

BISHOP'S TACHBROOK C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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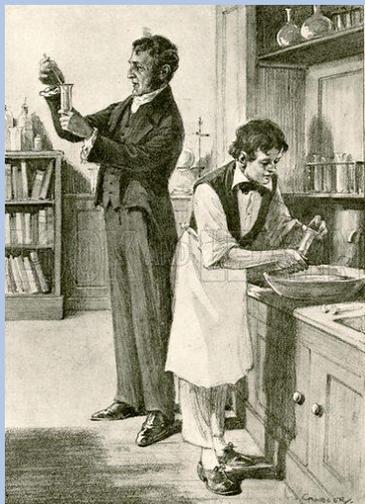
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Mrs C. Kilbey
Head Teacher



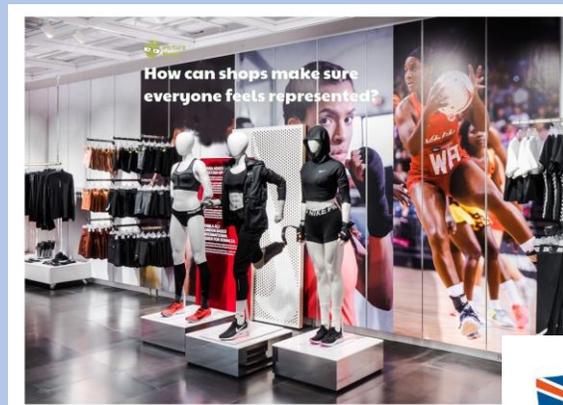
Worship this week

On Monday we thought about Michael Faraday, and how he had been offered an apprenticeship as a bookbinder. Here he was allowed to read the books and discovered a love for science. He was then offered a ticket to hear Humphry Davy talk about science, wrote lots of notes about his lectures and sent them to him, and was offered the opportunity to work with him. From here he improved God's world by creating lots of different things – including electro-magnetism. We talked about taking every opportunity we are offered and seeing where it might lead us.



Tuesday's worship saw us celebrating children who had been spotted showing 'Imagine'.

In Picture News we thought about the question 'How can shops make sure everyone feels represented?' We heard how Nike had a model with a prosthetic limb on their display, but then refused to sell a single trainer to a ex-Paralympian runner who used a blade. She felt that Nike were not living out their values of diversity and inclusion, but had started the journey.



Protected Characteristics



The products available for people to buy should be inclusive and represent us all. Nobody should be excluded or treated unfairly because of a disability.



UN Rights of a Child



Every child with a disability should enjoy the best possible life in society. Governments should remove all obstacles for children with disabilities to become independent and to participate actively in the community.



British Values



Democracy

We can listen to others carefully and use our voices to make sure everyone is included and treated fairly.



Jack and the Beanstalk

The children in Reception have been thinking about the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and have created their own huge beanstalk. The children wrote the word for the picture on each leaf.

They have also been 'growing' by threading hoops onto some spaghetti to see how tall they can grow their tower. They also enjoyed designing their own Jack and the giant shape using the playdough.

They have planted their own seeds and are waiting for them to grow after they were inspired by visiting Mr Hanson and the fabulous plants that he has grown in his polytunnel.



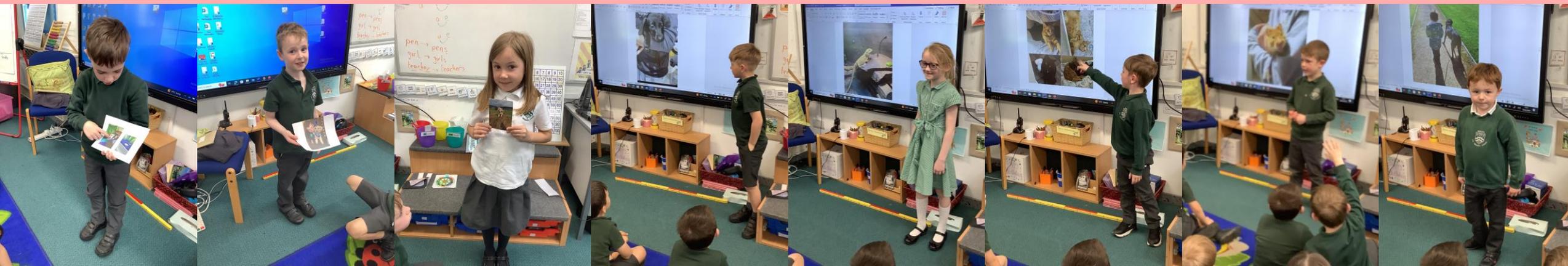


Caring for our pets

Year 1 children have brought in pictures of their pets and were able to talk really confidently about their pets to the rest of the class, explaining how they took care of them and made sure they had the right amount of food, water, exercise and plenty of love.

