

"Teach children how they should live, and they will remember it all their lives..."



# **SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

## Friday October 18th 2024



### Acorn Class

The Acorn class have had another busy fortnight! We have started our topic work on Mary Seacole and the children have been looking at a timeline of her life and why she was important, we look forward to learning more next week. We have finished our book study in English and have now moved on to looking at 'Don't Hog the Hedge', this also fits nicely with out Science topic and hibernation. In Maths, we are continuing our work with Addition and Subtraction. It has been so lovely to see the children's work they did at home on Thursday, a lot of effort was clearly put in! Well done to those who completed it!





#### Children's Voices

#### Sofia says:

I have really been enjoying coming into school in the morning's and reading my book. I have been enjoying reading my book 'Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban', which I have been reading to Mr Richards and also to my Mum.

#### Oak Class

Over the last few days, we have been putting ourselves in the footsteps of Floella Benjamin, and writing to her Gran back in Trinidad after her first few weeks in England. In Maths, we have started written column an subtraction, and applying these strategies into problem solving. In science, we have been looking at the importance of fossils and what they can reveal to us. In History, we have been looking at Tudor and Victorian punishment.





#### <u>Dear Parents</u>

As we come to the end of the first half term, 8 weeks away, time has flown quickly. The nights draw in and the excitement of Halloween is not far away. I know Mr Jones has explored Autumn in Forest School, and we have a lovely Autumn display now in Acorn Class.

We have also celebrated the Blue Hills Award, and congratulations to Phoebe, Annie and Ruby for achieving their Rising Stars Award, and to Arthur and Connie for achieving their Silver Award. Well done ! Nina also celebrated her birthday this week. Happy 5th Birthday Nina! We have sent cards, a present and a lovely video. We shall be thinking of you, Nina, and looking forward to seeing you soon.

Many thanks to everyone for coming together so well for our unexpected whole school closure. Thank you for being so understanding and embracing the home-work we set.

As some of you may know, I am mental health lead across the Federation. I have put some links on the website that are very good signposts for families and children if they need help, further guidance or resources. We have created a worry box here at school, where children can post any worries or concerns that they may have.

Next week, Ann Tobia is returning to school run a school council session. The Year 6's attended these meetings last year and they were such a brilliant opportunity for children to practice expressing their views and being part of a panel sharing ideas.

Based on your great feedback, and overall majority of votes, we shall be going to see Sleeping Beauty at Shrewsbury Severn Theatre. A letter will go out in due course, with the all-important ice cream order!

We have one more week until half term. When we come back our thoughts will be turning to Armistice Day, school trips, the Christmas performance and the Pantomime. Reverend Lois will be leading this year's Armistice Day Service by the war memorial. The service will begin at 10.45. We hope you are able to come along to share the remembering with us.

We would like to wish you all a happy half term. We look forward to seeing you for the always busy and fun lead up to this coming Christmas.



Best Wishes

Mr Chris Richards