

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

This week in Collective Worship on Monday, Mrs Hayes brought together all our thoughts from across the month on our Value of Service.

This morning in Collective Worship we had the opportunity to reflect together on three members of staff who have served our community over many years, but who today are leaving the school.

For all of you, Claire Hurley is very often the first face (and voice) of the school. Though she worked for some time as a Teaching Assistant, she is most well known for her role front of house. Claire has been unflappable, taking on badly behaved photocopiers, finding lost lunchboxes and calling home to deliver news of another bumped head with equal skill and efficiency. Claire has served the whole school community without hesitation and with a smile. We will all miss Claire, but wish her well as she returns to a career in manufacture.

In her role as lunchtime supervisor, Kathy Rusher has served your children on the playground and in the lunch hall. Helping to keep your children safe, resolving playtime fallings out and picking up the wounded, Kathy has cared for your children and served through boiling hot summer days and freezing cold winter ones!

Even though she has served our community for longer than either Claire or Kathy few of you will ever have heard of Ann Jephcott, still less be able to put a face to the name. Ann has, day in and day out, faithfully cleaned our school, hoovering, emptying bins, scrubbing toilets and mopping floors. Her service may be unseen by parents and children, but we have all benefitted from it.

Service comes in all shapes and sizes; it will look different for each of us. Each of the three members of staff that we celebrated and thanked today have used their gifts to serve the school community. And all across the school, adults are using their different skills and knowledge to serve your children and you as parents. Building community takes all of us to play our part, whether our Service is there for all to see like Claire Hurley or hidden from most, like Ann Jephcott. I believe that no act of Service is ever wasted, it will make a difference. So, as I have been encouraging your children – give it a go!

Christmas cards

The children should all have brought home with them today the templates for their Christmas cards.

The deadline for ordering the cards is 14th October.

Please do look at the designs and follow the instructions that came with the template to order your Christmas items.

We believe there are a few templates missing. If you do not have one for your child, please [email the school office](#) and it will be chased up for you.

Values Awards

Congratulations to all the children who this week were recognised for showing our School Values.

Thank you also to all the children who have noticed food/rubbish on our hall floor over lunchtime and have taken a moment to pick/sweep it up. Your service has made a huge difference to the lunchtime team and also made the hall a nicer place for all of us!



News from Around the School

In PE this week, the children in Year 4 played a game called 'Cops and Robbers'. The children worked in teams in order to improve their chances of success. Everyone worked hard and ran lots!



Just a reminder that all children have an indoor and an outdoor PE lesson during the week, they will go outside in all weathers. Please make sure your children are wearing PE kit that allows them to be warm even when outside in the winter. Our PE kit is a plain white t-shirt, plain black shorts or joggers and a red jumper/cardigan/hoodie with the school logo.

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