelling to Birmingham to train with an elite gymnastics club. Willow competed in a group of 14 gymnasts on all of the different gymnastic disciplines and finished in third place, winning a bronze medal. Well done, Willow!



Evie has discovered that she has a talent for music – and has shared her beautiful singing with us in worship last year. She has been working really hard to learn how to read music notation and understand the theory of music. Music Theory is an aspect of music that children usually begin to learn when they are much older, but Evie has shown that she has a real talent for understanding notation, the structure of music and the Italian terminology used to help performers know how to perform written music. She recently sat her Grade 2

Theory of Music exam and passed with a distinction. She has a bright future ahead in music! Well done, Evie!

AMAZING ART



Our youngest children have been really busy in their art lessons:

The Reception children continued thinking about Divali in their art lessons. They used clay to create Divali lamps. They worked really hard to create the shape then added some patterns. They will be dry and ready to paint in their next lesson.



Year 1 children showed so much concentration and fine motor control to make the most sensational spiral designs. Their patience with tiny pieces of paper and sticky fingers was amazing to see, and their skill and perseverance to create the design they had planned resulted in the most fabulous creations.



Year 5 have also shone with the most detailed drawing of bugs, using only a handwriting pen and water to create their designs. Their attention to detail was outstanding, and the bugs they created looked like they could crawl off the page! It was great to see them exploring different ideas.



IF ANYONE HAS ANY UNWANTED TEXTURED WALLPAPER ROLLS AT HOME THAT ARE LEFT OVER FROM A DECORATING JOB, PLEASE CAN YOU SEND THEM INTO SCHOOL FOR OUR PRINTING WORK. THANK YOU!

PTA NOTICES

The PTA would like to say a huge 'Thank You' for your support at the School Disco this week. The children danced all night and there were so many smiles and memories made.

This week we have a non-uniform day in return for gifts to make the hampers. Each class has a different theme:



SCHOOL WEBSITE TOP TIP OF THE WEEK

A quick way to find out about Kids Club at BT and how to get involved is to go to the Parents tab and select Kids Club. There is lots of information and an email link on the page.



Dates for your diary:

- Wed 15th Nov – Year 2 trip to the Story Museum
- Fri 17th Nov – Non-uniform day in exchange for hamper gifts
- Wed 22nd November – Year 5 Space Centre Trip
- Tues 28th Nov – Coffee and prayer in the lodge – parents welcome
- Tues 28th Nov – Year 4 trip to Ashmolean Museum
- Fri 1st Dec – Non-uniform day in exchange for bottles and chocolates
- Sat 2nd Dec – Christmas Fayre at School
- Sun 3rd Dec – Christingle Service at St Chad’s 10am
- Sun 10th Dec – Carols on the green (any brass players welcome – contact vicarstchads@gmail.com)
- Tues 12th Dec – Naughty Elf Day
- Thurs 14th Dec – Reception Christingle Journey in school
- Mon 18th Dec – iRock concert for school and parents 9:30am
- Wed 20th Dec – Christmas Service at St Chad’s

LINKS WITH ST CHAD’S CHURCH

With the weather beginning to get a little colder, Year 1 and Year 2 will no longer be going to St Chad’s, but Reverend Jonathan is going to bring a Christingle experience to them at school. 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. Whole School Christmas service at St Chad’s – Wednesday 20th December (weather/temperature permitting). Please email admin3141@welearn365.com if you would like to support us on any of these dates.

CHRISTMAS AT ST CHAD’S CHURCH

3 DEC	10AM	CHRISTINGLE
10 DEC	4PM	CAROLS ON THE GREEN
17 DEC	10AM	NATIVITY SERVICE
	6:30PM	CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
24 DEC	4PM	CRIS SERVICE
	11:30PM	MIDNIGHT MASS
25 DEC	10AM	FAMILY COMMUNION FOR ALL AGES - BRING A PRESENT TO SHOW AND TELL

Christingle
collect your lights
Shine your light!

St Chads Church
Sunday 3rd December 10am

Craft Fair
St Chad's Centre, Bidgay, Tarleton, UK
Sunday 3rd December 2023
11:30am - 2:30pm

Book your table: £10
Contact Fiona
07506 581240

KIDS CLUB UPDATE

October half term gave us all the ‘autumn feels’ with campfires, marshmallows and baking pumpkin biscuits. We played a range of sports and got messy with lots of crafts.



Does your child want to try a club run by Kids Club? If they do, please see Miss Humphries at the end of the school day to book in for a free taster session.



Stars of the Week:

- RB – Elias
- RP – Ava-May
- Year 1 – Henry
- Year 2 – Willow
- Year 3 – Ellis
- Year 4 – James
- Year 5 – Ava
- Year 6 – Darcey

Remarkable Readers:

- RB – George
- RP – Alma
- Year 1 – Amy
- Year 2 – Harrison
- Year 3 – Beth
- Year 4 – Dylan
- Year 5 – Ben
- Year 6 – Dylan



Secrets of Success Champions

Emilia, William, Cohen, Caius, Seb and Isobel



HEADTEACHER’S STAR OF THE WEEK

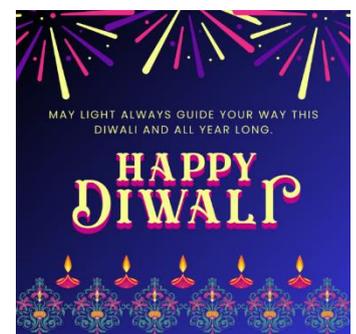
Harrison for quietly checking that I knew the routines in RP this week when I popped in to teach the class for an afternoon. Thank you for helping me and checking that I was ok so gently and with care.



C. Kilbey

Mrs C. Kilbey
Head Teacher

We would like to wish all our families who are celebrating this weekend a very Happy Diwali!





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