



Newsletter

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Our Christian Value of the
 Month is:

Friendship

Children's Prayers

Dear God,

Thank you for our new friends who share, help us when we are hurt and care for us.

Thank you for helping us to be brave if we have a started school or joined a new year or class.

Amen

Written By Honey and Theo
 Year 2



Welcome

We would like to warmly welcome those new families joining us this year and welcome back our existing parents. We hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable Summer and are looking forward to the academic year ahead.

Arts Week

The first week of term began with each class studying self-portraiture and completing their own self-portrait in the style of a well-known artist. Class 1 studied Picasso, Class 2 Leonardo Di Vinci, Class 3 Rembrandt and Class 4 Andy Warhol. We were very lucky to have a visit from a local artist, Kate Cullings, who shared her expertise with the children. She was very impressed with the children's fabulous efforts with such a difficult theme. We look forward to showing you our finished displays when you visit school after the Harvest Festival.



New Spelling Scheme

This term we are starting the Ruth Miskin Read Write Inc. Spelling programme that follows on from the phonics scheme that we teach in Reception and Year 1. The programme is a robust, fast paced and systematic spelling programme for children in Year 2-6. The programme fully supports the aims of the National Curriculum and ensures that children have time to learn and practise new spellings as well as understand and apply the concepts of word structure. The children will receive a daily 15 minute lesson and will no longer receive spellings at home. We hope that this new approach will improve children's confidence in spelling and that learnt spellings are transferred and applied to the children's work.

For further information on Read Write Inc. Phonics and Spellings please visit the website below where the parents page is very informative.

www.ruthmiskin.com

Used Uniform Sale

Please be aware that Mrs Pratley very kindly keeps boxes of old donated uniforms in the back of her car. If you wish to buy any items or you have any that you wish to donate then she is more than happy for you to approach her. The proceeds go to The Friends of Much Marcle.



Sal's Shoe Donations

Mrs Thomas would like to thank all of those who donated their old shoes last term. You donated a phenomenal 150 pairs in total. There are 300 million children in the world for whom walking with shoes is a rarity. This makes them extremely vulnerable to infection from parasites and injuries to their feet can lead to ulcers and other conditions which are almost always left untreated. Without shoes many children are not permitted to attend school. Thank you again for your support.

Local Authority Bus Consultation

For those parents whose children travel on the school bus please be aware that the local authority have been in consultation over the bus contract. If you wish to read the consultation please follow the link below:

https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200136/travel_and_transport/220/local_transport_plan/3

Important Dates

SEPTEMBER

20th Class 4 Swim
27th Class 4 Swim
29th RE Art Day
29th Coffee Morning

OCTOBER

4th Class 4 Swim
5th Class 4 Macbeth at JMHS
13th Harvest Festival
18th Class 4 Swim
19th School Council Elections
23rd HALF TERM
30th Back to School

News From the Nursery

The children in Nursery have been exploring the new play house in the role-play corner this week. As part of their topic 'Marvellous me', the children have had fun painting self-portraits, measuring their feet, making a family tree and measuring life-size cut-outs of themselves.



Staying Safe

For any new parents and to remind existing parents please be reminded of the websites below for tips on how to keep your children safe online.

5-7 Year olds

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7/hectorsworld/

8-10 Year olds

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/cybercafe/cyber-cafe-base/

For any concerns that you may have please be reminded of the websites below.

www.childnet.com
www.ceop.police.uk