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Our School Christian Vision - 'Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring.'

Rooted in Matthew 7 24 – 25 'Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.'

Message from the Headteacher

This week I had the pleasure of meeting with five children who have achieved the bronze award as part of the Citizenship and Character passport awards we are promoting as a whole school.

It was lovely to hear some of the things they had enjoyed completing including playing duck, duck, goose with family, making a model, going



on a walk and making animals out of sticks as well as looking after their two guinea pigs and three cats. We will be holding another awards ceremony at the end of term as I know some children were at forest school and PE when it took place today.

This week our mental health champions have met, they will have a focus on promoting mental health and wellbeing within their classes. At their weekly meetings with Mrs Haigh they will be discussing strategies that they can teach their classes to cope with a range of situations. We look forward to seeing their positive impact across the school.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs West-Gaul

Dates for your Diary

24th Jan - Measuring & Weighing (Year 6) 4th Feb - Athlete visit 7-13th Feb - Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week 18th Feb - PTA Mufti Day 21st - 25th Feb - Half term holiday

Term 3 Christian Value: Wisdom

'Wisdom is worth much more than precious jewels' - Proverbs 8:11



Well done to all of our pupils who have been awarded a certificate this week!



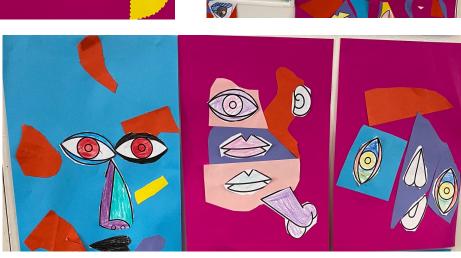
Acorn class	Riley
	Matilda
Ash class	Olivia
Birch class	Amelia L
Chestnut class	Texa
Elm class	Henry S
Holly class	Albie
Hazel class	Isabelle
Maple class	Esme
Oak class	Reuben
Pine class	Spencer
Rowan class	Eliza
Sycamore class	Ted
Willow class	Isaac

Year 2 Learning

This week Chestnut class have been learning about abstract art which uses shape, form, colour and lines to create a picture which may differ from how we usually perceive the subject.



Pupils used coloured paper and templates to create their own interpretation of a face. The results are absolutely fantastic and have been put on display.



Citizenship & Character Awards

Well done to all of the people that received their Citizenship & Character bronze awards yesterday! If you haven't yet achieved your bronze award and would like a few suggestions for activities to do, you're looking in the right place!

1. Learn about Fair Trade (Global Me) - Have you ever noticed this symbol on food packaging? With the help of an adult, why not do some research on the Internet to find out what it means.



2. Profile an endangered species (Global Me) - Tigers, black rhinos, giant pandas and hawksbill sea turtles are all endangered. What does this mean? Why is it happening? Why not use the Internet to find out!

3. Watch clouds (Wellbeing Me) - This weekend should be perfect for cloud gazing. Why not lie down on your back, stare up at the sky and watch the clouds gently pass by. What shapes will you

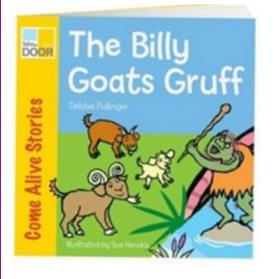
Learning in Reception

This week we have been learning about the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff as part of our topic Open the Book.

We have had fun creating our own trolls, story mapping the story and we have experimented building bridges using different construction.

Here are some of our scary-looking trolls!









Athlete Visit

We're very excited to be welcoming top paralympic athlete Katrina Hart to the school on **Friday 4th February** who be leading a sponsored fitness circuit with all pupils and follow-up with a talk and question and answer session for the school.

Sponsorship forms will be sent home with every child in order to help raise money for the event. You can also sponsor your child by following the link : <u>www.sportsforschools.org</u> Please ensure that sponsorship forms and money are returned to the school office by **Friday 11th February 2022.**

Doodle Maths

As a school we have entered a Doodle Math's competition for a chance to win a bundle of learning resources worth $\pounds 50$. We are encouraging pupils to



be working in the green zone (by achieving their target number of stars) for 14 consecutive days from Friday 21st January to Thursday 3rd February.

A 'little and often' approach gets results. We know that children who Doodle for just 10 minutes a day can improve their confidence, and rapidly accelerate their learning. The programmes include lots of fun features and engaging games designed to encourage daily practice too.

Bike Register

The Radstock Neighbourhood Policing team are holding a "Bike Register" event this Saturday 22nd January from 10.30am at Tom Huyton Park, Radstock.

This is an opportunity for members of the public to get their Bicycles registered on a National Data Base for free.