



Religious News

We started our week by placing the 3 Wiseman at the crib scene and looking at the Feast of the Epiphany which was celebrated on 6th January. Using a short clip, we looked at how this is celebrated in different countries around the year and, also, replaced the chalk blessing from last year with a new one for this year. *20 + C + M + B + 19 – May Christ Bless All Who Dwell here in 2019.* This is a tradition which is still undertaken in Austria and Germany today.

Following the publication of the vision in last week's newsletter, this was introduced to children in Collective Worship this week where we explored the symbolism of the Eagle on our school logo, the manner in which eagles move and the meaning of our acronym, SOAR. In addition, we introduced a special Biblical quote which Governors have chosen to represent their aim for the education which is provided in school:

Jeremiah: The Lord says for I know the plans I have for you...plans to give you hope and a future.

Be kind and honest and you will live a long life; others will respect you and treat you fairly. (Proverbs 21:21)

CREATIVITY IN ACTION THIS WEEK

To launch their creative curriculum Egyptian topic, Year 5 visited Bagshaw Museum on Tuesday where they explored the many artefacts which are there but also took part in an interactive workshop. The teachers were extremely impressed by the behaviour of the pupils. Many thanks to the parents who accompanied the children on the trip. On Thursday, Mrs Adams led a drama workshop to introduce The Highwayman to the class where the children used dramatic activities to represent sections of the poem. Today, it was the turn of the Year 2 to launch their topic with a day being 'Victorian Children.' Thank you to all the families for their support in dressing the children in Victorian style dress – they all looked super! In the course of the day, the children tried their hand at 'Victorian arithmetic', looked at The British Empire, did some sketching and are due to bake Victoria Sponges this afternoon!

Achievers of the week for 7th January.

This week we have awarded our certificates for Maths in KS1 and for TT Rock Stars in KS2.

Congratulations to the following children who received certificates:

FS2 Sam McH, William A

Y1 Lukas B, Elizabeth K

Y2 Harry S, Ewan B

Y3 Brooklyn A-D, Thomas M

Y4 Joseph H, Louis H

Y5 Reece H, Lucy B

Y6 Nathaniel V, Arthur R-L

Next week, our certificates will be awarded to children for reading. Please can we encourage you, not only to listen to your children read, but, also, to discuss the books with them and to read to them.

E-SAFETY TOP TIP

Children can chat to people online, even if they don't know them. They don't always think of them as strangers, but it can make them vulnerable to bullying, inappropriate friendships and grooming.

For advice on how to deal with this check out

<https://www.o2.co.uk/help/nspcc/strangers-online>

ATTENDANCE Week of 3rd January 2019

F1am 84.62%

F1pm 62.50%

F1 30 hours 97.92%

F2P 95%

F2Py 91.67%

Y1M 91.94%

Y1S 96.77%

Y2F 100%

Y2D 88.33%

Y3HM 93.33%

Y3W 95%

Y4HW 93.33%

Y4M 93.33%

Y5B 96.67%

Y5G 90%

Y6B 89.17%

Y6V 99.14%

Congratulations to 2F who had 100% last week. Well done!

Congratulations to Y6V who won the attendance cup with 99.14% attendance. Well done!

KEY STAGE 2 SATS INFORMATION SESSION

Thank you to all the parents who joined us for the KS2 Sats Information Session on Tuesday evening.
A link to the copy of the presentation used on the evening can be found on the front of the website.

TT ROCK STARS BATTLE

Thank you to everyone who rose to the challenge posed before the holidays of using this computer programme to practise tables. Mr Holliday was really impressed by the manner in which some children really got on board this time and the huge increase in their own personal scores. In the end, 6V, 5B, 4HW and 3HM won the battles between the classes.

The first times tables 'Battle of the Classes' results are in...

6B	32654		6V	61526
5B	22335		5G	33591
4HW	36242		4M	35362
3HM	16434		3W	5496

We are continuing to promote this in school as an enjoyable way to learn and practise tables and we ask you to encourage your children also. We plan to launch another Battle of the Classes later in the half term and we hope that we see an increase in participation, particularly in Year 3.

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

The following recommendations were featured on the TES (Times Educational Supplement) as top books of 2018: *The Light Jar* by Lisa Thompson (Scholastic) is an adventure story that blurs the boundaries between reality, imagination and the supernatural.

Historian Janina Ramirez sets her crime thriller *Riddle of the Runes* (OUP Oxford) in Scandinavia during the age of the Vikings, and Ross MacKenzie's *The Elsewhere Emporium* (Kelpies) swaps between the Lake District in the present day and Victorian London. Meanwhile, Sophie Anderson's folklore-inspired *The House With Chicken Legs* (Usborne Publishing) is timeless and takes place in an unknown Slavic landscape.

This year, two authors drew inspiration from the story of Little Red Riding Hood in their books: Chris Riddell with *Once Upon a Wild Wood* (Macmillan Children's Books) and Marie Voigt with *Red and the City* (OUP Oxford).

NEXT WEEK IN BAILDON

14th Shakespeare Club starts 3.15pm-4.15pm (run by the Year 6 Shakespeare Ambassadors)

15th Jan Deadline Applications for Primary School 2019

15th Jan Early Years Maths Workshop 2.15pm

15th PTFA Meeting 7.15pm in the staffroom

17th RE Adviser to visit to find out about our involvement in Fairtrade

18th Year 1 Skipton Castle Trip

18th Year 3 Parents to Dinner

Unfortunately, due to the sudden resignation of the local sports co-ordinator, the Athletics competitions planned for next week have been cancelled.