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'Developing the whole child'

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Our Christian value this term is Honesty

Chinese New Year Celebrations The whole school have enjoyed exploring Chinese culture today with our 'Chinese New Year Passport' morning. We have tried Chinese calligraphy; made a lantern, dragon and fan; taken part in Chinese Tai Chi; attempted tricky Chinese problem solving challenges; practised using chop sticks; built the Great Wall of China and learnt more about the Year of the Pig and traditional New Year customs such as giving money in special red envelopes. We worked in mixed age groups; Year 6 with their Reception buddies and had great fun with different teachers and classes across school.



NSPCC Speak out Stay Safe Presentations On Friday morning 8th February the NSPCC will be leading age appropriate presentations to support children in keeping themselves safe in a variety of contexts. The children have letters in their book bags today explaining this in detail.

Online Safety for children O2 shops have teamed up with the NSPCC to provide an online safety helpline which you can all for free on 0808 800 5002. They also provide the following service in their O2 stores: You can take your child's phone, tablet or laptop into the O2 store and they will help you set up parental controls.

School website. On our school website home page there is a link for further advice on online safety. Click **CEOP internet safety**.

Through the website there is also a link to **Espresso Discovery Education**. Login student23945 password bolton or access through www.espresso.co.uk/

Espresso Discovery Education has learning activities for all ages in school. If you put **online safety** into the search, lots of helpful resources are available.

Parent Teacher Consultation Appointments These take place for all children before half term on either Wednesday 20th February or Thursday 21st February from 3.45-6.30pm. From next week please sign up in the office entrance area or ring/email the office to make an appointment. There will be an opportunity to see your child's work and discuss their progress and learning targets with their class teacher.

Class 1 and 2 visit Kiplin Hall on Thursday 14th February to explore old toys and childhood in Victorian times Classes 1 and 2 have letters in their book bags today with more details about this visit and consent forms. This will support their whole class topic on 'Toys' this half term.

A message from the Eco Team Thank you for all your support collecting tin foil for recycling. This is supporting the charity Guide Dogs for the blind. We are excited to be able to tell you that a Guide Dog and their owner and a Guide Dog registered Puppy Walker will be visiting our school on Friday morning 15th February to talk to everyone about the work of the charity.



School Uniform Providers Please note that Tesco is now providing uniform with our school logo using the company My Clothing. Everything else remains the same. We continue to have two suppliers of uniform, Brigade and My Clothing (formerly Tesco). You can order online through their websites: www.myclothing.com or through the link on our school website: School Information/Uniform.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any queries.

Your sincerely,

Nicola Dobson