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'The Best for Every Child -a Unique Child of God'
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Dear Parent / Carers

Our Christian Value this term is **Perseverance**

Our Ethos Statement this week is: **Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. Hebrews 12: 1-2**

Spring Term

What a chilly week it has been this week! Thank you for sending your children in warm coats and appropriate footwear for playing outside.

This week we had a very productive meeting with Ana our OPAL link person ☺ She worked with us to gain an understanding of our baseline as we embark upon our Outdoor Play and Learning journey. Already the children are enjoying the resources that are put out for lunchtime play – please keep us going with cardboard boxes as they are a real hit for creative play over the lunch break. Ana is coming back next week to look at how we can best use all of our school grounds at lunch time.

Our Year 5 children had a wonderful time at Kingswood activity centre. They had such a fun-filled and challenging time punctuated by food that they all enjoyed! A big thankyou goes out to our staff who supported year 5 whilst they were away.

We had a fantastic turnout for the year 4 Stay and Play Maths morning. Lots of positive comments about the maths that our children are learning from our parents and grandparents were shared. Thank you for supporting your child with this. Also in year 4 Fr Paul and Pat Swann shared an information evening about our children making their Communion. This is an exciting time where Bishop Tony will admit children to Communion.

Pupil of the Week

<p>RB</p> <p>Our pupil of the week is Finley McNeil. Finley has been making excellent progress, particularly in his Maths and his English work. Finley works hard and perseveres. He is a kind and friendly member of our class. Well done Finley! 😊</p>	<p>RC</p> <p>This week our pupil of the week is Harry Faulkner, he is such an enthusiastic, kind boy and a pleasure to have in class. Harry has shown such perseverance with his phonics and has made incredible progress. We are really proud of you Harry, well done. 😊</p>
<p>1K</p> <p>1K's pupil of the week is Bethany Williams. Bethany has really impressed me with her</p>	<p>1RM</p> <p>Our pupil of the week this week is Sam. Sam has worked really hard in his maths this week,</p>

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<p>Maths work this week. She has been writing her numbers up to 20 correctly and identifying tens and ones. She has also been working hard on her handwriting and using finger spaces between words. Well done Bethany 😊</p>	<p>working on place value and tens and ones. He has had a super attitude towards his learning and his work is presented neatly. Well done! 😊</p>
<p>2J Our pupil of the week this week in 2J is Millie Richardson. Millie has really been standing out to me in all lessons this week for all the right reasons. Her hand has been up a lot to answer questions in class and she's persevering to neaten up her handwriting - making her tall letters tall and her small letters small. Millie is also becoming an expert at reading the time on the clock and is now confident with o'clock, half past, quarter to and quarter past. Keep it up Millie! 😊</p>	<p>2S This week we have chosen Gracie Pallister-Smith as our pupil of the week. Gracie is an always child who consistently tries to push herself to do her absolute best! She has especially impressed me with her English work and the lovely vocabulary choices she makes. She also a wonderful, expressive reader and always has her hand up to discuss what she has read. Gracie is also a lovely friend and an excellent role model. Keep up all your hard work Gracie, well done! 😊</p>
<p>3P This week I have chosen Isaac Clark as our pupil of the week. Isaac has been working very hard with the presentation of his work and has produced a fantastic set of instructions on 'How to wash a Woolly Mammoth!' He has put incredible effort into improving his handwriting and we are all proud to see his improvements. Isaac has also shown a super attitude to his learning in our new topics, working particularly well as part of a team to identify different types of rocks in Science. Well done Isaac! 😊</p>	<p>3R This week I have chosen Sebastian for his fantastic work in English. Sebastian has written a super set of instructions on How To Wash a Woolly Mammoth, including lots of time openers, adverbs and tops tips. He's also impressed me in maths with how well he has got to grips with our column multiplication method and now he is pushing himself to complete the challenges. He has been an all round superstar this week! Well done Sebastian - keep it up! 😊</p>
<p>4L My 4L Pupil of the Week is Boo Mellor for a wonderful week of learning! Boo has really impressed me with her fantastic attitude towards her learning in recent weeks. She has shown great enthusiasm towards our new English unit based on graphic novels and even earned her Pen Licence with her well formed and consistent handwriting. Boo has also shown great knowledge and understanding of our new x and ÷ methods in maths, demonstrating how our times tables can really help with this. Well done Boo, keep up the hard work! 😊</p>	<p>4W Well done to all of 4W for another fantastic week. This week, our pupil of the week is Elizabeth Sample. Beth has had a fab week and has really impressed both Mrs Wilson and I with her enthusiasm in school. She has been working hard in all lessons, demonstrating great perseverance when learning new written methods in maths. She has also really impressed with her superb singing in worship! Well done, Beth. 😊</p>
<p>5E Jamie Nathan-Moss is our pupil of the week this week. He has tackled our long multiplication with great expertise and equally so with short division, leading to success in his written mixed word problems. Well done, Jamie! 😊</p>	<p>5H I have chosen Summer Yates-Cass as my pupil of the week this week because she has really impressed me with her contributions in class discussion. She has been really engaged, putting her hand up and just working really hard! Well done Summer for a brilliant work ethic this week, keep it up! 😊</p>
<p>6C Em Pickup for her incredible hard work in all aspects of school life in Year 6. In the</p>	<p>6M Isaac Nowland for his brilliant attitude throughout this week. He has shown great</p>

classroom, she always perseveres and puts in maximum effort, while also being relied upon to share her astute ideas and observations during class discussions. Beyond the classroom, Em works just as hard to keep the school running efficiently with her many roles, including organising worships. Keep up the superb efforts Em! 😊	perseverance to focus on all of the tasks he is doing and has really impressed me with his knowledge of percent during our maths lessons, and also his answers during our class discussions on The Hobbit; they are always knowledgeable and well-thought out. Well done Isaac on a brilliant week- keep it up 😊
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Dates for your diary

