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"Starting children off through God's love and Jesus' teachings"

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 6th October 2023

Christian Value: Friendship

British Value: School Qualities

Living out the School Vision this Week: (Y1)

Curiosity: "I liked finding out what floats and what sinks," reported Annabelle.

Compassion: "I helped my friend use the laptop," shared Charlie.

Resilience: "I kept on trying to read the book on my own," said Seth.

Worship quote: "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace," *1 Peter 4:10*.

Remember in our prayers: all those who have been affected by the car crash in Woodhouse.

Y6 Norfolk Residential

They have had a brilliant week, with canoeing, rifle shooting and bouldering being some of the stand-out activities. Please see photos on our Twitter/X.

Ofsted and SIAMS Inspection Reports

We have received our excellent SIAMS report. Please read on the school website [here](#).

The Ofsted report is also now posted. Thank you for the many cards and emails offering congratulations.

We are having a celebration event next Friday, with circus skills workshops, crafts, games and a party tea. It will be a non-uniform day. Donations of party food will be much appreciated. (Slips in book bags.)

Reception (and Y1) Phonics Event

This will take place on Monday morning, at 9.05am in the school hall. The Teachers will explain how phonics is taught. Y1 parents, who missed the meeting last year, may attend. There will be a separate event, about phonics in Y1, in due course.

Additional Clubs

These clubs have begun this week. Please note that they will not be running for the first week after half term, (parents' evenings). Football and Fitness sports clubs will be running as usual.

Harvest Festival

Our Y3 children will be leading the school harvest service at St Paul's Church on 12th October. Children are invited to bring donations of dried food, tinned food or cereal, which they will take up to Church. These donations will then go to the John Storer House food bank. Parents of Y3 children are warmly

invited to attend. There will be seats in the side chapel and the pews at the back of church.

Old Logo Uniform

We are still offering a 'swap shop' for any items of uniform with the old logo (while stocks last). Please bring to reception, in a labelled bag.

Out-grown, new-logo items, freshly laundered, are always gratefully received.

Parents' Evenings and Open Classrooms

Virtual parents' evenings will be held on Tuesday and Thursday, after half-term. Slots can be booked via school cloud (please see emails). There will also be an opportunity to come into school to look at your child's work, on Friday 27th Oct.

Holidays in Term Time

The Department for Education is very concerned about children with persistent, low attendance (below 90%). Holidays in term time will not be authorised. These combined with usual illnesses, almost always results in attendance below 90%. Fines are highly likely, in this situation.

Church Events

Please see flyer about Messy Church, this Sunday.

Sports News

There have been no events this week but we continue to practise for cross country, next week.

School Diary

- Mon 9th Oct 9.05am: R and Y1 parents' introduction to phonics meeting
- Thurs 12th Oct 2.15pm: Harvest Festival service, St Paul's Church, **Y3 parents** welcome
- Fri 13th Oct: Ofsted/SIAMS celebration day
- Fri 13th Oct: break up for half term
- Tues 24th Oct: parents' evening (virtual)
- Thurs 26th Oct: parents' evening (virtual)
- Fri 27th Oct: open classrooms, to see children's work, children's surnames A-M 2.30-3pm; N-Z 3-3.30pm
- Fri 3rd Nov 2.40pm: Golden Worship Y3-6, parents of those years groups welcome.

Have a good
weekend,
Mrs Gilchrist

