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Religious News

World Peace Day is celebrated on 21st September and, due to the fact that this was at the weekend, we explored the theme of peace with children at Collective Worship this week. It was interesting to hear that most children explained the word as being peace, quiet and relaxation with one or two children discussing the interpretation of the word as being the cessation of war. The theme for the day was 'Climate Change' which clearly coincided with the Summit which was taking place in New York. Children as young as 5 were able to give practical ways in which we can support the environment by not dropping litter and not using too much plastic. As part of our discussion we were able to make a direct link to our vision which places an emphasis on respect of the world around us.

All classes are busy learning songs and hymns for our Harvest Service which will take place on Thursday. Please send donations of food (not fresh) to school by next Thursday. Thank you in advance for your support of this.

The fruit of love is service, which is compassion in action
Mother Teresa

THIS WEEK IN BAILDON

A group of local artists are producing a piece of land art for the UCI Road Cycling World Championships on the grounds of Hollins Hall Hotel, working together with local Baildon schools. An outline of a bicycle has been painted onto the ground and, using a giant parachute, a group of our Year 3 pupils will be simulating the wheels of the bicycle moving, creating an animation to be seen from above when the women's race is televised on Saturday. The dress rehearsal this Wednesday went brilliantly, with all children involved coming together for the very first time! You can see the drone footage from Wednesday on our Twitter feed @baildonce.

We had a number of sporting events this week with three football teams in action on Monday. The 'Highlighters' lost out on penalties in the final but will progress to the finals in February. The first competitive cross country races of the season saw teams finishing 1st, 1st, 2nd and 4th. All the staff have been extremely impressed with the children representing the school this year and commended them on their resilience and passion.

Achievers of the week for 27th September.

Our certificates this week were awarded for problem solving- I can think and actively evaluate my work to help me solve problems.

Congratulations to the following children who were awarded certificates this week for demonstrating this characteristic in school:

FS2 Louis G, Harry L

Y1 Joshua P, Jake M

Y2 Jimmy P, Peter W

Y3 Steven K, Ted A-C

Y4 Millie S, Rose B

Y5 William R, Ashley C

Y6 Matilda L, Oliver R

Next week the certificate will be awarded to children who demonstrate creativity in their work.

NEXT WEEK IN BAILDON

30th Wind and Strings Concert
30th Year 6 to Royal Armouries
2nd October Aire Valley U11 Girls Football
2nd Parents meeting for Year 4 trip to Ingleborough 6.15pm
3rd Harvest Festival
3rd Cross Country Race
4th Tempest Individual Photos
4th Collection of the harvest food

ATTENDANCE Week of 16th September

FS1am 81.43%

FS1pm 98.18%

FS1 (30) 95%

FS2Q 98.97%

FS2M 98%

Y1P 96.33%

Y1S 99.33%

Y2F 96.55%

Y2D 96.67%

Y3FH 98.67%

Y3W 100%

Y4AW 99.33%

Y4M 98%

Y5B 99.33%

Y5G 98.62%

Y6B 96.55%

Y6V 99%

Our whole school attendance was
97.81%.

Congratulations to Year 1 who won the
attendance cup in EY and KS1 and to
Year 3W who had 100% to win the KS2
attendance cup.

PTFA UPDATE

Thank you to all the parents who attended the PTFA coffee morning yesterday and thanks to the PTFA for organising it. We hope that you all have the 11th October in your diaries for the first disco of the year which we hope, once more, will be a very successful event.

STAFFING UPDATE

Today, we said goodbye and good luck to Mrs Diane Moncaster who retires after 20 years in Baildon. We wonder if Year 6 might be able to calculate how many dinners that she has served over the time! We wish her all the best in her retirement.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

All parents should receive an updated Calendar with this newsletter for the year which is correct as of 26th September. Following confirmation of trips, we have now been able to add all the class trips, trips to places of worship and the parents to dinner dates.

Parents to dinner dates:

Year 6 – today

Year 5 -29th November 2019

Year 4 – 4th March 2020

Year 3 – 25th March 2020

Year 2 – 27th March 2020

Year 1- 19th May 2020

Reception -12th June 2020 (Superhero Day moved to 19th June)
Following our very successful Open Day Event for parents last year, we have also added that date to the diary. This is planned for 2nd April 2020.

MUSIC MARK

We were delighted to receive notification and congratulations earlier in the week on becoming a 2019/20 Music Mark School Member. This follows a nomination by our local Music Service in recognition of the valued that we place on music. Many thanks to all the staff and pupils who have been contributed in any way to the musical life of the school with special gratitude to Mrs Armstrong.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Parents will be aware from our newsletter and calendar that, next Thursday, we will gather as a school for our annual Harvest Festival. Mrs Smith led a special worship on this on Thursday where she explored what exactly it means to harvest and how we have a part to play. Children were amazed to see some of the peas and tomatoes which were harvested from our own school grounds.

Once more, we are inviting parents to send in donations of tinned or packet foods for our collection for 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 the streets. This is one of the ways in which we support the work of the Parish of St John's as this is a link which was established through the parish. We hope that you will give generously to the appeal. Food can be sent in any time between now and Thursday.

FIRE PIT ACTION

Year 3 were very fortunate with the weather last Friday when they experienced life in the paleolithic era through cooking bread on the fire pit – I think that they realised that being able to go to the supermarket is a lot easier!