ST ETHELWOLD'S VA SCHOOL



Good afternoon everyone and welcome to your weekly newsletter.

It is hard to believe that we are in the last term of the school year but here we are, Easter eggs eaten and thoughts turning to Sports Day and Leavers' Service - more on these in the coming weeks.

Our junior pupils enjoyed a starter session with Cricket Wales this week and it was lovely to see the next generation of Ben Stokes and Joe Roots getting to grips with the basics of the game - they all had a lot of fun and showed a lot of skill. Well done to everyone.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

DARCIE-RAE FOR EXCELLENT PROBLEM SOLVING AND ADAM FOR SUPER SPELLINGS.

JAMES FOR HIS EFFORT IN THE DAILY MILE AND EVELYN FOR HER HARD WORK IN R,W,I

ELENA FOR HER BEAUTIFULLY WRITTEN WORK AND RUBY FOR HER CARE & ATTENTION

BLAKE FOR GREAT PROGRESS IN MATHS & CHERRI-JO FOR HER BRILLIANT SMILE FOR THE CAMERA



If you follow our Facebook page, you will have seen children wish The Daily Mile a Happy Birthday in a very unique way. If you haven't seen it yet, log on and have a look, it is excellent.

The Foundation Phase and Junior gardening areas are coming along fantastically - there have been some super developments in both departments and we look forward to be able to show you what the children have been doing, and, more importantly, taste, what they have been growing.

If you have not booked a Parents' Evening slot yet, there is still time to do so using the links sent out by Mrs Duggan - if you have any questions on the system we are using please do give us a call and we will assist all we can.

We hope you enjoy the Bank Holiday Weekend and that the sun shines on whatever you do. See you all next Tuesday.



Loving God, your Son told his disciples to become like little children. Lead us to work for the welfare and protection of all young people. May we respect their dignity that they may flourish in life, following the example of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Class 1

This week Class 1 have been busy tidying and sorting our outdoor area ready for some exciting play opportunities throughout the Summer term. We have been mark-making on our new outdoor blackboards and using the water tray and guttering to move water in different ways. Please could the children have their wellington boots and an appropriate coat or jacket with them in school every day.

It has also been our Wow Week and we have been deciding which topic we'll be studying over the next few months. The children have to choose from the topics, Adventurers and Explorers, Kings and Queens or Me and My Family. We are excited to find out which one they choose following our vote next week.

Class 2

This week in Class 2 we have been continuing our work on time and have started to look at digital time. We have played outside games matching analogue and digital times.

This term we will be covering the topic of People and have narrowed it down to three choices of Me and My community, Explorers and Adventurers and Kings and Queens and have been using WOW activities to spark the children's interest, such as drawing crown and drwaing and writing about our families. We will be voting next week to one and will keep you posted as to which one wins.

Diary Dates

Monday 2nd May- School closed for Bank Holiday Wednesday 4th May- Parents Evening Monday 9th May- Year 6 photograph by The Leader

Class 3

This week in class 3 the children have been finding out about the Islamic festival of Ramadan. They have learnt about Sara's life as a young Muslim growing up in the Islamic faith. The children have been given opportunities to make Islamic patterns. They have begun preparing the ground for sowing seeds and planting some early shrubs.

The children have used teamwork whilst creating dens in the outdoors and have had fun learning how to cover the end of the hosepipe, increasing the water pressure to spray the plants in the caterpillar on the sensory trail. They discovered a great way to make mud pies too! Jamie introduced the children to cricket skills on Thursday. Alot of fun had by everyone!

Class 4

We have hit the ground running in Class 4 this week! After neglecting our allotment for two weeks during the dry Easter holidays, our plants needed lots of TLC this week so we have spent 'allot' of time outside making sure they were all ok and had enough water etc.

In Maths this week we have begun to look at algebra... after a rocky start we have made some really good progress these last few days and the pupils are now approaching problems with increased confidence.

In English this week we have been looking at Newspaper Reports. We have looked at some good examples and made our own WILF sheet so we know what we have to include in our own reports which we will be starting next week. Wrexham Football Club restarted their work with us today and began some work on 'Project Protect Planet' in conjunction with the Premier League. We learnt some scary facts about Plastic Pollution and some tips to help us reduce our own reliance on Single Use Plastic.

We also enjoyed a Cricket session this week thanks to Cricket Wales and celebrated the Daily Mile's 10th Birthday. They sent us some lovely T-shirts to mark the occasion and we returned the compliment by making a video to wish them Happy Birthday! Check it out on Facebook and Twitter.

Belief, Effort, Kindness