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Our Value this month is:

Simplicity

Swimming Gala Success

The children were very successful at Herefordshire's annual swimming gala, gaining many medals which they proudly showed and talked about in assembly. Overall, Much Marcle **WON** the small school's section of the swimming gala. Many congratulations to all 12 pupils!



Bishop of Hereford Visit

Rt Revd Richard Frith, the 105th Bishop of Hereford, visited Much Marcle Primary School. He led the children and staff in an act of worship about responsibility (our focus Value for March), before visiting classes and talking to children.

Pyramid Prom

Much Marcle Primary was well represented at this year's Pyramid Prom at John Masefield High School. Our choir sang the song 'Pop Festival', showing excellent tone and confidence.

Birthday Celebrations

The children made 90 kites for the Queen's 90th birthday. They flew the kites



on the Bartons playing field on Her Majesty's birthday.



The Union flag was flown while children sang the National Anthem accompanied by the school's flautists. Neighbours came out of their houses to hear the children sing.





Sports Relief

I am pleased and very proud to inform you that the total raised for Sports Relief this year was an incredible **£1000!**



We were truly overwhelmed by the generosity of all the sponsors, from our families and friends of the school. A huge thank you to all involved in this wonderful achievement.



Ledbury Sports Tournament

Our football and netball teams both performed extremely well at this year's Cluster Sports Tournament, hosted by Ledbury Primary School.

The netball team got to the quarter-final, whilst the footballers reached the semi-final. Great levels of co-operation, resilience and respect were shown by all of the children during the tournament.

Easter Egg Competition

Our hard-boiled egg competition proved egg-ceptionally popular with children across the school. A lot of thought and hard work went into the brilliant creations. After much deliberation, the winners were announced as:

Class One: Isaac

Class Two: Isabelle

Class Three: Olivia

Class Four: Poppy

Every child that entered received a chocolate egg, with the winners each enjoying a large Easter egg. Here is a selection of the entries...





Easter Service

Thank you to everyone who attended our Easter service at St. Bartholomew's Church. The pupils led an exploration of the importance of Easter through readings, poems and songs.

Dance Festival

Our Year 1 and 2 pupils joined with other KS1 children from local primary schools at John Masefield High School for a dance festival. The children eagerly learnt a routine, later performing it to an audience.

Performing Arts Festival

Our school choir were highly commended by the Judge at the Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival 2016 when she awarded them her first '90' points of the competition. They were proud recipients of the Strathallen Cup after finishing first in the KS2 School Choir category.



The children returned to the stage at the Courtyard Theatre on Saturday evening to perform in the Gala Concert, where they were presented with the Junior Choir of the Year award.

Keen Writer Workshop

On Wednesday 20th March, 12 children from across Key Stage Two visited the Burgage Hall in Ledbury for a Keen Writer workshop. Pupils composed creative and imaginative poems that they keenly shared with their classmates back at school.

Music in Quiet Places

Our award winning school choir has been invited to take part in the Music in Quiet Places initiative at St. Bartholomew's Church on Friday 6th May at 6.00pm. This includes singing with Cantabile, Hereford Cathedral School's choir, who were runners up in the Songs of Praise 'Choir of the Year' competition. All are welcome.



Class Teacher Appointment

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed Miss Hannah Goulding as Class Four's new teacher from September. We will be interviewing for the Class One teacher position in May.

London Visit Meeting

A reminder that there is a meeting for children and parents of those attending the London residential on Monday 16th May at 3.30pm.



Staying Safe

Online safety is an increasingly important topic. The Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) agency has produced some helpful resources, including information packs and videos. Advice can be found on social media and the Internet. Their website is:

www.thinkyouknow.co.uk

Important Dates

MAY

- 2nd Bank Holiday
- 3rd Friends Meeting 6.30pm
- 4th YR&6 Height & Weight Check
- 6th Music in Quiet Places at St Bartholomew's Church
- 9th SATS Week
- 20th Languages Day
- 23rd Y6 London Residential
- 25th Y5 It's a Knockout
- 30th May—3rd June HALF TERM

JUNE

- 6th Year 6 Leavers' Photo
- 9th JMHS Year 5 Open Evening
- 10th Friends 'Strawberry Teas'
- 15th Poetry Day
- 16th Year 5 Day—JMHS
- 17th Class 1 & 2 Three Counties Show
- 21st Class 4 visit to The Courtyard
- 23rd JMHS Open Evening
- 24th Sports Day
- 30th Languages Morning—Malvern St James

JULY

- 7th Moving Up Day
- 11th School Play (Dress Rehearsal)
- 12th School Play
- 13th School Play
- 19th Leavers' Service
- 20th Break up today

September

- 7th Back to School

News

from the

Nursery

New Topic

Our topic this term is 'growing'. We will be planting beanstalks to see how tall they can grow. We have been concentrating on finding Jack on our school field and wondering what adventures he gets up to when we are not around.

Easter Bonnet Parade

The children had a fabulous time on our Easter Bonnet parade. Mrs Harrison and Miss Evans had a very difficult time judging all of the wonderful hats. A decision was made and Skye won first place with Fian in second place. We raised a total of £94.00, which we will put towards creating a water feature outside for the children to use daily.