Fri 26-28 Jan Big Bird Spotting Sweepstake (PTA)
 Fri 2 Feb – Number Day
 Sat 3 Feb – Bake Off at church – information to follow
 Tues 6 February 9-10am Stay and Play Maths – Year 3
 Fri 9 February – school closes for half term
 W/C 5 Feb Friendship Week Bracelets (PTA)
 Fri 23 Feb Parents Quiz Night (PTA)
 Fri 1 March Dress Down Gift Donation (PTA)
 Fri 1 March Disco (PTA)

Start of the school day

Please remember that our school day starts at 8:50am. Once the children are in school, they begin their learning with activities to do as the register is called. These activities are revisiting previous learning ensuring that children are remembering those important facts. If it isn't a morning worship lessons then begin promptly. If your child misses the start of the day, they are missing essential learning. We know that there are many things that can happen to delay your morning start but please, where possible, be on the playground for the 8:50 start.

Home School Values

This term we will be focusing in school on the value PERSEVERANCE. Please find our Home School Values activities attached, we hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together.

Parent Prayer Group

Next meeting Wednesday 7th February. We meet in the school conference room from 9am with the meeting starting at 9:30. We finish at 10am – all are very welcome.

Ukulele Recital by Year 2

Year 2 will be performing a Ukulele recital on Wednesday 7th February at 9.45am to parents/carers and anyone else who is interested to hear what our children learn in their fabulous music lessons.



Mrs James (our music teacher) and our children have been working incredibly hard on their Ukulele skills since September and would like the opportunity to perform to an audience in order to showcase their new talents! Performing to an audience is also an important aspect of our music curriculum and the children will feel incredibly proud of what they have achieved.

We look forward to seeing you.

Miss Johnson (Year 2 teacher and music subject leader)

Y3 Maths stay and play – Tue 6 Feb (9 to 10am)

We will be running Maths stay and play sessions for Year 3, focusing on times tables. The session will be at 9am, with a presentation from Mrs Casling about strategies for x tables whilst the children are in worship, then a practical stay and play with the class from 9.30 - 10.00am.

If you are able to attend, please wait on the top playground at drop off time, and once the children are in the hall for worship at 9am a member of staff will take you into the classroom at 9am.

Number Day

On Friday 2nd February we will be celebrating number day in school. This year Maths and Geography are teaming up so the theme will be looking at how number and maths are used in geography.

The day is a fancy dress/dress down day to tie in with the theme - you might come dressed as something mathematical like a dice or calculator, or just with some numbers on your clothes. You might prefer to wear something linked to geography, perhaps camouflage or a compass costume! Be as creative as you like 😊



On the day we will be celebrating all things maths and geography with activities and quizzes, with the annual teacher estimate challenges taking place too!

Spare PE Kit (KS2)

We are short of spare PE kit for our older children. If you have any unwanted second hand joggers, leggings, shorts for older children please drop them in to the school office, they will be much appreciated. Many thanks, in advance

Great Science Share May 2024

Calling all parents working in science and technology industries. In May next year we will be celebrating and highlighting Science in school and our local community.

Due to the success of previous years, we would like to invite people to come into school and share their experiences of working in a scientific profession or industry. If anyone would be willing to get involved, or know of anyone that would, could you please contact Mr Clarke



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Children's Mental Health Week 2024

Children's Mental Health Week 2024 will take place from **5–11 February 2024**. This year's theme is '**My Voice Matters**'. On Friday 9th February we will be ending the week with a dress down day, with the theme of 'dress to express' - this is a chance for children to wear their favourite clothes, something that represents them (like a sporting outfit) or just something comfy and fun. During this week we will also be launching Zones of Regulation across school, which is a brilliant way of recognising and regulating our emotions...more information to follow.

Things we are collecting next if you have anything to donate...

- dolls prams and baby dolls
- pots and pans, kitchen utensils
- dressing up items - large enough to put on over uniform/coats etc such as hats,
- blazers, lab coats
- any outgrown wellies we can add to the wellie store



Mathletics

This week the trophy in KS1 goes to 1K, and in KS2 it goes to 3P - well done to all who contributed.

The top 10 mathletes this week for participation are...

1. Sienna Mae Hedger
2. Jenson Bryer
3. Frankie Munden
4. Alice Williams
5. Louis Endersby
6. Arsha Moosavi
7. Hana Tang
8. Nancy Cafferkey
9. Elsana Ganjpoor
10. William Prestwich

