

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

Next week in school we will be celebrating harvest.

I love harvest! It is a time to celebrate God's goodness to us, to remember all the blessings that we receive. It is a time to be grateful for those who work the land on our behalf and all those who seek to ensure that we have food on our plates.

Harvest is a time when the maxim 'You reap what you sow' can be seen played out across the world. If farmers did not sow and tend their crops there would be no harvest. And it is not just farmers who know the truth of the maxim, each of us will I am sure be able to recall occasions where our action (or inaction) has led to consequences that were entirely as expected... we have reaped what we have sown, for better or worse!

And yet, as I will be sharing with the children in Collective Worship next week, the Christian message offers us all something different. Rather than it being a message of 'you get what you deserve', God gives us grace, we do not simply reap what we sow.

In school, we also seek to live out grace. No matter what has gone before, there is always a fresh start, each day is a new beginning.

And that is the reason that I love harvest, because it reminds me that no matter what I deserve, whatever has gone before, God extends grace to me, I can start again – it is a remarkable gift.

Harvest is a time when we can all be grateful for what we have and that can lead us to generosity to those who have less than we do. In school we will therefore be having our usual collection of non-perishable goods only, which will then be given to Besom to distribute to those in need in our community. Children will be able to add their contribution to our harvest display on Monday morning. If you would like to contribute, please send your child in with a non-perishable food item on Monday morning.

Next week and the following, you have all been offered opportunities to meet with class teachers to discuss how your child is settling in and how you can work with us to best support your child. I hope that you will find these meetings not only helpful, but also encouraging. Your children have made a fantastic start to the school year – there is much to celebrate.

It was wonderful to be a part of The Friend's AGM this week and to discuss with them their plans for the coming academic year. Do look out for information about the 100 club, the school disco, a quiz and a Christmas raffle. I am enormously grateful to The Friends for all that they continue to do to support the school financially, their hard work makes all the difference to our children.

Wishing you all a good weekend.



Shoebboxes

Look out for information that will be coming to you at the start of next week regarding this year's shoebox campaign.

We look forward to being able to support this very worthwhile cause and bring Christmas to joy to those less fortunate than us across the world.

News from Around the School

Last week, the children in Mrs Henderson's Year 6 class led the Friday class assembly. It was wonderful to hear them talk about all the work that they have been doing and to see examples of it. Their concentric circles artwork was very impressive. However, we also enjoyed looking at their working walls, which they are using to help support their written work on 'War Horse' and finding out about their work in History, PE and Maths.

