

Class Newsletter Autumn Term – 09/10/2020



This Week

This week, in **English**, we began a new unit using C.S. Lewis' novel 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' as our focus text. I may or may not have hidden in a cupboard to hook the children into the unit! We have grappled with a range of adjectives seeking to describe the four Pevensie children. In **Maths**, we have continued with a Place Value focus. We honed in on decimal numbers up to three decimal places. In **RE**, we explored how God forgives us and how we are called to forgive, as He does. In **Science**, we had a dilemma as some ice sculptures we ordered arrived too early and started to melt. We had to come up with a way of slowing down the melting process. We also had to work out how to make crispy cakes as the microwave 'blew up!' In **Art**, we used the blending technique with oil pastels in preparation for adding 3D texture to our lilies artwork. In **Geography**, we investigated how we can protect rivers and canals from damage.

World Mental Health Day

This Saturday 10th October is World Mental Health Day. Mental health problems can affect anyone, any day of the year, but 10 October is a great day to show your support for better mental health and start looking after your own wellbeing. World Mental Health Day 2020 is the most important one yet. The months of lockdown and loss have had a huge impact on us all, and prioritising mental health has never been more important than it is now. Making positive change can seem so hard, especially during uncertain times. Sometimes, it can be hard to know where to start. Take the opportunity this World Mental Health Day to find out more about how you can start with one thing.

Important Dates

Sat 10th Oct: World Mental Health Day

Sat 10th Oct: Mr B's birthday!

Fri 23rd Oct: School closes for half term at

3:15pm

Tue 3rd Nov: School reopens from 8:45am Fri 18th Dec: School closes for Christmas

holidays at 2:00pm

HOMEWORK

The homework challenge for the remainder of this half term is **to create a model of a river**.

This can be a generic model or a specific model of a famous river.

The deadline for this is Monday 19th October.

Extra Mile Challenge 1: Make your model a working model that allows water to flow down it. **Extra Mile Challenge 2:** Create a Powerpoint about your river.

Stars of the Week

The **CHRISTIAN VALUE** award for **COURAGE** goes to **Shae** who, despite having one hand in severe pain, soldiered on in school and fully participated as best he could.

The **CURRICULUM** award goes to **Kayla** for super shot put technique in PE.

COURAGEOUS ADVOCATE

To celebrate Black History Month, the Courageous Advocate that we have talked about this week is Thomas Dorsey. He was an American musician that dedicated his musical talents to the Church. He eventually became known as the 'Father of Gospel Music'.

Have a lovely weekend. See you on Monday.

Mr Bateman