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'To love, live and learn together'

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Our Christian value this half term is 'Forgiveness'

Spring Sunshine and enjoying our school grounds Everyone has been delighted to see signs of spring as the children have enjoyed their beautiful school grounds this week. Pictured below are children from Class 2 on their seasonal 'signs of spring' Science Walk. Playing out on the field was a real treat this week!



Congratulations to Class 1 on their wonderful Class Assembly today The whole school were able to share in Class 1's learning on Wednesday and again yesterday when we welcomed parents and carers from Class 1. The children spoke, sang and acted so confidently. We enjoyed their dramatisation of the 'The Three Little Pigs'; their excellent Design Technology Work on structures with a chair for Baby Bear and their Art work inspired by the Great Fire of London.



Children's Mental Health Week We held a whole school assembly in February to mark this and across school we focus on our 5 Ways to Wellbeing.



We also use resources from the Place2Be Charity. This has lots of helpful information for parenting.

<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>

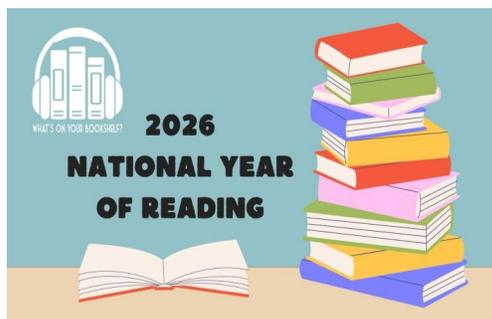
Safer Internet Day 2026 We explored this year's theme of the safe and responsible use of the internet and A1 and raised children's awareness of safer uses of technology. Advice for parents and carers can be found below.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026/top-tips-for-parents-and-carers>

Home to school transport for Secondary Aged Pupils

A reminder that you can email the School Transport Action Group SchoolTransportAG@gmail.com for advice around home to school transport for your child's chosen secondary school.

Make time to read! A reminder in this Year of Reading to ensure you create time at home to read to your child, to listen to them read and share books with them and to encourage them to read independently.



Sharing a book at bed time whatever the age of your child is a wonderful way to spend time together.

Sporting opportunities PE and Sport continues to have a high profile in our school. All our children enjoy 2 hours of PE per week as a minimum with lots of outdoor play at breaks and lunchtimes. We offer after school sporting clubs all year round. All our older children take turns to represent our school in sporting events with other schools. Recently, we took part in Dodgeball competitions and in Girls Football.

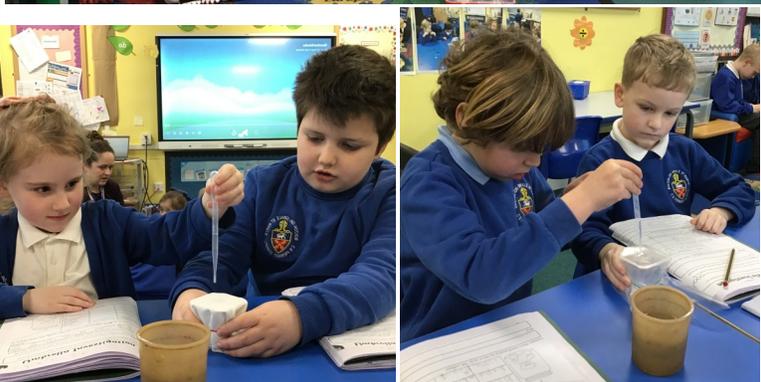


Pictured here are our Y5/6 Girls Football Team

In Class 1 we worked hard to prepare for our Class Assembly. We also had a wonderful World Book. We loved sharing books with our buddies in Class 4 and also taking part in the Book Swap.



In Class 2 we enjoyed our Spring Science walk and have started to learn about the life of Florence Nightingale in History. In Science we have been investigating the properties of materials; in particular how waterproof they are. We loved World Book Day and the challenge of identifying all our characters in books.



In Class 3 are busy preparing to share our learning with our parents in our Class Assembly. We loved World Book Day and finding new books to share in the book swap.



In Class 4 we enjoyed organising our World Book Day book swap and reading stories to children in Class 1. We completed a Mini First Aid Course and visited



Richmond School Science laboratories to take part in a lesson using microscopes.

Dates for the Diary reminders:

Thursday 12th March 9.30am **Class 3 Parental Assembly**

Thursday 19th March 9.30am **Class 2 Parental Assembly**

Friday 20th March **Comic Relief Charity Day non uniform**
Week of 16th March **Last week of Clubs**

Thursday 26th March 9.00am **Bring a decorated egg and or bonnet to school for our Easter competition.**

2.15pm Egg rolling– parents and carers invited with refreshments and cakes with Friends of School.

Friday 27th March 2pm **Easter Service in St Mary's Church in which all the children take part with songs, readings, drama and prayers. Everyone is very welcome to join us.**

We finish for Easter on Friday 27th March.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

With my best wishes,

Nicola Dobson