It was lovely to see them talking so confidently in front of the whole class group, and everyone learned lots about different types of pets. It's safe to say that the animals who are part of the children's families are certainly loved!

Well done, Year 1!





Visiting St Chad's Church

Year 3 visited St Chad's this week to explore the idea of the ascension. They also thought about the different times of the church year, with green representing 'normal time'. They helped to start making a large banner to share their learning with others.





How can we group and classify different objects?

Year 4 have been thinking about different criteria they can use to group and classify different objects both in simple ways, but also in more complex groupings. They had to think really carefully about each object to ensure that it didn't belong in more than one group.





Gymnasts...

This week, Year 5 have been discovering and developing their gymnastic talents by climbing and creating different shapes. This has involved balancing, hanging, jumping as well as working as a team. ... and architects !

They have also been discovering different ways to strengthen a structure, including using different shapes, like pyramids and cuboids, as well as considering ways to interlock Jenga blocks to increase the strength of a structure.



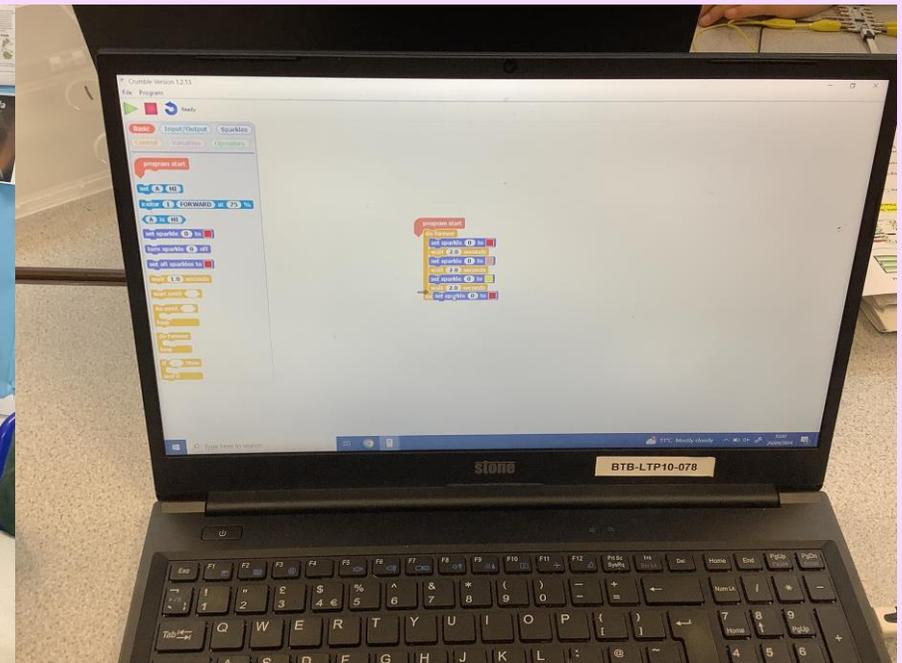


Coding with Crumble controllers



Year 6 have been developing their understanding of coding and combining it to their work on electrical circuits to enable the laptops to control when a light is turned on and off, and what colour the light will shine.

They have also been very creative in sending a video message to a friend on her birthday!



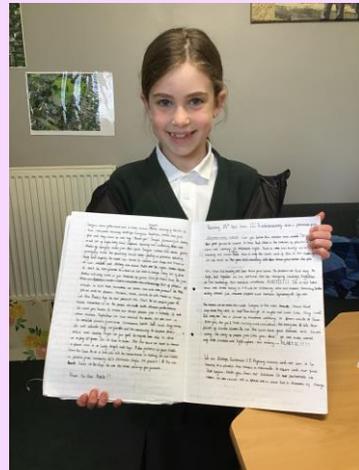
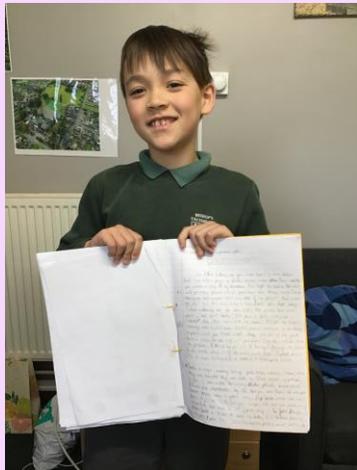
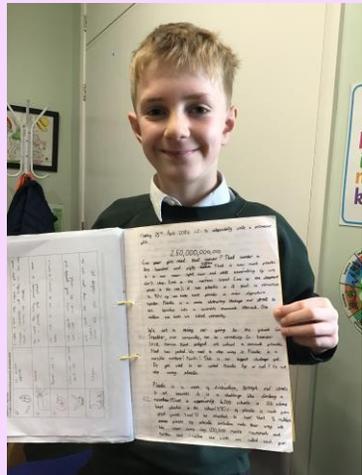


