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Religious News

This week is Christian Aid Week and we have been reflecting on the work of this Charity in school. Children have been before looking at how Charities provide aid for people in different areas of the world. We discussed briefly how, this year, the focus for the fundraising is to provide money to provide healthcare for mums having babies. Classes have now all started a new topic from the Understanding Christianity Scheme. Children in Reception are learning all about special places and, in particular, The Church, in preparation for their visit to St John's Church after the holidays. Our Year 1 classes are exploring 'What do Christians Believe God is Like?' and looking at examples of stories which show what people believe. Year 2 are currently exploring Creation and have engaged in lots of discussion about what their perfect world would be like. Year 3 are looking at 'Gospel' and exploring the idea of Good News whilst Year 4 are looking at how believers show their commitments during the journey of life. Our Year 5 are looking at 'People of God' and Year 6 are debating the importance of forgiveness.

"I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep. John 10:11

BAILDON CARNIVAL

In recent years, due to the fact that the Baildon Carnival has been the day after our Summer Fair, as a school, we have opted out of being involved.

However, whilst this year, once more, it is the day after the Summer Fair, we have agreed to take part in the Carnival and to have a small stall also. Mrs Smith has attended a planning meeting about this locally and will be issuing further information after half term but, for the moment, please can we give you some headline information so that you can get the date in your diary.

The Carnival will take place on **Saturday, 13th July**, and, as this year is the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing, the theme is Space. We have committed to taking part in the walking parade so children will be asked to come dressed in 'space themed clothes' if they are taking part. Please look out for the letter after the holidays with further information.

Achievers of the week for 13th May

This week we have awarded our certificates to children who have recognised for their resilience shown this week.

Congratulations to the following children who received certificates:

FS1 Henry C

FS2 Bonnie S, Cody S

Y1 William I, Reuben L-O

Y2 Anya B, Ethan T

Y3 Millie S, Elsa T

Y4 Evie McK, Austin H

Y5 Isaa-A-A, Max G

Y6 Ally C, Alex H

Our certificates next week will be awarded for Curriculum.

PTFA UPDATE

We look forward to welcoming approximately 280 children back to the discos later.

The next PTFA meeting will take place on Thursday, 13th June at The Old Glen House Pub at 7.30pm to further the plans for the Summer Fair and all are welcome.

Further information about the Fair, including the non-uniform day on 5th July, will be distributed after half term.

The minutes of the meeting held last week, as well as the accounts, can be found on the PTFA section of the website which is in the Parents and Pupils section.

ATTENDANCE Week of 6th May

F1am 98.08%

F1pm 100%

F1 30 hours 97.92%

F2P 99.17%

F2Py 100%

Y1M 94.58%

Y1S 98.33%

Y2F 99.17%

Y2D 98.75%

Y3HM 97.08%

Y3W 95%

Y4HW 97.92%

Y4M 97.08%

Y5B 98.33%

Y5G 96.25%

Y6B 99.17%

Y6V 99.57%

Congratulations to Afternoon Nursery and F2Py who had 100% to share the KS1 cup this week. Well done to Year 6B who won the KS2 cup. Our whole school attendance was 97.91%.

PARENTS TO DINNER

This week, we were delighted to welcome the parents of children in Year 1 to join us for dinner which once more was very favourably received.

Our final 'Parents to Dinner' opportunity will be for Reception parents on 3rd July. A letter will be sent out about this on our return to school in June.

PARKING ISSUES

Unfortunately, some selfish and dangerous practices continue to put the lives of our children, parents and staff in danger and also to cause much distress to our neighbours.

The most recent communication from a neighbour mentions that the situation has got worse in recent months with parking on corners, double parking, turning in the middle of Wensleydale Rise and parents being extremely rude to anyone who actually mentions anything to them. This was also borne out by the Police who told us that a number of our parents have a complete disregard for authority and just laugh in the face of anyone who challenges them.

We have also had complaints from the bus driver who has reported that he can't turn down Coverdale Way because of parking on corners and double parking.

Due to the seriousness of the issue, on Wednesday, the Police came and presented at our Nursery New Entrants meeting and they are also due to present in June for our Reception Intake.

We are sending out a copy of the letter which they have produced today so that parents are aware of how the Police are viewing these practices.

RECEPTION NELL BANK VISIT

To tie in with their topic on animals, Reception enjoyed a wonderful visit in lovely sunshine to Nell Bank on Tuesday.

As part of the trip, the story of the Gruffalo was used to explore habitats and camouflage and one child reported to 'crying tears of happiness' when she found the mouse hiding on a branch in a tree!

The highlights of the day, however, were lunch and the waterplay area. Well done Nathan on providing such a tasty treat!

Many thanks to all the parents who accompanied the children and made the trip possible.

BREAKFAST CLUB AND DINNER REVIEW

As part of their budget setting exercise, Governors have just undertaken their annual review of costs for breakfast club and school dinners.

We are delighted that, even in days of increasing costs, we are able to keep the costs of both breakfast club and dinner the same in September.

NON UNIFORM DAYS

Next Friday, Ruby House, are invited to come in non-uniform, following their success again in the House competition.

All children are invited to come in non-uniform on June 14th and, in return, give a donation to the Lord Mayor's Charities of Manorlands and Nightstop Bradford (Dragonboat charities this year)