



#### **School Newsletter**

Christian Value: Hope

21st May 2021

Worship Theme: May the God of hope fill you with joy and peace (Roman 15:13)



Thank you so much to the 262 parents and carers who responded to our survey. This was the biggest response we have ever received and gave us much to celebrate and some pointers for further action. Some of you wrote very specific and helpful suggestions from which we will devel-

op actions. I will review different sections over the next few weeks and feedback to everyone. 94% of parents gave a positive response to the question 'Is your child happy at school' with 61% of parents strongly agreeing with this statement. Areas of concern for some parents were lunchtimes and the current policy of keeping children in the same classes throughout school. We know that the pandemic has impacted on children's play both at home and at school so we have asked Ben Kingston Hughes, from Inspired Children, to come and work with the children, lunchtime and teaching staff as well as parents to develop resilience, joy and compassion in play over a series of workshops in the Autumn Term. We are also consulting with teaching staff about a new class organisation policy, this will enable us to evaluate how children are allocated to classes and if we should change our policy. If you have an opinion about this please stop and chat to me at drop off or pick up.

Although the calendar on my desk shows May looking out of my window one could be fooled into thinking it was October! I do hope the rain stops for a little this weekend and that we all have time to play outside! Take care.



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This week's attendance superstars are:

FSDT 97% 2KM 100% 4H 100%



This week's points totals are:

Ireland = 2954 Morrison = 2895 Welton = 2781 Wilfrid = 2924

### **AGM Update**



Thank you to everyone who joined the KPA meeting on Tuesday evening. We are delighted that Felicity Lawrence has agreed, under more than a little pressure to be the KPA Chair. She will be supported by Heidi Buckley as Secretary and Kathryn Henrys as Treasurer.

A massive thank you to Kirsty and Kathryn for organising the meeting and working so hard to get the KPA going again. It is such a valuable part of our school community. We would like to thank Holly for her work as Chair, hope that her move is successful and pass on our good wishes for her next adventure.

The next meeting will take place at 7pm on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June via Zoom. Please do join the Team as they start to plan the much needed fundraising activities. The KPA are very eager to know what the children would like to raise funds for.

#### Please Remember ...

- Lessons start at 8:55am—please ensure your child is in school on time.
- If your child is unwell and not able to come into school please notify the office before 9:30 am.
- Hair must be tied back if it is shoulder length or longer.
- If your child wears earrings they must only be small round studs and shouldn't be worn on PE days.
- Nail varnish should not be worn in school.
- Despite the need to celebrate...please do not send your child to school in a football shirt.

#### **Reading Raffle**



This week's winner is:

Evie 2W

**PE Stars** 



This week's winners were:

Reggie FSM

Dillon 5B

#### Year 5 - The Highwayman

Over the last couple of weeks, we have been using the poem by Alfred Noyes called 'The Highwayman' to help us with our learning. This narrative poem is about a highwayman (a man who makes his living by ambushing innocent victims and stealing their riches) and Bess, a beautiful 'red-lipped' lady with a 'cascade of long back hair'. These two characters are madly in love with each other but sadly it's not a happy tale and we soon discovered there were many twists and turns in the plot.

After spending lots of lessons looking at how the poet creates strong images in the readers' mind with his powerful vocabulary, we've had a go at replicating his skills. Year 5 have all taken on the challenge of writing some missing verses for the poem. We have all enjoyed coming up with impressive figurative language and trying to follow the same rhyming patter.

The jagged lightning let off a thunderous echo,

Bleached skeletons of trees were dying in the meadow.

With a shaggy mane like a lion watching its prey,

Tim the ostler listened,

Listened, listened.

Tim the ostler listened as he heard the robber say.

By Issy



A giant spear of lighting shot down through the dark black sky,

And as the rickety door of the stable screeched like a man about to die,

With his crimson red blood whipping around his heart,

The ostler's hand slapped on the table,

Slapped, slapped, slapped,

His hand slapped down on the table as he sent a messenger to depart.

By Toby

## Discovery Live 'Technology in the Classroom and Blended Learning' Wednesday 26th May 2021

7pm - 8pm

The next Discovery Live event has been scheduled as an opportunity to hear directly from our Director of Primary Education, David Briggs and Jo Stone, Lead Professional for Ed Tech as they discuss and explain the future of technology in the classroom and how the upskilling from remote education will be translated into the classroom. The session will be followed by a Q&A for parents.

These events have proved hugely popular and if you would like to join this event please follow this **LINK** 





Year 6

Noah

Year 5

Finley, Arthur and Samuel

Year 4

**Amelia and Laurie** 

Year 3

Alana and Isaac

Year 2

Evie

Year 1

Danny, Joseph, Christopher and Javier

Foundation



**28.05.2021** - Last day of term **07.06.2021** - Return to school

# Recycle your ink cartridges at school

We have placed a box in the entrance hall for used computer ink cartridges. Please help us to collect as many as we can because not only will it help the environment the school will also be able to use the used cartridges to raise money. Thank you!

