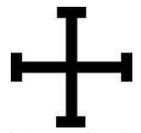




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Lighting the Path

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

We started our week with collective worship about the importance of showing respect to others. We talked about an acrostic poem based on Respect.

Respect is....

- Readiness to listen
- Everyone being valued
- Showing appreciation
- Praying for people
- Expressing opinions sensitively
- Caring for our environment
- Treating property carefully



We then looked at the mosaic called The Golden Rule which hangs in the headquarters of the United Nations with the phrase. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." *Matthew 7.12* The children came up with some really thoughtful ideas as to how we can show respect in our everyday lives. The Open the Book team led collective worship based on the story of Tabitha who did acts of good to help the poor which reinforced our message of the week. *Acts 9.*

Wykeham win Sports Day

Thank you to everyone who came to watch our fun competitive Sports Day last Friday which was organised by Mrs Hanson. The Year 6 helped to sort out the equipment and ensured that the children were in the right place at the right time for their races. They did this job brilliantly. I was also really impressed by the positive attitude of the competitors and by the way in which the children



supported each other across the school. It was all done in great spirit! Thank you also to the SFSA for sorting out drinks and refreshments for the parents. Three of the houses were in direct competition with each other but Wykeham were the outright winners.

Beaufort 435 De Blois 430 Fox 450 Wykeham 580!
 Congratulations to all of those in **Wykeham House!**
Rockets Launched in Beech Class

Year 6 have been working very hard on their exciting STEM project with Kings' and have all designed and made their team rockets with a set budget. Each team set off their rocket in the school field last week to find the most efficient rocket to go through to the final at Kings' against the other schools. The Cicosa Rocket – (children's independent club of scientific awesomeness) was the definite winner but well done to all teams!

Report by the winning Stem Project team



We designed and made the fins and the nose and had to buy tape to stick it all together. Each member of the team had an important job to do. Flora was the project manager, Imogen the designer and rocket launcher, Emma the communicator and Sam the finance officer. The bottle was shaking on the rocket launch pad before it exploded into the sky. We couldn't believe that it went above the trees!

Kings' Steel Band play for the school

On Tuesday afternoon a steel band from Kings' came in and they played a variety of songs. The group were from Year 11 and they had been playing together for four years. They must have worked hard! The band had different types of drums which they told us about and explained they could make different sounds. When they all played together they made an amazing sound. It was very loud and the little ones coped very well! The steel band played different tunes including Ghostbusters and they finished with Pirates of the Caribbean. They said that children starting Kings can join if they wish. **Blair Yr 6**



Chocolate fountain inspiration for Year 4!

Year 4 have been studying Charlie and the Chocolate factory in English this term and we have been doing a lot of different types of writing. As a treat we had a chocolate fountain in class on Wednesday to help us with our descriptive language and to give us the feeling that we were actually in a



chocolate factory! We did four different activities. The best was the chocolate fountain which we got to dip strawberries, marshmallows and cake into and



then taste! There was one activity where we had to research words for a chocolate factory by using a

thesaurus and there was another activity where you had the chance to try different chocolates and we had to write a description using noun phrases. We are now going to write about being in a chocolate factory using superb descriptive language! Euan and Sophie Y4



Sphero Challenge Day for Years 3,4 and 5



Andrew Woods from Harrap IT came into St Faith's on Thursday to lead a very exciting Sphero day with children from Willow and Maple. A Sphero is an app enabled ball which can be programmed for

direction and speed. Mr Wood set up a variety of challenges for children to complete in pairs. It was a great day! We are really hoping to be able to get a set of ipads and sphero balls from SFSA funding at some point to further our programming skills!



Report by Edward and Theo Y3

We worked in our year groups and had an ipad between two. We had to program what we wanted the sphero ball to do. We could program the different speeds and the different angles to turn. We had different challenges to complete. In one we had to make the ball go straight, then turn 90 degrees and park in a space. This meant we had to think about the correct length, speed and angle to do it. For some programming you can use your finger but it has to be very accurate. It was easier to actually program the ball! In another challenge we had to aim to get to 10 on the archery mat. You had five goes to score and we won the class competition! We also had to program the Sphero ball to drive around the circuit in under one minute and we did it in 29 seconds! Our overall score for all of the challenges was 107!

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: **Wilf and Freya**

Silver Birch: **Henry and Leo**

Willow: **Edward and Theo**

Maple: **James and Imogen**

Beech: **Imogen and Sam**



St Faith's Crosses

Mimi – for showing excellent honesty

Monty – for changing more quickly for PE

Victoria – for being very polite

Dan – for staying behind to tidy Acorn room

Zac – for recognising school values in a story

Arlo – for thanking teachers for enjoyable lessons

Finn and Sofia – for excellent commitment to their work

William – for showing responsibility in play rehearsals

Phoebe – for always showing respect to others

Forthcoming Inset days

Monday 4th September 2017 Friday 17th November 2017

Friday 26th January 2018 Monday 26th February 2018

Monday 4th June 2018 **Dawn James**

The Dancor Group Primary Schools Swimming Gala

Apologies to our Year 4 swimmers who were missed off last week's report. The Year 4 team consisted of James, Lara and Heidi. Well done to them all.

Shoes for bare feet? Collection for Sal's Shoes in



Do you have any outgrown children's shoes? Sal's Shoes distributes shoes to children in Africa, Syria, Asia and will be sending shoes to the homeless people of the Grenfell Tower Fire. Last July,



thanks to your donations, I posted over 300 pairs of shoes, wellies, football boots, crocs, sandals and trainers. Each pair was united with a child within 6 weeks.

I hope we can do the same again! Many children are not allowed to attend school unless they have a pair of shoes and many children walk long distances with no protection on their feet. The shoes do need to:

- Be in a reasonable condition (no holes in the soles)
- Must be paired with a rubber band (I can supply bands)
- Clean!
- left in the box outside Mrs Crump's office between 3rd & 17th July

<http://www.salsshoes.com/> there are some wonderful photos of children trying on their first ever pair of shoes.

If you would like to donate shoes once my collection has finished, please do so directly- the details are on the website and it's very easy!

Please do find me in the playground if you have any questions. Magdalen Rees, Sienna and Lila's mum!

Message from St Faith's School Association

The Year 1 cake sale made £103.14. Thank you very much to everyone to all who contributed in some way.

Message from St Cross

Many thanks to all who contributed to the St Cross Fete in some way last Saturday. The school tombola raised £352.75 for St Cross.

Letters sent out this Week

Whole school – Booking places at the Ark after school care club

Whole school – lunchtime supervisory assistant post

Years 1,2 and 6 – Stream dipping

Year 4 – Ukulele concert

Please let the office know if you have not received these

Dates for your diary Spring term 2017

5th July – Infant outcome for parents 3pm

7th July – Reports sent home

10th July – Stream dipping for Year 1,2 and 6

12th July – KS2 performance 2pm and 7pm

13th July – Ukulele concert for Year 4 parents 1.30pm

13th July – KS2 performance 7pm

13th July – Year 5 taster day at Kings'

14th July – Year 4 French day at Kings'

14th and 17th July – Take One Picture Exhibition 3.30pm

18th July – Parent Outcome for Willow Class 2.30pm

19th July – Parent Outcome for Maple Class 2.30pm

25th July – Year 6 Leaver's Service for parents 9.10am

25th July – End of term 1.15pm

Autumn term 2017

5th September – start of term

6th September – Curriculum Evening for all parents 6pm

