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Religious News

Our emphasis throughout this week has been on Harvest and giving thanks. As part of our preparation, on Monday, we explored what is Harvest and why it is celebrated. During our Service on Thursday, we reflected on how lucky we are to have a variety of food which is not the case around the world. Reverend Sandra used a reading from the Gospel of St Mark about how the Kingdom of God is like a farmer who goes out and plants seeds and leaves them to grow. Many thanks to all the families who donated food which was collected today by Michael Skelton, who is our contact from the Parish, to be delivered to Abigail Housing. This is a West-Yorkshire based charitable company dedicated to providing support and homes to refugees and asylum seekers who find themselves destitute on our streets. Following some concerns about the Shoebox Appeal which we traditionally support were raised last year, we are investigating an alternative and we hope to be able to share details with you next week.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

~ Luke 12:14

PTFA UPDATE

Thank you to the members of the PTFA who baked and hosted the Coffee Morning and Afternoon yesterday for new parents. The PTFA have now organised the dates for the Bun Sales for each class for this year. Starting with Year 6 today, Year 5 will take place on 2nd November, Year 3 on 7th December, Year 4 on 1st February, Year 2 on 1st March, Reception/Year 1 on 5th April, and Nursery on 3rd May. The PTFA disco will take place next Friday, 12th October and all families should receive a letter about this today. The Early Years and KS1 Disco will take place from 6pm to 7pm with the KS2 Disco from 7.15pm to 8.15pm. Tickets for this event are priced at £2 and will be sold on the door. Hot dogs, drinks, crisps and sweets will be on sale at the disco. They will be priced at £1 per hot dog, 50p per bottle/carton, 30p per bag of crisps/sweets. The PTFA will also be offering festival face paints and glow sticks.

Achievers of the week for 5th October .

On Tuesday, Mrs Adams led an assembly to introduce creativity, our fifth characteristic of effective learning.

Creativity

This has been introduced to children as 'I am creative in all areas of the curriculum and make likes in my learning. Congratulations to the following children who were awarded certificates this week for demonstrating creativity in school:

FS2 Gabriella O'B, Emily McC

Y1 Louis T, Isabella D

Y2 Caitlyn D, Isabelle K

Y3 Lily W, Daisy P

Y4 Leo W, Llweyn M

Y5 Eve B, Harriet K

Y6 Faith S, Evie W

Next week we will be looking at motivation as our next learning characteristic.

E-SAFETY TOP TIPS

To kick off our restarted E-safety top tips, we would like to draw your attention to our Parent E-safety page on the school website. On this page you will find a number of links to a variety of useful websites with advice to support you and your family. <http://www.baildonce.co.uk/parent-information/e-safety-advice-for-parents>

ATTENDANCE Week of 24th September

F1am 93.75%

F1pm 55%

F1 30 hours 95%

F2P 99.31%

F2Py 100%

Y1M 97%

Y1S 94.67%

Y2F 99.67%

Y2D 98.67%

Y3HM 100%

Y3W 98.67%

Y4HW 98.33%

Y4M 100%

Y5B 100%

Y5G 98%

Y6B 93.677%

Y6V 97.59%

Congratulations to F2Py who are the attendance winners in Early Years and KS1 with 100%. Well done!

Congratulations to Y3HM, 4M and 5B who all had 100% attendance last week to share the KS2 cup. Well done!

GROWTH MINDSET

Our staff training this week was delivered by Simon Sloan, our advisor from the Diocese and looked at Growth Mindset and how we can develop that as a school. Parents may find this useful as a guide to the concept:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/growups/help-your-child-try-new-things>

SPORTING UPDATE-

We had 5 teams in action on Monday night at the Girls Football with some mixed results for the different teams. Well done to everyone for their wonderful sportsmanship and attitude. Thank you to all the parents and the 5 staff who supported the teams.

Last night some of our cross country teams were in action at Northcliffe Park. Once more, staff were particularly impressed by the attitude of the children and of course by the amazing running with three teams finishing first and one team finishing third overall. Great running – well done all!

FUNDRAISING FOCUS FOR SCHOOL

You will be acutely aware from the media and from communication over the past few years that, school budgets have been affected in recent years which has made funding some improvements quite difficult. As a voluntary aided school, we need to contribute 10% to the cost of building projects which we undertake and receive the remainder of the funding through a bidding process with the Diocese. Over the last 18 months, we have contributed approximately £30,000 towards the cost of the 2 phases of the roof and we now need to try and ensure that we have sufficient for phase 3 which should take place next year.

You will also be aware that, unfortunately, during a health and safety visit in the Summer, our Jungle Trail was condemned and this has severely affected the space which our Early Years and Key Stage 1 children have for playing. We are very keen to address this issue and have been busy gathering quotes for the redevelopment of this area. Whilst we publicised last year that we would like PTFA funds raised to be used to continue to redevelop our library, we broached with the PTFA a request that the money raised last year and that raised this year be used to undertake this vital refurbishment. In addition, we have submitted a bid to Tesco to secure some funding and we are awaiting to hear the outcome of that. If you have any ideas about other sources of income which we could access to support this project, please let us know.

NURSERY AND RECEPTION OPEN EVENING 2019

Our Nursery Information Afternoon and Evening will take place on Wednesday 17th October at 1.45pm and 6.15pm. We will be holding our Reception Information Evening for the 2019 Intake on 30th October at 6.15pm. The Afternoon session will take place at 1.45pm on 31st October. Further information is available from the office.

TT ROCKSTARS

Children throughout Key Stage 2 have all been introduced to this free App (TT Rockstars) to practise their tables and we are delighted at the number who are regularly practising as it is clearly making a huge difference to their maths. For children to achieve in maths, it is vital that they can recall their tables speedily so, if you have not already downloaded the App, we urge you to check it out.