Awards from home

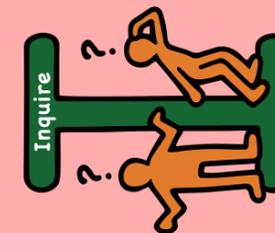
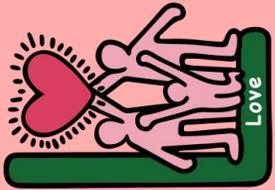
This week, we have celebrated a man of the match award for Corey, who had managed to score a hat-trick for his team this week. George has been training hard and has been awarded his yellow stripe belt in martial arts. Abi has been awarded the Group Scout Leader's Award for being so kind in her support and encouragement of the younger scouts in her colony. You have truly shown 'Shine' as well as 'Achieve', Abi! Phoebe and Grace have been developing their confidence in the water and are now able to move around confidently in the water, with Phoebe sharing that it was easy to jump into the pool now.



Awards in school



Charlie, Ben and Immy brought me some persuasive writing this week. They have been thinking about the planet, and how so much plastic ends up in the oceans. Their ideas were carefully structured to increase the reader's understanding of how important it is to protect the oceans from single use plastic. Well done!



IDEALS time:

The raffle ticket totals are increasing really quickly this term, with so many children living out our IDEALS in school.

The KS2 raffle ticket winners chose to play Herd Mentality, while the KS1 and EYFS winners chose Pop up pirate and Uno. We enjoyed a fruity treat and some squash or fizzy water while we played. There was a lot of laughter!



Raffle Ticket Totals so far this term...





Amazing Art

Examples of the children's art from across school help to brighten up my office. This week Mrs Dixon brought some beautiful painting by Hunter and Elijah to display in the Reception frame. Spring has definitely arrived!



Dates for your diary:

- w/c 6th May is Week B
- Tues 7th May – Non-Uniform day in exchange for raffle prizes
- Wed 8th May – Coffee and encouraging reading
- w/c 13th May – KS2 SATs week
- Thurs 16th May – Year 4 to St Chad's
- Fri 17th May – Non-Uniform day in exchange for bottles/chocolate
- Fri 17th May – PTA Spring Fair 3:15 – 5pm
- Tues 21st May – Sports Day am and family BBQ
- Wed 22nd May – Coffee and Online Safety
- Thurs 23rd May – Sports Day reserve date am
- Fri 24th May – INSET Day
- Mon 27th – Fri 31st May – HALF TERM BREAK
- w/c 3rd June – Year 3 Catch up swimming

REMINDERS:

Parking – The staff car park is for staff and visitors to the school only. We ask that parents **do not** use the staff car park at any time, including dropping off and collecting from Kids Club. Thank you.

Attendance – We are seeing an increase in the number of families choosing to take their children out of school during term time. We are willing to authorise absences for exceptional circumstances (e.g. a close relative's wedding), but remind families that they should use the school holiday periods to go away on a family holiday. When a child misses just one day of school, they will have missed four, or maybe even five lessons (dependent on the day missed). If they miss a week of school that is 20+ lessons to catch up on. This missed learning means that the child will feel behind their peers when they return and may not be able to access the learning that is happening in the classroom on their return. Staff will need to support them to catch up on the learning they have missed. When a child's attendance drops below 95% (10 days missed) they have a much lower chance of success in school.

If you do have to take a holiday in term time, you **must** fill in a holiday form from school in advance.

Website Information

Some parents who have shared their views on the recent [Parent View](#) questionnaire have asked about being informed of their child's learning for the year.

The overviews for each class are posted on the School Website. If you scroll to the bottom of the '[Wider Curriculum](#)' page you can find overviews for each year group. They were also shared in the Meet the Teacher meetings at the start of the school year, and are in the [information about each of the classes](#).

