

Trinity Church School

Learning, Growing, Believing Together



Friday 24th June 2022

Newsletter 20

Our core Christian Values: Trust, Friendship, Creativity, Courage, Respect, Compassion

Dance for the Defib!

Wow what a day! Thank you so much to all the children who danced the day away - we had an absolutely great day. Jane Price from Fitsteps joined us for a whole school dance afternoon - the children loved it and Jane was full of enthusiasm to get the children moving! Finally a huge, huge thank you to all the family and friends who donated. We raised all the money for the defibrillator and we are now in the process of putting in the order with our Business Manager. We hope to have it here by September.

Thank you again - we have a brilliant school community.

School Council, Mrs Jackson, Miss Treasure and Miss Southwell.

House Points Winners

Congratulations to Sapphire
House who achieved most house
points last week and to Emerald
who are in the lead this week.

Attendance Winners

Well done to Willow Class for achieving best attendance last week and to Willow and Cherry Class for this week.





Christian Values Awards

The children recognised for demonstrating our Christian Values over the last two weeks are:

Respect: Spencer Y4, Mrs

Jefferies (nominated by

Cherry Class)

Friendship: Hollie, Ophelia Y4

Courage: Travis Y4

Compassion: Clara Y3, Toby, Dexter,

Imogen, Jack Y6









Sports News

Y5/6 Cricket

Last Wednesday, a team of Y5/6 boys attended the SSP Quick Cricket tournament at the Sulis Club in Bath. The boys performed magnificently, coming runners-up in their group by beating St Johns, Combe Down and Oldfield Park!

Sadly, they were outplayed in the semi finals by the eventual tournament winners, St Stephens. A wonderful effort from team Trinity. A big thank you to the parents who supported and transported the children on the day.

Year 3 & 4 Tennis Tournament

This Monday, four children from Year 3 and 4 took part in a tennis tournament at Writhlington Sports Centre. The children not only played some wonderful tennis but their attitude and behaviour was impeccable. Well done for representing the school so well!

Quad Kids

Last Tuesday, a selection of year 5 and 6 children took part in an athletics festival at St.Benedict's school. The event involved a vortex throw, a 600m race, a 100m sprint and a standing long jump. The competition was fierce and the children gave their all. There were some great individual performances but it was their team spirit and positivity which was most impressive. The school is very proud of you. Well done!

Word Wizards

On Friday 17th June, four selected children went to Writhlington for a Word Wizard competition. We are delighted to



announce that we won! The children were amazing and achieved an impressive score of 160 - the team in second place scored 127 so it was a strong win! We will be awarded with a shield shortly and will put on display with pride for the next year. Well done to Martha, Travis, Evie and Peggy!

Mrs Jackson and Mrs Jones

School Uniform for September

Please note that any orders with Michael Hope Sports for school uniform will need to be made by Thursday 4th August for delivery in time for September. This date applies to both home and school deliveries. www.michaelhope.co.uk



Office News:



Sculpture Garden

We are in the process of having this area landscaped and the seating fixed permanently. This will be ready by September but in the meantime, please ensure your children keep off the grass as it is being reseeded. Please also do not allow them to climb on the seating. Thank you.

Warm Weather Precautions

As the weather starts to get warmer, please ensure children come to school with sun cream applied and with appropriate sun hats/caps to protect them when they are outside. Please note, we are unable to reapply sun cream to children during the day, so please don't send them in with any. Using a product which is designed to last all day is recommended.

Headteacher's Award

Well done to children in all years for their Headteacher Award nominations for the last two weeks:

Conker: Reggie, Imogen
Chestnut: Riley, Olivia & Joshua
Cedar: Cedar Class, Neave
Willow: Toby H and Oliver, Niko

Cherry: Scarlett, Rebecca
Maple: Ailana, Peggy
Redwood: Marcus, Noah H



Acorn Class

Class News:

We have loved learning all about people who help us for the past 2 weeks. With help from Topsy and Tim we have looked at the important jobs of dentists, firefighters and police officers. We even had a police officer visit us, he told us all about his important jobs and answered any questions we had. We have loved becoming police detectives in Nursery and using our

problem solving skills to solve the case of the missing toys! We used our mark making and cutting skills to make police badges and hats and some of us even wrote our names on our badges.

