

A NOTE FROM MRS HEFFER

'Helping others is one of the greatest gifts you can give.' Kishan S Chauhan

This week the children have been bug hunting, writing beautiful descriptive prose, using their persuasive skills and more!

VIRTUES – This week we have been promoting the virtue HELPFULNESS and the staff have been so very impressed with the children for the way in which they have helped each other as well as helping the adults in school. Well done to all children for their efforts. Next week we will be focusing on TOLERANCE. I have asked the children to talk to their parents about what this means in preparation for next week. Thank you for all your support with our virtues focus.

BEE HAPPY – On Friday, last week, Jaqueline Davey treated the children to several wonderful workshops where they learnt all about the importance of bees. The children were amazed at how clever these little creatures are and many children asked some thought provoking questions. The children were also excited at the opportunity to dress up as a bee keeper and experience the wonderful taste of honey sandwiches. A super day was had by all. We thank Jacqueline for sharing her very extensive knowledge with us.

AMAZING WORDS – This week the Robins impressed the school when they shared their knowledge of nouns and adjectives in assembly. The children had been using WOW words in their descriptive writing which they read to a very attentive audience. The assembly ended with the Robins teaching the whole school a lovely action song about animals. Well done Robins!

RNLI – Today, the RNLI did a presentation on beach safety for our pupils. The children listened attentively and were clearly made aware that the beach can be a safe place to be if the safety rules are followed.

SUN HATS – With the joy of summer arriving, we would like to remind parents to provide sun hats for their children at playtime. As the heat rises during the course of the term, we would also ask you to ensure your child has suitable sun cream applied. Many thanks for your support with this.

MATHS GOVERNOR IS IMPRESSED – On Wednesday, Mrs Philippa Laval visited the school to see maths in action and talk to our maths coordinator, Mrs Pallot. Mrs Laval enjoyed every minute of her visit and returned to school at the end of the day to attend a staff meeting with a focus on maths. We are very grateful for the support that our governors continue to provide for the school.

FAB FOPS! – A very enthusiastic group of parents gathered at the school on Thursday evening to discuss forth coming fund raising events. The success of the Easter bingo and Fun Film Night was also shared! Well done to all involved in making these events such an enjoyable experience for all. The main event discussed was the forthcoming Family Fun Day that will be held on the village green on Saturday, 27th June from 2.30pm. Many stalls and family games will be available as well as several competitions for all ages to enter. For those of you who were at the School Summer Fayre last year, the craft competitions proved to be a big hit. Please could we put a plea out for the return of any trophies that were awarded last year? From 4.30pm there will be a BBQ and we hope to involve the children and adult choir in a joint performance. From 5.30pm, Grapefruit Moon will be providing the music for the rest of the evening. To ensure this will be the success we feel certain it will be, we ask any parents wishing to help to let any of the FOPS members know or leave your name at the office and Mrs Read will happily forward your offer of help to the right people. FOPS are asking for any donations of bottles of wine, full and empty, for the water to wine stall and if you have any ideas or know of anyone who would like to have their own independent stall, please let the office know and we will pass your details on

to FOPS. The next FOPS meeting will be held at school on Thursday, 4th June at 7pm. Please come along to get involved in the excitement running up to the arrangements for the Big Family Fun Day.

BEDDING PLANTS REQUEST – Mrs Waters is keen to receive any donations of bedding plants for our grow zone. If you have an abundance of plants that you wish to reduce, please let Mrs Waters know and she will happily take them off your hands. Many thanks.

CLUBS – As you are aware, this term's clubs are now up and running. We have worked hard to ensure the pupils who were on the waiting list last term for clubs were given preference this term. It is always difficult to accommodate every child's wishes however, this week, it has been made even more difficult by the fact that many children have decided they want to change from one club to another. We therefore would like to politely urge parents to try to ensure their children stick with the choice they have initially asked for. Next year, we aim to try a slightly different approach to signing up for clubs to minimise disappointment and confusion.

HELP US KEEP YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN SAFE – This week, we have displayed signs in the carpark to remind pupils and parents to stick to the path when they come onto the school premises. It has been noted that some pupils run across the carpark at the end of the school day at a time when there are cars moving in and out of the school gates. We thank you for your support with this matter.

We wish you a lovely weekend!

Celebration Assembly:

Bronze certificate awarded to Mathew Fisher, Silver certificate to Sapphire Bennett, George Stevens, Elowen Harland, Katy King, Miles Cameron, Valentina Thomson and Daniel Matthews, Gold certificate to Alisha Aslam, Cara McCandless, Ted Bailey, Ruby Richards and Charlie Long. Lucy Nancarrow, Stanley Cameron and Oscar Partridge all received their medal.

The Virtue award was received by Mikey Steward.

Very well done to you all.