This information shares a brief outline of the different learning that happens in each term. Adaptations are made to the curriculum and things will change from time to time, but we endeavour to keep these as up to date as possible. We hope you find this useful.

NON-UNIFORM DAY
MAY 7TH

Non-uniform day in exchange for raffle prizes please



PTA messages

Please send your hamper gifts to the classroom with your child on Tuesday. Thank you for your support!

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FAMILY NIGHT IN

FOR OUR SPRING FAYRE WE ARE CREATING A SELECTION OF THEMED HAMPERS TO BE RAFFLED OFF

RB theme is family night in. Snacks, drinks, activities, or any extras like a popcorn bowl

Do you have any unwanted gifts lying around or seen something while shopping?

Non uniform Tuesday 7th May for raffle donations

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SWEET TREATS!

For our Spring fayre we are creating a selection of themed hampers to be raffled off.

NON UNIFORM TUESDAY 7TH MAY FOR RAFFLE PRIZES

RP theme is sweet treats. Sweets, chocolate, biscuits, drinks, anything with a touch of sugar.

YUMMY!

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Miniatures!

FOR OUR SPRING FAYRE WE ARE CREATING A SELECTION OF THEMED HAMPERS TO BE RAFFLED OFF

YEAR 1 THEME IS MINIATURES. MINI WINE, MINI GIN, MINI TONIC, MINI JUICES, ANY MINI BOOZE OR MIXER, OR EXTRAS FOR SOME SAZZ. COCKTAIL STICKS, LEMONS, GLITTER!

DO YOU HAVE ANY UNWANTED GIFTS LYING AROUND OR HAVE SEEN A MIN SOMETHING WHILE OUT SHOPPING?

NON UNIFORM TUESDAY 7TH MAY FOR RAFFLE DONATIONS

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Spa Day Hamper

For our Spring fayre we are creating a selection of themed hampers to be raffled off.

Year 2 theme is all things self care. Face, feet, body, bath, books, or any extras like candles.

Do you have any unwanted gifts lying around or seen something while out shopping?

NON UNIFORM TUESDAY 7TH MAY FOR YOUR DONATIONS

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Gardening Hamper

Always wanted to have a plant to calm your mind?

For our Spring fayre we are creating a selection of themed hampers to be raffled off.

Year 3 theme is all things garden. Books, tools, seeds, mini plants, pots, gloves.

Do you have any spares lying around or have seen a little something while out shopping?

Non uniform on Tuesday 7th May for your donations

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PLEASE NO NUTS!

FOR OUR SPRING FAYRE WE ARE CREATING A SELECTION OF THEMED HAMPERS

Year 4 theme is savoury snacks. Pretzels, pork scratchings, crisps, drinks to compliment or dips like salsa.

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The Craft Box

For our Spring fayre we are creating a selection of themed hampers to be raffled off.

Year 5 theme is arts and crafts. Paints, pens, chalk, tools like brushes and scissors, glitter, stickers, paper, card, crafty kits, or anything crafty

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Holiday Hamper

For our Spring fayre we are making a selection of hampers.

Year 6 theme is holidays! Mini toiletries, suitcases accessories, beach must haves, travel wine glasses, wine!

Non uniform Tuesday 7th May for your donations

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Coffee and...

We held our first 'Coffee and...' session last term, and have planned some more sessions for this term. The sessions are informal drop-ins for parents to find out more about school, and we will involve groups of children when it is appropriate to support.



The sessions run in the lodge from 8:45 – 9:30, and will often involve information to take away. If you can't stay, but would like to know more about any of these areas, please pop in to collect some information. There is no expectation for you to stop for the whole session; and if you just fancy a cup of coffee or tea, please pop in too!

Sessions for this term are:

Wed 8th May – Coffee and encouraging reading

Wed 22nd May – Coffee and online safety

Wed 12th June – Coffee and secrets of success (learning behaviours)

Wed 26th June – Coffee and calculation methods

Wed 3rd July – Coffee and Manor Adventure Q&A (Year 5 parents)

So that we can plan ahead for these sessions in September, we have set up a [Google Form](#) to collect your ideas for themes you would like us to include in these sessions.

We will also be holding our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions at the start of the new academic year so that you can find out more about your child's new year group.