In Maths, we have been focusing on *length*. We learned the words *short, longest* and *shortest* and measured objects using non-standard measuring tools. We enjoyed making our own measuring tapes using our handprints. We loved going outside and measuring things to see how many handprints long something was.

On Tuesday, it was *International Music Day* and we went on a sound hunt in the woods. We enjoyed making different sounds using trees, fences, grass, stones, leaves, sticks etc. We then made our own woodland instruments and enjoyed finding different ways to play it whilst singing our favourite songs.

We have also been learning about the *circus* this term with Conker Class. Acorns listened to circus music and looked at a book which told us all about the different performers. Afterwards, we chose our own circus skills or craft activities to get involved in. Ribbon sticks, pop up clowns and clown masks were a few of our favourites! We loved juggling, walking on stilts, walking along a tightrope and performing in our circus puppet show outside.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Clements





Conker Class



Class News:

We have been thinking about *length* in Maths this fortnight. We have learned how to order objects by length, lining them up so it is fair and using the correct vocabulary: *long, longer, longest, short, shorter, shortest*. It is odd that a giraffe is tall but his neck is long. This took a lot of discussing. I set the children a question to problem solve - "Is your hand or foot longer?" The children spent a long time thinking with a partner about how they could find out. Some children

drew round their feet and hands, whilst others cut ribbon the length of them and lay them side by side to see. I wonder if they can tell you what they found out and also explain our findings about arms and legs?

We have been thinking about our senses and can now name all five. We thought about the sense of sight and why that is so important for walking around the classroom. We had a go at walking around with our eyes closed and it was so tricky. We talked about guide dogs and how they help blind people - we also looked at using braille to read. We have had a go at recording our name in braille. We went on listening walks to see if we could use our sense of hearing to identify sounds. Our best activity so far was our taste test. We each tried a spoon of a food, not knowing what it was going to be, to see if we could recognise the taste. Some of us really liked the tastes and some of us were not so sure. Custard seemed to be the favourite!

We had a surprise visitor on Wednesday afternoon - our local PCSO, John, came to tell us all about his job and how he could help us. He showed us the many pockets on his jacket and all the tools that he had in them, including his special rations. The children listened really well and we were so proud of them. We talked about how John is not scary but there to help us so if we see him when we are out and about, we need to say hello and give him a wave!

What a great two weeks we have had.

Mrs Vivian





Chestnut Class



Class News:

This week, we celebrated *World Music & Languages Day*. Chestnut Class decided to focus on France, learning French words, singing a French song, learning colours in French, trying French food, making a replica of Monet's painting *'The Water- Lily Pond'* and building the Eiffel Tower. Safe to say, we immersed ourselves into the culture and were fluent by the end!

This week in Science, we have been identifying dinosaurs - more specifically, *herbivores*, *omnivores* and *carnivores* and understanding the characteristics of the dinosaurs. For example, a T-Rex is a carnivore because it has sharp teeth to tear through meat. Afterwards, we went on a dinosaur hunt, looking closely and sketching the features of our favourite dinosaurs.

In Outdoor Learning, we were taught how to make a fire. We used paper, old bits of trees and egg boxes. Chestnut Class were so excited, although we had a mixed reaction to the elderflower tea!

During Geography this term, we have been working on our map skills. The children have been orienteering using an aerial view of our school grounds. They have been using the key to identify where the points are on the map and successfully solving the secret word!

Miss Southwell



Cedar Class

Class News:

This week, Year 2 were lucky to be invited to a sports event held at Bath University. The festival consisted of four sessions rotating around movement skills, ball skills, racket skills and a fun creative session where the kids were able to make their own Commonwealth Games medals! The activities were led by qualified coaches from Team Bath who commented on how the children demonstrated outstanding behaviour.

