

HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



FRIDAY 13th JANUARY 2022

FAMILY TIME!

Our week got off to a lovely start by saying thank you for our families during our Act of Worship on Monday morning. We also thought about the joy a new baby brings to a family and we had two special visitors to join us. Marcus, Alistair and Jarrod's little brother, who was born in November was brought in by Mum. We were also joined by Seven; Red, Bleu and Willow's new baby sister, who was born in December. Both Mums explained how each family celebrated their new addition and we gave thanks for all of our families, noting how each family is different.

Mrs Hookway took a group of children to The Angel Centre on Wednesday morning for the Infant Physical Literacy Festival. The ten children took part in activities including skipping, balancing, catching, bowling and target throwing. All of the children had great fun!

You will have seen the lights that are at the junction of Powder Mill Lane and High Brooms Road. This has made an already dangerous junction even worse. Please can you reinforce with your children how to cross the road safely and model this by using the zebra crossing, rather than crossing on the corner. Can you also be considerate in your parking and avoid parking on the double yellow lines on the corners, as this makes it dangerous to cross. We have spoken to the children who walk independently to and from school, to remind them about road safety, so we would appreciate you doing the same. We all need to do all we can to keep everyone safe .

NEXT WEEK

- On Monday, our netball team will be playing a match against St James'. They have been training hard, so we wish them all the best.
- On Wednesday, our football team will be playing a match against St Augustine's. Again, we wish them all the best and look forward to hearing how they get on.
- On Friday there will be a PTA meeting in the New Hall at 2.15pm. This is open to all parents, even if you haven't been to one before. As you saw last term the PTA provide excellent support to the school and they would welcome any additional help to maintain this.
- Please see your emails for contact from Mrs Aspinall regarding applying for £100 to help with energy bills. **NB: This is for families NOT receiving Free School Meals (linked to income) and who have less than £250 savings.**

**TERM 3 ENDS ON FRIDAY 10th
JANUARY**



FULFILLING GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL



This is a quick round up of what has been happening in each year group this week. You can see what the staff have got to say about the pupils across the School.



School News

YR	This week we have been learning about animals on the farm. We have used our phonics to sound out clues for farm animals for other children to guess. We have seen lots of baby brothers and sisters this week as part of our RSE topic and linked to worship on Monday.
Y1	We have been working on giving and writing instructions. We made superhero wrist cuffs and then wrote instructions on how to make them. We have also given each other instructions to move a superhero around a grid.
Y2	In Year 2 we have started our new book, 'Where the Wild Things are'. We have written descriptions of the main character, Max and the island where the story takes place. We have also used collage and drawing to create our own Wild Thing masks. In Maths we have been learning about money, we can identify all the coins and notes and can use them to make different amounts of money.
Y3	Year 3 did some great digital mapping in the ICT suite this week. They created different lines, colours, shapes and textures using PowerPoint. We have been learning about the fascinating journey of bananas from the plantations.
Y4	We have had an exciting time designing our baskets, then making them. We had to make some last minute design changes! We then tested them. Could they carry 9 apples?
Y5	Year 5 Have been learning about Hurricane Katrina through the class text 'A Storm Called Katrina' and watching some old news reports. We wrote some marvellous descriptive poems which included powerful verbs, effective adjectives, personification and similes. 5S enjoyed a rather soggy Forest School session yesterday. They took refuge under the canopy and used various materials to make fire!
Y6	Year 6 have continued working with fractions in their Maths lessons this week, and have been concentrating very hard! In English, we have written letters to Amelia Scott, remembering the key features when writing letters. In RE, we have continued learning about Muslim practices. This has included understanding why Muslims observe Ramadan and learning about the pilgrimage during Hajj. The children have found this really interesting!

WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

MONDAY

5S
5C
Lorikeets
Kookaburras
4R

Swimming 4VC

TUESDAY

Owls
Robins
6W
6H

WEDNESDAY

3DB
3TWB
4VC
4R
6W
6H

THURSDAY

3TWB
3DB
Owls
Robins

FRIDAY

Ducklings
Goslings
Lorikeets
Kookaburras

FOREST SCHOOL 5C