Performing opportunity:

There is an exciting opportunity to perform in the Great Hall at Warwick Castle this November. The performance is 'The Festive Elves and the Shoemakers' and money raised from the performance will be going to Birmingham Children's Hospital in memory of Annabel Greenhalgh, our first Head Girl at BT.

If you would like to audition for a part in the performance the auditions are on **12th May from 1-4pm at Leek Wootton Village Hall**. There are 35 parts available, so do go along and have a go. You will be supported to be able to join in with the auditions in a friendly and encouraging environment.

If you are successful in being given a part in the performance you will be committing to 5 rehearsals on a Sunday leading up to the performances which are on 6th and 7th November.

Good Luck!

Sports Day:

We are holding Sports Day earlier this year – on Tuesday 21st May. As usual, there will be an opportunity to share lunch together afterwards. There will be a BBQ for children and adults available, serving hot dogs, burgers and veggie burgers along with salad and a shortcake biscuit for pudding. Adult meals will cost £3 each. You are also welcome to bring your own picnic, if you would prefer.

If you would like to join us for the BBQ, which will be served outside and available from 11:30 onwards for adults and pre-school children to help with the queues, please can you complete the Google Form so that we can ensure we order enough food.

[Adult order Google Form \(£3 per meal\)](#)

[Younger siblings \(not yet at school\) order Google Form \(£2.50 per meal\)](#)

[Child order Google Form](#)





Secrets of Success champions

This week the children were spotting others in their class who were demonstrating the secret of success 'Imagine'. A big well done to our spotters, as well as the children who showed creativity, or asked big questions to imagine:





Stars of the Week:

RB – Mark and Ada

RP – Harry and Alma

Year 1 – Bella

Year 2 – Phoebe

Year 3 – James

Year 4 – Lyla

Year 5 – Charlie

Year 6 – Isabelle





Mighty Writers:

RB – Lily and Olivia

RP – Jessie

Year 1 – Evie

Year 2 – William

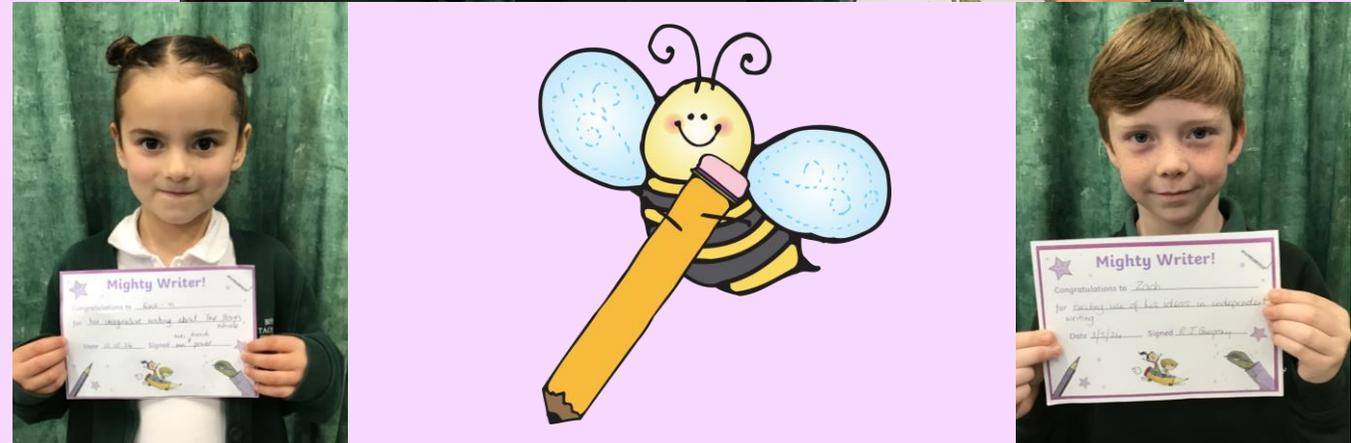
Year 3 – Zach

Year 4 – Imogen

Year 5 – Jacob

Year 6 – Daniel

Pen licences were awarded to
Amelia, Ava, Lila, Hattie, Lucy,
Imogen, Sam and Seb.
Well done!





Head Teacher's star of the week:

Jacob was the Head Teacher's star of the week this week. He always stops to ask how I am and how my day has been so far, whether he sees me walking in the corridor or outside on the playground, in the lunch hall or on the way out of school at the end of the day.

What makes meeting Jacob really special, though, is that he also stops to listen to the answer. Thank you for showing care, Jacob. Bumping into you in school always brightens my day!

