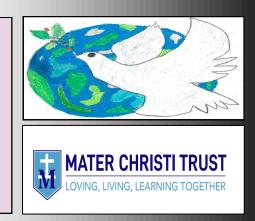


Newsletter Friday 3rd March 2023





School has been abuzz with colourful characters today and there has been lots of reading done by older children with younger children during our World Book Day celebrations. Thank you to you all for supporting your children and a special shout out to Alexis in Year 5 who looked fantastic!

Guided by the Holy Spirit, we listen, learn and care.

WONDERFUL PLACES TO READ COMPETITION

A huge thank you to all of those who entered our Wonderful Places to Read Competition. There were some truly Wonderful photographs and Mrs Tansey enjoyed looking at them all whilst having the tricky job of choosing our winners. Well done to Ellie in Y6, Elodie in Y5, Stanley in Y4, Max in Y3, Anna T in Y2, Milo Y2 and Raine Nursery and Olwyn in Reception.



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GREEN-FINGERED PEOPLE! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We need some helpers to clear some ground next to the playground for the children to plant some fruit trees. If you are able to help, please come along on Sunday 12th March between 2pm and 4pm with your own tools if possible! No children but the more the merrier to help us keep our prayer garden area a sunny space for all to use. Please let the office know if you are able to help.

CAFOD

Cafod are running the Big Lent Walk this year, which encourages people to get sponsored for walking 200km over the course of Lent to raise funds to fight global poverty. This is a great challenge to take on individually or as a family throughout Lent. More information is available directly through the website: <u>https://</u>

<u>walk.</u>cafod<u>.org.uk/</u>

LITTLE DEANIES

This week we have introduced our new topic, "Awe and Wonder". The children enjoyed discussing things that they would like to learn more about. We have started the topic with "Light and Dark" this week. We have also introduced "Changes in Spring", which we will continue to learn about throughout the rest of the half term.

For the topic Light and Dark, we have, drawn pictures of different objects we associate with light and dark. We have sorted every day routines into when they happen, when it is light/ dark. Furthermore, we have also explored shadows, learning about how they are made and drawn around different objects that make different shaped shadows. The led to discussions about the sun. Therefore, we role played the solar system.

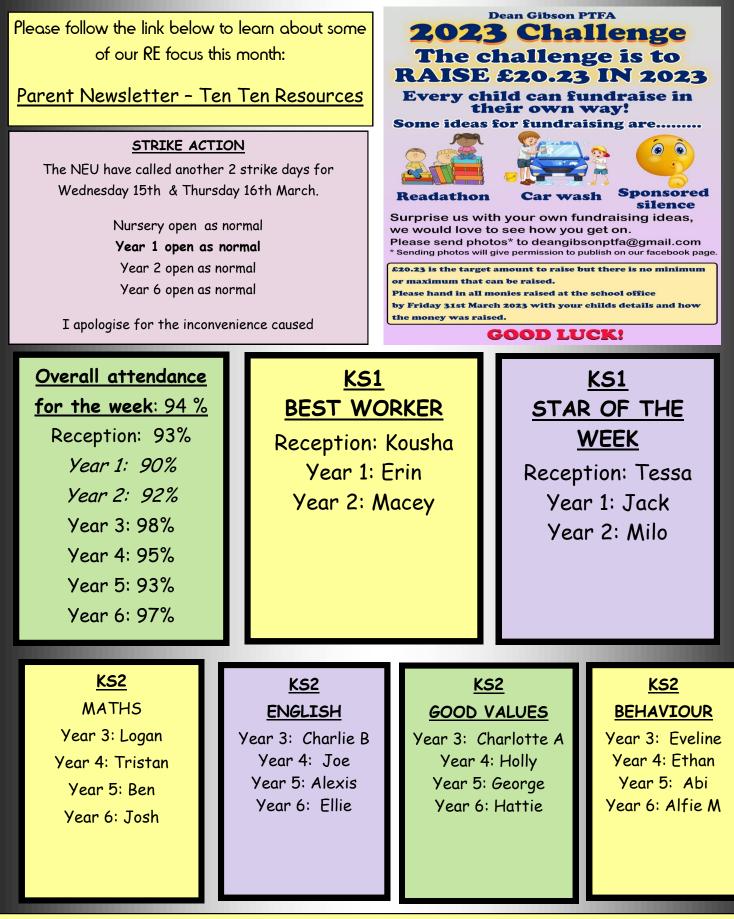
In regard to Spring, we have explored the garden to see what changes we are starting to see. One of our main observations was that plants were beginning to grow. Therefore, as a class we created a blossom tree and planted potatoes. We are looking forward to continuing our leaning about spring next week.

<u>Y6 Webinar for Parents and Carers</u>

Y6 Parents/carers- please see separate email regarding a webinar series specially tailored for parents/carers of adolescents, in collaboration with the Schools and Colleges Early Support Service. Please check emails for more information.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 16th March Year 6 Mass. Parents Evenings: Monday 20th March 2023 and Tuesday 21st March 2023 3:45pm—5:45pm Thursday 18th May 2023: Sports Day Friday 19th May (Reserve Sports Day)



CLASS MASS – YEAR 6

Father Hugh will be celebrating mass with Year 6 children on Thursday 16th March in school in the morning. Parents and parishioners are most welcome to attend.

END OF TERM

School closes for the Easter break on Thursday 30th March at 2pm and reopens for the summer term on Monday 17th April.



Cumbria's Holiday Activity & Food Programme update

Book your child's free place now Who is it for and how to book?

What is Cumbria's Holiday Activity and Food Programme?

Get ready for the Easter holidays Get a head start on a Easter of fun for your child by <u>booking them on to</u> one of our FREE Easter holiday activity places for school-aged children and young people aged 5-16.

Activities will be taking place across Cumbria throughout the Easter holidays. Use <u>Cumbria's Holiday Activity and Food Programme</u> webpage to search the range of activities on offer, and book using the booking instructions provided on the website.

Use the booking code **HAF 1** to demonstrate your Free School Meal eligibility status to providing organisations and get a funded place, courtesy of the Cumbria Holiday Activity and Food Programme.

Who is it for and how to book?

Activities are free of charge for children and young people who receive benefits-related Free School Meals and all children who attend will also be provided with a free meal.

If your child receives benefits-related Free School Meals, make sure you quote '**HAF 1**' when booking, to make sure they receive their free place. Places are limited and bookings will work on a first-come-first served basis. Find out more and book at <u>cumbria.gov.uk/holidays</u>