

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

It was a great joy to welcome Rev Matt Beer to Collective Worship on Monday of this week. Matt has previously met some of the older children, but it was great to be able to introduce him to our younger ones.

In Collective Worship we continued to think about our value of Perseverance, thinking particularly about how God perseveres. This week we listened to the parable of 'The Lost Sheep'. In the parable, the shepherd has 100 sheep, one of which goes missing. The shepherd leaves the 99 sheep to go and find the one that is lost. The parable reminded us of the fact that Christians believe God loves each of us and that he continues to seek after us.

Love always perseveres, which was a good reminder for all of us – especially at the end of term, when we are all tired!

The past few weeks have seen children particularly in Years 2 and 6 persevere as they have undergone SATs. Your children have been calm and have been able to show all that they know and have learned.

Our children in Year 4 have all shown perseverance this week as they have been on their residential at Windmill Barn, Clanfield. Please do enjoy looking at the photos later in this newsletter – if you want to see more of what they got up to, please look on our website.

As I shared with you all last week, my role as Executive Head at Leaffield Primary School has now come to an end. I am delighted that I will therefore be able to be a more constant presence at The Blake; I am really looking forward to being more visible around the school during next term.

Values Awards

As always, it was a great pleasure to congratulate the children who this week were nominated for a Values Award. At this point in the year it is such a joy to see how children are maturing and making conscious decisions to live by our Values.



The Big Summer Sing

Mrs Raven took 30 members of the choir to sing with other schools in an evening that was a great celebration of music. The children sang brilliantly and with great enthusiasm.



News from Around the School

In Year 2, we are learning about physical and human features. On Monday, Year 2 went for a walk into Witney town to see how many human and physical features they could see.

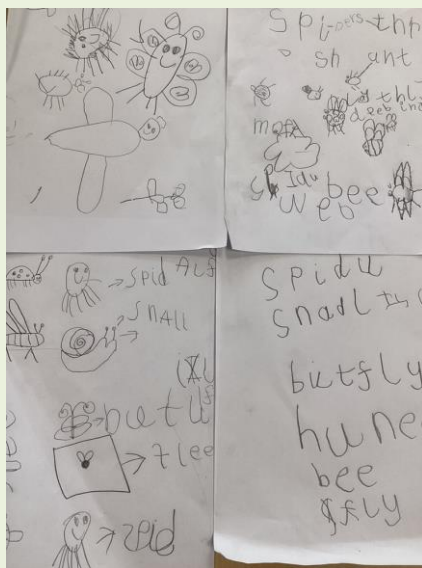
For the last few weeks, Year 2 has been completing many secret missions! They chose a code name, created a disguise photo and even stamped fingerprint in the booklet to ensure they were properly ready for their missions.

Some missions were tricky, Priority Missions, and others were easier, code breaking missions. On Wednesday children were invited to a Spy Training Camp. Children were all able to dress up in disguise and bring their secret sidekick teddy to school!



More News from Around the School

The children in Reception have been learning about growing and sowing, they have been on a bug hunt on the field and playground; they recorded their findings with writing and pictures, Mrs Rump, even held a butterfly! They looked for signs of spring and summer outside and made nature bracelet with buttercups, daisies and pretty pink flowers. We think they look great!



News from Out and About

The children in Year 4 have spent the past two days at Windmill Barn in Clanfield, the home of Adventure+. The children had a great time and enjoyed many new challenges with their friends. Well done to all of them!





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