On Tuesday, we celebrated *World Music & Languages Day* - our focus country was...lceland! The children were wowed by all the natural wonders, especially the "Dancing Lights" and the explosive geysirs. After listening to the Icelandic National Anthem, the children were surprised with how similar it sounded to ours and guessed that it was an "important song for the country". The children learned greetings in Icelandic as well as numbers 1 to 5. At break time, we tried Icelandic style Yoghurt with biscuits. Without a doubt, the favourite activity of the day was dancing to Iceland's 2021 Eurovision entry. The dance moves were funky, repetitive and very funny!

Miss Musgrove











Class News:

This week, we had great fun on *World Music & Languages Day* as we explored Greece. The children enjoyed making pita bread, learning a dance, Greek greetings and counting to ten. We were lucky to have our very own expert in the room: Niko. We enjoyed the day so much we have decided to have an Albanian and Polish day at some point in the near future.

The children worked really hard last week to make more progress with our 3D map of Europe. We have started to add physical features including mountain ranges, rivers and volcanoes. It is really starting to take shape.

Properties of Shape is our current Maths topic. This week, it has been all about *turns* and *angles*. The children have experienced clockwise, anti-clockwise, full, half, quarter and three-quarter turns as well as learning to identify angles.

You may remember that our last Science topic was *Fossils*, *Rocks* and *Soil*. In light of this, we are writing a biography in English on the fascinating Mary Anning. The children have done a fantastic job!

Mr Pollock

Cherry Class



Class News:

Cherry Class really enjoyed *World Music & Languages Day* which we celebrated at school this week. The country we focussed on was Italy. We had great fun dancing to traditional Italian folk music and we listened to the Italian National Anthem. We studied *The Four Seasons* classical music by Vivaldi and the children listened carefully to match the seasons to the music. The children learnt some Italian words and greetings too. Without a doubt, the favourite activity of the day was tasting some delicious Italian food and creating their very own pizzas. The children used ingredients which represent the colours of the Italian flag: basil, mozzarella and tomatoes. We discovered that we are completely divided over the taste of olives: some children love them and some absolutely detest them!

In Science, we have been investigating the impact of different liquids on our teeth. We couldn't use our own teeth for this experiment so we used egg shells which are made from a similar substance to tooth enamel. We placed our eggshells in lots of different jars and poured in different liquids including cola, vinegar, water milk, orange juice and blackcurrant squash. The results amazed the children! One egg shell completely disintegrated and one turned black.

Overall, it has been a fun fortnight in Cherry Class!

Mrs Jefferies



Maple Class



Class News:

On Tuesday, we celebrated *World Music & Languages Day* by exploring the music, language and culture of Poland. We were lucky enough to be taught by some Polish experts: Dagmara, Emma, Natan and Julia. We learned basic greetings, how to hold a short conversation, numbers to ten and we listened to the National Anthem. We tried some Polish snacks, which everyone enjoyed and we learned a Polish folk dance called *"Krakowiak"*.

On Wednesday, we had a workshop with the local PCSO. We enjoyed guessing legal age limits and hearing the stories we had to share.

Our Geography topic this term is all about *global trade*. We have started by learning what trade is - we played a game to discover how different countries feel when trading. Some of us ended up rich, others not so much and we discussed how frustrating this can be. In our second lesson, we answered the question "How did trade get global?" We explored trade from the past to the present and looked at the advancements. Maple Class found it hard to picture a world without technology and easy transport!

Mrs Jones and Mrs Roberts



Class News:

Redwood Class



Redwood Class has had a very busy week this week. On Monday, we visited the Lifeskills Centre in Bristol where the children were exposed to a number of different real-life, hazardous scenarios and they learned how to respond appropriately to keep themselves safe. The volunteers at Lifeskills commented on how brilliantly behaved the children were: well done for representing Trinity so well Year 6.

