

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

This week in Collective Worship on Monday, England's defeat in the Euro football final was still very raw. The genuine disappointment felt by many in the room was a useful springboard for us to talk about the ups and downs of life.

As we thought particularly about how we are called to respect nature and all that God has created, we began by thinking about all the things in the natural world that don't change. The sun comes up and goes down, the seasons come and go. While we grappled with the England result, it was helpful to remember that despite the joys and the sorrows, life goes on.

We read an account of the creation story, thinking about the imagery and the key messages that we can take from the creation account. We soon realised that for most of us, there is much about creation and our world that is a mystery!

However, one thing that we could all agree on was the fact that our world needs respect and that we are called to look after it. Together we started to think about how we can respect our world and the things that we can do whether we are children or adults to look after it. Children continued their thinking in their classrooms during the week and have started to generate some lists of things that they can do – it may be that you can encourage your children at home to do some of the things that they have identified in school.

It was clear to all of us that if we don't respect our world, then it will not be the beautiful place to live in that we currently enjoy. Respecting our world is therefore in the best interests of all of us.

We closed by thinking about how you have to give respect to get respect. We could each think of someone who shows respect to others and we could recognise how that person has earned the respect of others.

This week has been a very busy week in school with performances, trips, parties and celebrations. I hope your children have been enjoying looking back on the past year and can see how far they have come, not only in their learning, but also as they have learned how to better live in community and how to take responsibility for their decisions and actions.

I have been very moved by the comments that have come back into school already on the report feedback forms. Thank you for your kindness in appreciation of the staff team at The Blake, your kind words have been very touching. But the last word goes in celebration of your children, recognised by so many of you as having had a year of which to be proud. Well done to them all!

Values Awards

Even right at the very end of the school year, it is a delight to continue to celebrate children doing their very best to live according to our Values. Well done to each and every one of them for keeping being kind, patient, forgiving and persevering right through to the end of the year.



News from Around the School

This week the Year 6 area was full of amazing smells as the children prepared and cooked their own burgers...



Music from Around the School – Thank you for the Music

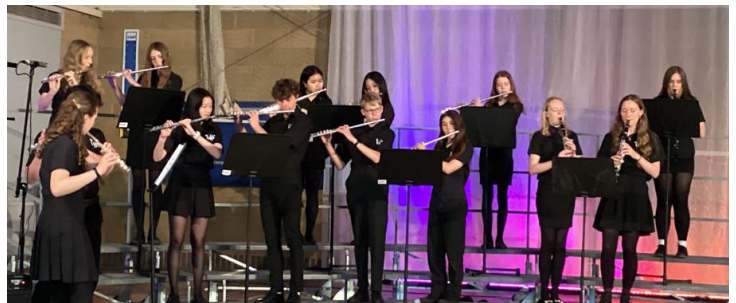
A HUGE well done to everyone involved in our end of year music concert this week. The standard of playing and singing was amazing and everyone left with a spring in their step. Our thanks to Mrs Raven and Mrs Hayes for all their organisation.



Thank you for the music...

Out and About

Our children in Year 5 had a wonderful visit to Wood Green this week to listen to a shortened version of their end of term music concert. The music was inspirational! It was a particular joy to see so many former Blake pupils performing.



News from The Nurture Base

Over the past two years, a small group of children have benefitted from additional Nurture Provision in School. Those children have increasingly been joining their peers in their learning and from September will be ready to join them full-time. It was great to hear from the children in Collective Worship about what nurture has meant to them.



News from Around the School – Diggin' holes!

What a wonderful performance the Year 6 children put on for their parents and grandparents this week – congratulations to them all for performing with such courage and style. You were all fantastic!





Loving, learning and flourishing in Community