

Thought for the Day:

**“Never regret being a good person,
to the wrong people.**

**Your behaviour says everything about you,
and their behaviour says enough about them.”**

Question of the Week:

***'What is more important, what you
say, or how you say it?'***

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a real pleasure to see how quickly children have settled into their learning this week. It has been lovely to see so many parents attend the year group welcome meetings, thank you. You should have received a welcome booklet, however they can also be found on the school website in the learning section along with further information about the curriculum. Please also look at the section in 'about us' called Keeping Children Safe. Here there is information about safeguarding, the school nursing team and other useful information. Last week, Reverend Elis visited school and spoke with Key Stage 1 children about Harvest. We have agreed to collect food and groceries for our local foodbank until October 1st. Any donations of food in date and non-fresh food can be brought in. Items such as tinned pulses, baked beans, soup, biscuits, jam, shower gel, shampoo and toothpaste are really appreciated. Thank you. We will be adding some essential reading lists to the website in the next few weeks and ideas for books children could read.

Nursery: This week the children have continued to visit their new classroom with their parents. The staff, children and their families have all enjoyed getting to know each other. As the week progressed the children have been saying goodbye to their parents and beginning their new independent learning journey in Nursery. They have enjoyed a wide range of activities including sand/water play, play dough, painting and building. As well as lots of time for singing and stories.

Reception: The children have settled very well during their first full time week at school. They have been exploring the different areas of learning and engaging well with new activities. The focus of learning has been to develop and practise their listening skills and identifying rhyming words in stories.

Year 1: This week, we have been focusing on the text 'All aboard for the Bobo Road'. It is set in Africa. The children have been exploring the text in English by predicting the text, listening to the story and sequencing the events. The children are starting to develop an understanding of different continents in the world. In maths this week the children have been learning to sort, count and represent numbers. During computing the children have been developing their skills to log on to a computer and explore different programs. The children are settling in well and are learning the routines in Year 1!

Year 2: We have been learning all about the animal groups of the world and what needs they each have, comparing them to humans. We have continued looking at partitioning numbers into Tens and Ones whilst in English we have been finishing our Autumn shape poems. When you walk to school with your children, try asking them to describe the autumn scenery around you!

Year 3: This week we have been continuing our creative writing. In our Writing we have used, description, fronted adverbials, compound sentences and dialogue. In Maths, we been learning about Place value, and revising our knowledge of hundreds, tens and ones. In Science and Topic we have been revising our previous knowledge and asking enquiring questions about our new topics 'Rocks and Soils' and 'The Stone Age. The Year 3 team would like to thank you for all your help with the children's Stone Age homework models.

Year 4: In English, we have been using a range of literary techniques to describe settings in preparation for writing our stories based in imaginary worlds. In Maths, we have been building on our knowledge of number by finding 1000 greater than or less a given number and partitioning numbers in various ways. In Science, we have been using MRS GREN to help us remember all of the life processes that living things share. Our first swimming lessons have been a great success and we are looking forward to making lots of progress over the coming year.

Year 5: Children are enjoying learning hockey during outdoor PE and are working hard to improve their ball control skills as well as their general fitness. In indoor PE, the focus is on ball skills and working together in team games. In Geography, children are learning how volcanoes are created while in Art, they have created wonderful images of space travel using paint, oil pastels and crayons.

Year 6: Year 6 students have shown a great willingness to challenge themselves this week throughout the curriculum. We have reviewed and built on our understanding of place value through addition, subtraction and multiplication. In English, we have explored a variety of Victorian poems to identify different language features. We have used this to write our own poems, using features such as imagery, repetition, rhyming and onomatopoeia. In grammar, we have focused on commas and knowing when to use them in a list or to separate a clause. The students have also learnt about the positive and negative impacts of the Industrial Revolution during the Victorian era in Topic and explored the meaning of adaptation in Science. We have also looked into different charities in PSHE and the five precepts of Buddhism in RE.

Notices:

Use of any play equipment before or after school is not encouraged as it can lead to accidents. When collected, children need to be with parents and leave the school site together with little delay.

Don't forget - Beat the Street

Sporting Clubs Reminder: Please ensure children come wearing their Sports kits to morning sports clubs, bringing their uniform to change into after the club.

The following apps can be downloaded to help children with Times Tables or Vocabulary. Childrens passwords are in their planners.



School Attendance:

Current whole school attendance is 96.32%.
 Congratulations to Red, 1B & 1I for 100% attendance.



Please remember that term time leave will be unauthorised.

Key Dates for the term:

10 th September	Year 3 Curriculum Meeting	1st November	4H Class assembly
12 th September	Year 2 Curriculum Meeting	4 th to 8 th November	Parliament Week
13 th September	3H Class assembly	7 th November	APS Parliament Day
16 th September	Year 4 Curriculum Meeting	8 th November	6NC Class assembly
17 th September	Year 5 Curriculum Meeting	14 th November	Year 2 Fire Brigade visit in school
19 th September	5B Sky Studios trip		Year 6 heights and weights
	Year 1 Curriculum Meeting	15 th November	6K Class assembly
23 rd September	5F Sky Studios trip	21 st November	Year 5 Fire Brigade visit in school
	Year 6 Curriculum Meeting	29 th November	4C Class assembly
26 th September	Year 6 Coding challenge	3 rd December	Year 6 Parliament trip
27 th September	6C Class assembly	6 th December	5F Class assembly
30 th September	5M Sky Studios trip	12 th December	KS2 Pantomime
9 th October	Year 6 Victorian Workshop	13 th December	Year 2 Nativity
10 th October	Lorry awareness Year 4 and Year 5	17 th December	Christmas Dinner
	Year 3 Stone Age workshop	19 th December	Last day of the Autumn Term
11 th October	Flu jabs Reception to Year 6		School closes at 1.30pm
11 th October	5M Class assembly	20th December - 3rd January	Christmas Break
14 th - 16 th October	Year 5 Sayers Croft		
18 th October	3S Class assembly		
21st October – 25th October	Half term		

The Spring Term begins on Monday 6th January 2020



Year 3 Stone Age Model



We have been really pleased with the Stone Age project models. Here are a small selection. Well done to everyone. The detail is fascinating.