

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

This week in Collective Worship we brought together all of our thoughts about Wisdom.

As I reflected with staff at the end of the week, there is a real danger that we all think of Wisdom as something lofty and unattainable and we therefore simply switch off or tune out if asked to think about it. We perhaps associate Wisdom with great philosophers, heroes from Greek mythology or significant historical figures. It is all too easy to dismiss Wisdom as being beyond the reach of us 'ordinary folk'.

But, as we have explored Wisdom together, I think we have come to realise that it is for all of us, whatever our age or status.

I think that Wisdom is not often about the big things, rarely about the mind-blowing or the unfathomable. Wisdom is much more frequently about the little, every day decisions. Wisdom can often be found in taking the time to pause before we act, in stopping and making a small change, or in the choices we make about who we want to be.

The Bible passages we have looked at together have encouraged us to ask God for Wisdom, and Christians believe that they can be helped in their everyday decision making by praying and asking God to help them make good and wise choices.

For all of us though, we can increase our Wisdom by seeking the counsel of others, or by taking time to think more carefully about the impact of our actions on others. We can all be wiser in our thoughts and actions – it is achievable for everyone!

As adults, we can often provide Wisdom for our children, especially when things are tricky. In school, the Wisdom of adults is not simply in the classroom, imparting knowledge, it is much further reaching than that. The Wisdom of adults is in gently encouraging your children to think about the people around them, it is a little nudge towards an alternative course of action, an encouragement that today's concerns will soon be past.

It is my experience that 'The Wisdom that comes from God is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere' James 3 verse 7. I think that is the Wisdom that will make not just our school, but our wider community a safer, calmer and happier place for us all.

Wishing you all a peaceful and restorative Bank Holiday weekend – with maybe some sunshine!

Values Awards

As always, it was a great joy to recognise the children who this week have been demonstrating our Values.

There are a myriad of ways in which the thoughts and actions of individuals can bless and encourage our community and your children demonstrate this every day.



News from Around the School

As part of their learning about fractions, our children in Year 4 enjoyed pizza making this week! It was the best tasting maths lesson they have ever had! The whole school smelled amazing.



Wild Walk and Fundraising

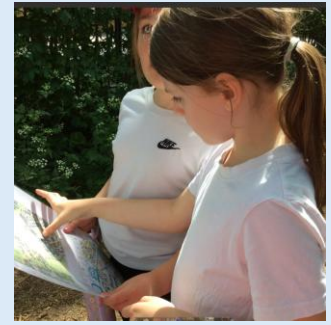
We are so grateful to The Friends for all the work that is going in to organising the Wild Walk on 15th May. All children will need to come into school wearing their PE kit on that day.

If you are able to get sponsorship for your children, then please do complete the sponsorship form that was sent home.

On Friday 22nd May, for a small donation, children can wear whatever they like to school, they do not have to wear their school uniform. Monies raised will go towards The Friends.

More News from Around the School

Our children in Year 3 enjoyed a lovely walk in the sunshine as part of their Geography work this week. The children used O.S. maps and a satellite picture to navigate their way to the river.



The Sound of Music!

In Collective Worship on Friday, it was wonderful to hear from our children in Year 3 who have been enjoying singing and playing glockenspiels as part of their learning in Music.



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