

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

In Collective Worship this week, we have continued to think about Peace. It has been very peaceful listening to calming music as we have walked into and left Collective Worship!

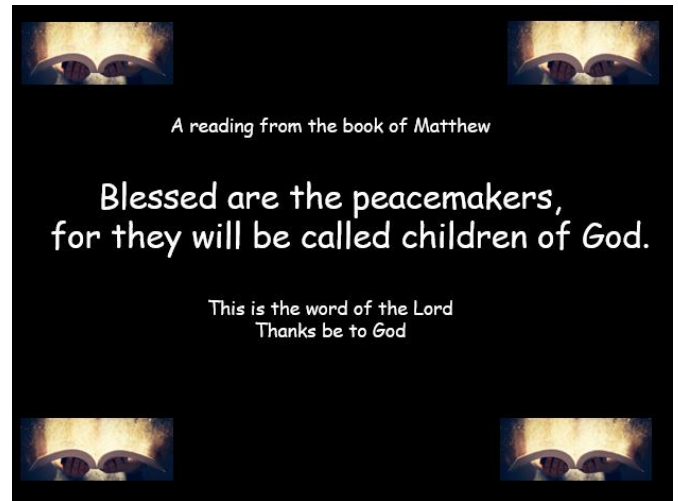
This week in Collective Worship we thought particularly about one of Jesus' sayings from his famous Sermon on the Mount, in which he calls peacemakers, blessed. We thought together about what it might mean to be a peacemaker and that led us to thinking about being curious, not furious.

Unusually for Collective Worship, this week I set everyone some homework. I asked them to go away and in their classes think about how they can be more curious than furious. I will be sharing the children's answers with them during Collective Worship next week.

As part of thinking about being curious not furious we asked ourselves the questions,

- Why might someone be behaving crossly?
- Why is someone not able to be at peace with someone else?
- Why has something gone wrong?

We realised that when things go wrong, something else is usually going on. Sometimes the answer to our curious question might be as simple as our friend being tired, or hungry. Sometimes however the answer might be much more complicated, perhaps our friend is having a tough time at home, maybe things are hard for them.



**GET
CURIOUS**



**NOT
FURIOUS**

Being a peacemaker is choosing to be curious, to try and understand what is really going on, rather than simply being furious at the wrong that has happened.

I hope that this week, your children have shown a bit more curiosity when faced with family members who are perhaps a bit cross or grumpy! We have certainly been trying in school to understand what is going on for other people, rather than simply being furious.

As always, it was a joy to end Collective Worship by celebrating children who have been working hard at showing our Values. In a busy summer term, when days can get a bit hot and bothered, sticking to our Values and living them out is a real achievement, well done to them all.

News from Around the School

This week it was the turn of our children in Years 4, 5 and 6 to enjoy some sports in the sun. Like the younger children the previous week, the children all threw themselves into the events with great enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Well done to everyone for competing with such enthusiasm and pleasure.






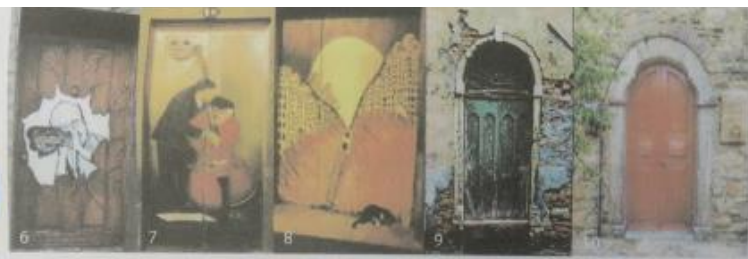
Writing Around the School

This week there has been much cause for celebration!



Eight of our children received writing awards, for producing a piece of writing that is worthy of publication!

Two of our Year 6 children received a Headteacher's Award for some phenomenal pieces of written work. In Year 6, the children were given a picture of a door, they had to produce a short piece of written work detailing what was behind the door. Both pieces of written

work were read to the office team who felt very strongly that they would rather go through door ten than door seven!

I think door 7 / the list will take me to a posh and expensive dinner party where there are violin and cello players. I believe this because on the grout of the door is a cello player, ^{I think} the party would be held in an elegant ballroom the colours of honey and gold. Behind door 9 I think there is a pitch black void haunted by the souls and remnants of the dishonored and forgotten. Dissonant and incomprehensible screams of pain and agony lost to the monsters of the deep. The metallic taste of blood and rancid smell of flesh silling your mouth and nose.

Number ten looks like it's on a castle and there's a ^{delicious} medieval feast on the other side with crumbling stone walls and sizzling candle lights. I think number two would take you to an Italian town in the early 19th century with the smell of the salty ocean with boats trying to catch fish, and music playing on a record player, and the smell of a bakery ~~eat~~ taking fresh bread. And a man on a bench on the beach looking at the sun reflecting on the crystal clear ocean.



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