

# HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

## SUPPORTIVE PARENTS

Our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions have been very popular this week, and it has been lovely to welcome so many parents into school. It's been a chance to find out a little more about the year and how you can support your children's learning. We look forward to seeing Year 6 and year 4 parents next week.

Thank you to the parents who have come into school to help set up our outside area for Reception. They have been busy planting, painting, digging and mending to make the environment a great place for our youngest children to learn. Older siblings have been roped in too, as you can see in the photo!

I have been lucky enough to take families around the school this week and it has been a pleasure to see the children working hard and enjoying their learning.

As a whole school, we have thought about Jesus the teacher, and what we can learn from him about our actions. Our school rules are based on our Christian Values of Responsibility, Honesty, Kindness and Respect, and we have been thinking about how we show these throughout the school day both in lessons and at playtime.

I've loved seeing our clubs getting going again this week. They are very popular and give opportunities for children to improve their skills and talents in sporting and creative ways.

## NEXT WEEK

Our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions continue. Please come in to find out what your children will be doing this year.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept – Year 6

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Sept – Year 4

2:45-3:05pm

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept – The school photographer is in for individual photographs

You are warmly invited to attend a parent presentation on our new behaviour for learning policy on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 9:00am in the New Hall. Come and find out what our expectations are and how we can work together to support your children.

Overall attendance is 95% this week.



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.



YR	This week we have been continuing to explore the inside and outdoor areas. We have had lovely parents in helping us to re-do our mud kitchen and the children have been great at helping us tidy up and giving us lots of ideas. We are settling into routines and looking forward to staying for lunch on Friday.
Y1	This week in Year 1 we have read 'Look Up', which is all about Space! We made telescopes and checklists for Space camp. We've done lots of work on reading and spelling 'tricky' words and have begun working on spelling numbers to ten.
Y2	This week in Year 2 we have started our book The Lonely Beast. We have been predicting what will happen in the story. We have created freeze frames of scenes in the story, and thought about what characters might be thinking or feeling. In science, we have started our topic about animals including humans, and focused on animal offspring. We learnt that not all offspring look like the adult animal when they are born.
Y3	This week we have been listening, reading and enjoying animal poems. We have spotted adjectives in poems and used these to inspire us to write class poems. In Forest School, we designed a hide thinking about how to make it stable using the resources we had.
Y4	In science, we are classifying animals in different ways. This week we are looking at invertebrates. In literacy, we have had fantastic and original ideas using adjectives to write character descriptions. 4VC had a great time swimming and 4B really enjoyed their basketball lessons this week. In RE, we have been looking at the creation story.
Y5	Year 5 used the language in our text - Around the World in Eighty Days - to study characterisation and develop our own creative writing. In science, we learnt more about the moon's phases and found ways to explain the process. We continued coding our Scratch space games, adding movement and additional sprites.
Y6	This week, Year 6 have been thinking about precious objects and using precise vocabulary to describe them; thinking about how the story of evolution links to the story of the big bang; learning about the heart and making a scientific clay model of one; using continuous lines to create portraits and choosing our house captains and prefects.

### WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

#### MONDAY

5S  
5B  
Lorikeets  
Kookaburras  
4B

**Swimming 4VC**

#### TUESDAY

Owls  
Robins  
6W  
6H

#### WEDNESDAY

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

#### THURSDAY

3TWB  
3DB  
Owls  
Robins

#### FRIDAY

Ducklings  
Goslings  
Lorikeets  
Kookaburras

#### FOREST SCHOOL

3DB