



***“Starting children off through God’s love and Jesus’ teachings”***

**Christian Value:** Friendship  
**British Value:** School Qualities

**Living out the School Vision this Week:**

**Curiosity:** “I liked finding out about magnets,” reported Chester (Y4).

**Compassion:** “It was good to hear about Mr Harrison’s new baby,” said Henry (Y4).

**Resilience:** “I kept trying hard with my column subtraction,” shared Hugo (Y4).

**Worship quote:** “How good and pleasant it is when God’s people live together in unity,” *Psalms 133: 1*

**Remember in our prayers:** everyone who is working towards secure a lasting peace in the Middle East.

**Parents’ Evenings**

These are taking place next Tuesday and Thursday. Y4 parents’ appointments will be after ½ term.

**Reading at Home**

We have just completed reading tests from Y2-6. The results give us a reading age for each child which will be reported to you, on your child’s interim report. This report will be shared at parents’ evenings. It is always very clear that the children who practise more often at home, have much higher reading ages. Thank you for all you do to support reading practice at home.

**Planet Play Earlier finish**

We will be trialling an earlier session finish, at 5.30pm Monday-Thursday. This session will be 50p cheaper than the 6pm finish and will still include tea. This will be available for bookings after half term and will go live on Monday. The 6pm finish will remain available or existing bookings can be cancelled and re-booked. Friday booking will remain the same (4.30 or 5pm finish).

**PTA News**

The PTA autumn/spooky disco is set for 7<sup>th</sup> Nov. Tickets will be available on Arbor, from 6pm.

**Baby News**

Mr and Mrs Harrison welcomed their new baby girl, Millie to the world, on Thursday. Our congratulations go to the new family. Mr Harrison will now be on paternity leave. Miss Sixsmith, supply teacher, will be taking Y4.

**Church Events**

Messy Church is on Sunday. Please see flyer.

**Reading Event**

Please see the accompanying flyers about the Roald Dahl reading challenge (20 books over the year). It

would be great to make a start. There are always prizes in the summer term.

**World Mental Health Day**

This is celebrated today. We have a number of services that we can access at school. Mrs Green, our ELSA, takes individual sessions with children. We also have access to the NHS mental health service for schools. They are particularly helpful for children with worries and anxieties. Please email the office if you wish to find out more.

**New Archbishop of Canterbury**

Our congratulations go to the Sarah Mullalay, as she prepares to lead the Church of England and the wider Anglican communion. She will no doubt have challenges, but she is another role-model for girls to achieve without barriers!

**Job Vacancy**

We have a vacancy for a before/after school club assistant, with the potential of additional hours on a Friday, 11.25 hours, in total. Please contact the school office, if you are interested.

**School Diary**

- Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Oct: parents’ evening 3.40-6pm
- Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Oct 2.15pm: Harvest Festival service, St Paul’s Church, Y3 parents welcome
- Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Oct: parents’ evening 3.40-6pm
- Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Oct: break up for ½ term
- Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Oct: Inset (staff off-site at Rise venue)
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Oct: back to school
- Tues 28<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Oct: Y4 parents’ evening
- Wed 29<sup>th</sup> Oct: school photos
- Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Nov: PTA Spooky/Autumn disco
- Fri Dec 5<sup>th</sup>: Santa Fun Run
- Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Dec: Y1/2 Christmas concert, 2.15pm
- Thurs 11<sup>th</sup>: Christmas dinner & Christmas jumper day
- Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Dec: Robins’ Christmas Nativity, 2.15pm
- Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 9.15am: Y3-6 Christmas music
- Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 2.30pm: crafts (R, Y1, Y2)
- Tues 16<sup>th</sup>/Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas parties
- Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 2.15pm: Christingle (Y5)
- Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 3.20/3.30pm: finish for Christmas!

Have a good  
weekend,  
Mrs Gilchrist

