

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

Our Collective Worship this week left us all with a lot to think about and provided every one of us with a big challenge!

Our Bible passage was from Matthew chapter 5 verses 38 to 44, it contains words that are familiar to many of us –

'You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles.'

Some of our children displayed great acting skills as they demonstrated turning the other cheek and walking an extra mile!

Turning the other cheek is totally counter to what we feel in the moment, and even after the moment! We all agreed that it is really hard!

For children, turning the other cheek reminds them of playground challenges or a classroom falling out, and they all know how hard it is not to react or not to return an unkind word. I know that when there have been tricky moments this week, adults in school have reminded children about what we discussed during Collective Worship. The theory in Collective Worship was certainly easier than the practice on the playground!

And, of course, the same is true for us as adults, it is much easier to talk about forgiveness than it is to do it! It is much easier to say that we will be the bigger person, to give more than we are asked, to let others have more than their share, than it is to actually live out those things.

At the heart of the Christian story of Easter is love and forgiveness. Jesus did not retaliate, even when he was accused falsely and terrible things were done to him, his behaviour is an example to all of us.

Well done to all of the children who this week have, sometimes against all the odds, shown our Values.

Congratulations!

On Tuesday this week, our Year 6 boy's footballers played their semi-final match against Finstock School.

It was a very closely fought game with the boys coming back from 3-1 down to a closing score line of 3-3.

It was then all down to penalties from which The Blake School team emerged victorious!

The boys played with real maturity and were very sportsmanlike throughout the match and as they won the game.

The final will be played after the Easter break.



News from Around the School

As part of their topic on space, the children in Year 1 spent a great day designing and building rockets – there are definitely some future engineers in our Year 1 cohort.



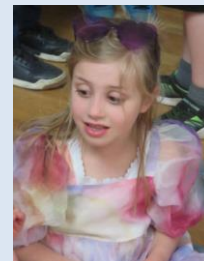
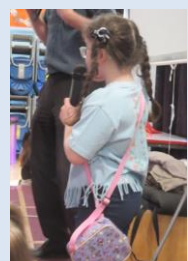
More News from Around the School

This afternoon, the children in Year 4 really enjoyed completing their Art work outside in the sunshine. The children were learning about sketching and shading, they all chose a tree to sketch.



D-I-S-C-O!

Many thanks to The Friends of The Blake School who organised the disco that took place after school today. A lot of fun was had by all!



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