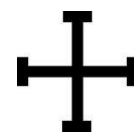




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Lighting the Path

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Lighting the Path... Together: We Learn, We Share, We Pray, We Care with Courage, Trust, Love and Hope



This week we have been thinking about Remembrance day. Mr Britton has again kindly brought in a large number of interesting items from World War 1 and 2 in a display case. A cardboard set

of chess and draughts provided to soldiers for recreation has caused interest plus a letter from the King written in 1918 at the end of the war thanking soldiers for their commitment. These personal artefacts help the children to relate to the time and to think about those involved. Mr Britton led a Remembrance service for the school on Friday morning. The Christchurch schools team led our collective worship on Monday and the Open the Book team retold the story of Noah and the Ark with children from Silver Birch acting out parts. They enjoyed putting the animals into the Ark! *Genesis 6-9.*

Pencil Case designs in Willow Class

Willow Class are designing and making their own pencil



cases. They have looked at commercial designs and then made their own patterns reflecting their interests. On Wednesday a large number of parents and grandparents came in to help the children

with the cutting and sewing. The classroom was a hive of industry as the children learnt to thread needles, sew different stitches and applique their patterns. They even used sewing machines to put in zips under very careful supervision! Thank you very much to all of the adults who gave up their time to help.

Doorstops in Maple Class

Maple Class have been designing their own door stops which require several pattern pieces to be put together. This week they have been learning how to do back stitch. They know that this has to be done carefully so that the stuffing does not



come through. There was a great deal of concentration on the stitches and the outcome was impressive!

Sketching in Beech Class

Beech Class have been developing their sketching skills by doing some observational drawing of



different objects. They have concentrated on creating light and dark using special sketching pencils. The sketches are now on display for all to see.

Class Ipads for St Faith's - thank you so much!

We were absolutely delighted to receive a class Ipad for each year group last week purchased from £2300 raised from the SFSA Tough Mudder sponsorship. A very kind family has donated the robust covers for each Ipad. These Ipads have immediately helped us to move forward with our IT curriculum teaching. The SFSA is now raising money for 16 mini-ipads in a cabinet which will really bring us up in line with other schools and where we need to be. This does not mean that the children will suddenly be having far more time on screens! The apps can really enhance lessons across the curriculum. Thank you to all of our supporters!

New picnic benches from the SFSA

The three new colourful picnic benches are now erected



in the quiet area of the playground. They are a great replacement for the old and rotting benches that had been there and the children have already been making great use of the new seating.

House Construction in the Infants



The Infants are learning about different materials in Science and are reading stories about houses and homes. They are now designing and making their own houses out of junk modelling. They are having to think carefully about the construction and ways to fix parts together.

Ken the Koala celebrates his birthday!

Oak Class have been talking about the importance of celebrations in their religious education. Ken the Koala is very important to Oak Class and goes home with different children at the weekends. Last week the class were excited to celebrate Ken's birthday. They made him a selection of birthday cards and decorations.



Maple Class go to Peregrine Falcon Talk



Maple Class walked to Winchester College for a fascinating talk about Peregrine Falcons given by a bird expert with the aid of great pictures and video clips. The children were then introduced to

Scarlet the Peregrine falcon before having refreshments and being given badges and stickers.

Beech Class learn about the Holy Trinity

Year 6 have been learning about the Holy Trinity in their religious education and the significance of God as the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit in Christianity. They then went on to create their own symbols to represent the Holy Trinity and had to explain their thoughts and reasoning behind it.

Robert Y6 *I drew three candles with flames because fire needs oxygen, fuel and a heat source. Oxygen stands for God because it is everywhere, the fuel stands for the Son because it is an important part of the flame and the heat source stands for the Holy Spirit.*

Dylan Y6 *I drew an electric circuit for the Holy Trinity. The batteries stand for God the father because batteries give power to the circuit and without Him nothing would work. The on and off switch is for God as the son and stands for the control as when Jesus came to earth and the light bulb is for the Holy spirit because light represents the Holy Spirit. Without that it is nothing. I put God in wires and in the centre of the circuit to show that God is everywhere even when there are barriers.*



House Cup Winners of the Week

Congratulations to all of the children in **Wykeham House** for gaining the most House Points this week.

Workers of the Week

Well done to the following children who received certificates today: -

Oak: **Lucy and Maddie**

Silver Birch: **Max and Alex**

Willow: **Hal and Zac**

Maple: **Kainoah and Sasha**

Beech: **Jonas and Dylan**



St Faith's Crosses

Ella – for showing off her best learning

Eleanor – for being proud of kind words she says to others

Violet– for being polite and well behaved

Ava – for comforting others

Ava – for a responsible attitude towards her learning

Rebekah – for showing compassion and kindness to others

Elsbeth and Evelyn – for helpfulness in cleaning the hall

Elizabeth – for being very caring towards others

Anna – for always being trustworthy

Forthcoming Inset days

Friday 17th November 2017

Friday 26th January 2018

Monday 4th June 2018

Monday 23rd July 2018

Children in Need Collection 15th and 16th November



The School Council will be holding a collection for Children in Need on Wednesday and Thursday next week. We are asking for donations of 50p, £1 and £2 coins only to cover large Pudsey bears. The School Council would really like children to bring in a coin from their own money box if possible to give to children less fortunate than themselves.

Inset Day Reminder

There is an Inset day on Friday 17th November. The staff will be analysing data from recent assessments in preparation for internal pupil progress meetings and parent meetings at the end of the month.

Signing up Online for Parents Evening

The end of Phase 1 parents' evenings will be held on **28th November and 30th November**. You will be able to book online as before from 10am on Tuesday 14th November. You will need to make an appointment with your child's **year group** teacher. Those who are new to the school will soon be receiving a letter from the office about the booking process. Do ask at the office if you have any questions.

Individual photographs Tuesday 14th November

Our school photographer Alex Guy will be in school to take individual photographs of the children on Tuesday 14th November. He will be in school to take photos of younger siblings from 8.30am

Message from St Faith's School Association



Christmas Fayre – Saturday 2nd December 2-4pm
Stalls, wreaths, carol singing and refreshments.

Do come along and support us and let us know if you are able to help in any way.

Emails/Letters sent out this Week

Whole school – Life Education workshops

Whole school – Cycle storage question

Whole school – Children in Need collection

Whole school – Parkwise leaflet

Please let the office know if you have not received these
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16th November – NSPCC workshops Speak out stay safe

20th and 21st November – Life Education Bus for YR-6

22nd November – Willow parent outcome 2.30pm

23rd November – Stay and play morning for Year R parents 9.30-10.30am

24th November Talking schools morning

24th November – Wells Book Fayre

28th and 30th November – Parent evenings

5th December – Maple parent outcome 2.30pm

6th Dec – Open afternoon for Beaufort and Wykeham

7th December – Y4 African drumming workshop 1.30

7th Dec – Open afternoon for Fox and De Blois 3.30-4.30

12th December – Infant Nativity 2pm

13th December – Infant Nativity 2pm

14th December – KS2 Carol Service at St Cross 6pm

21st December – End of term 1.15pm

Spring Term 2018

4th January – start of term

12th-16th February – Half term

29th March – End of term 1.15pm