



Newsletter

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Our Christian Value of the
 Month is:

Freedom

*'Now the Lord is the Spirit,
 and where the Spirit of
 the Lord is, there is freedom'*

2 Corinthians 3:17



Arts Week

The first week of term began with our annual Arts Week. This year's theme was Seasons and each class used them as their art inspiration. Class 1 used the cold colours of Winter to create their collage landscapes and Class 2 used the warm colours of Summer to create sun inspired weavings in the style of Kandinsky. Class 3 used watercolours to create their own Autumn leaves and Class 4 were inspired by the flight of the Swallow in Spring time. We look forward to showing you our finished displays when you visit after the Harvest Festival.



Physical Education

We have been pleased to welcome new sports coaches from the company Paces this year. They introduced themselves in a whole school assembly and have been working alongside our staff to continue providing excellent physical education during curriculum time and in after school clubs. They have also trained our new Sports Leaders who plan fun sporting activities at lunchtimes for all ages of children.



Class 3's Trip to St Fagans

Class 3 started their topic this term by visiting St Fagans National Museum in Cardiff. The children found out what life was like living in an Iron Age Roundhouse and become archaeologists, exploring the grave of a Celtic Warrior.



Music on the Move

On Thursday 20th September Class 1 and 2 were entertained by Hereford Sixth form Music Students. They enjoyed listening to flautists, pianists and vocalists as they performed some of their favourite classical pieces, as well as playing one of our favourite hymns for the children to join in with.



Children's Prayers

Dear God,

Please let us be thankful for our crops and food that grow, Let us help those who do not have enough.

Amen

By Ava and Daniel
Year 6

National Fitness Day

On Wednesday 26th September, the school celebrated National Fitness Day with a series of activities organised by our Sports Leaders. Each class took part in games of Dodgeball, Dizzy Penalties and Cups and Saucers, as well as navigating their way along an obstacle course. All of the children showed great enthusiasm during the event. We would like to congratulate the Year 6 children on creating some fantastically fun fitness activities and for their excellent organisation and leadership skills on the day.



McMillan Coffee Morning

As always we were overwhelmed by the support shown by parents and the local community. Our musicians and choir entertained us throughout the morning and the event raised a fantastic £307.51.



Air Ambulance

On Monday 1st October school had a very special visitor arrive on the Bartons. Children learnt about the fantastic work that the Air Ambulance does and were very excited to get the opportunity to go inside a retired helicopter.



Climbing Frame

The children were all very excited to watch the construction of our new adventure trail that has replaced our old traditional style climbing frame. The new equipment provides challenge for all ages and abilities, developing balance, strength and co-ordination, even the teachers had a go!



Choir

We would like to thank the children and parents who attended the Community Celebration held at St Michaels and All Angels Church and for giving up part of their Sunday afternoon. Our choir were personally invited by the Chairman of Ledbury Town Council to sing in the celebration. As always the children were a true credit to the school and their parents.





Maths Evening

Our information evening was very well attended and we thank you for your support. Teachers discussed the progression in the four calculations across the school and parents were given opportunities to practice the methods discussed in their child's classes. We had very positive feedback and are planning an English evening next half term.

Class 4 Trip

Class 4 visited the Master's House in Ledbury to see a play called *Between the Lines*, which explored what it was like to be left behind in a market town like Ledbury, during WW1. We also went into the Market House and spoke to a 'WW1 soldier', who told us about his time in the war. The children thoroughly enjoyed the morning and it has given us lots to think about alongside our current topic, WW2.



School Council

We would like to introduce you to our new school council for 2018. On Thursday 18th October candidates delivered their final speeches before the votes were cast. The Council have already had their first meeting and making the school more environmentally friendly is high on their agenda.



Football

The football team got off to a great start to the Mini-League season with their first matches on Tuesday 23rd October. The team had a brilliant 3-2 win against Cradley and an unfortunate 1-0 loss to Ashperton, despite playing an excellent match. The team showed excellent sportsmanship and we look forward to our next matches against Colwall and Bosbury.



Poppy Making

During the last week of half term an artist, James Wood visited school to teach the children how to create their own porcelain poppy to commemorate the First World War Centenary. Once the poppies have been fired the children will place them around the yew tree at St Bartholomew's in preparation for Remembrance Sunday.

Important Dates

November

- 14th Flu Immunisations
- Class 4 Swimming
- 16th Children in Need
- 21st Class 4 Swimming
- 28th Class 4 Swimming
- English Evening for Parents 6pm

News From the Friends

Meet and Greet

The Friends would like to thank those parents who supported their first event this year. Children enjoyed hot dogs whilst new families got acquainted with one another. Thank you to those parents who signed up to help with future events during the year.