On Tuesday, we celebrated World Music & Languages Day by exploring

the language, music and culture of Spain. We learnt the numbers 1-10 and some common greetings in Spanish. We also listened to the Spanish National Anthem and had a go at some traditional Flamenco dancing! ¡Muy bien!

On Friday, Redwood invited their parents into school for our final Parent Workshop of the year: a Pig Heart Dissection! The children explored the four chambers of the pig heart, which has a similar anatomy to the human heart, by carefully dissecting and labelling the organ. We used our knowledge from learning about the human circulatory system in Science this term to recognise the different parts.





Dates for your Calendar 2021/22 - Term 6

Date	Event	Notes
Friday 1st July	PTA Summer Fair - 3pm-5pm	Whole School
Tuesday 12th July	Longleat trip	Whole School
Wednesday 13th July and Thursday 14th July	Redwood Class Performance - 6pm	Year 6 Parents
Thursday 14th July	Sports Day - 9.30am-1pm (Picnic lunch with parents from 12pm)	YR-Y6 Parents/Carers
Friday 15th July	Redwood Class Leavers BBQ - 5pm-7pm	Year 6
Wednesday 20th July	Redwood Class Leavers Service - 2pm	Year 6 Parents/Carers
	Summer Disco - details to follow	TBC
Thursday 21st July	END OF TERM 6	Whole School

Thought of the week

This week will finally see Glastonbury Festival turn 50, after two years of cancellations due to the pandemic. Starting in 1970 with tickets £1 (with free milk from Worthy Farm) and 1,500 festival goers, tickets now cost from £280 and 210,000 people are expected! The festival will, this year, coincide with planned rail strikes, which in turn will have a knock-on effect to road travel... everything is interconnected!

We feel this interconnection more widely as so many events in places across the globe are impacting us all, not least those most vulnerable in society. These words of Persian poet, Saadi, dating back to the second century; can be found at the entrance to the United Nations building in New York:

"Human beings are members of a whole In creation of one essence and soul. If one member is afflicted with pain, Other members uneasy will remain. If you've no sympathy for human pain, The name of human you cannot retain!"

In his book: "A Promised Land", former US President Barack Obama commented on the impact of this poem in the setting of the UN and in the context of global peace and welfare, the realisation of how interconnected we are. In the Bible, St. Paul writes of many people in the early church yet all being part of one body, each connected to another and all being interdependent: "Its parts should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honoured, every part rejoices with it."

All very well you may say, but what can we do in our own schools or parishes? You do so much! Every organisation that involves people is the same, in that there are many parts yet one body. The well-being of one part is connected to the well-being of another; for the organisation and individuals to flourish, then each needs to play its part, working within agreed values, working towards the goal or vision of our 'main thing'.

In his early days, whilst running for his first term as president, Barack Obama encouraged his staff team to engage with as wide a variety of people, views, and ideas across the USA as possible. To do this he said we must 'respect, include and empower'.

In our communities we may not always agree and, in the end, somebody has to lead or make decisions; yet we can all respect, include and empower others, leading from an informed position. St Paul speaks of those parts of the body who may seem to be weaker and yet are indispensable. Across our schools, in our classrooms, we respect, include, empower and as we do so we are also modelling this to our children, to our young people; setting a pattern for the future. Thank you for all that you do to respect, include and empower others today and for all that you are doing to set these values for the future.

Dear Heavenly God

Thank that our world is a glorious tangle of beautiful connections

Thank you for connections between people near and far

Thank you for connections between people and our planet

Thank you for my immediate connections, family, friends, community

Thank you for wider connections that make me aware of fragility across our world

Thank you for wider connections that enrich my life in so many ways

Help me to connect with people and planet wisely and well, today and everyday

Amen





SPORTS DAY 2022

Join us for our annual Sports Day as your children take part in an action packed morning of exciting events. You are also invited to stay and have a picnic lunch with your children before a presentation.

