



Christian Value for this Half Term: Peace and Justice

TALK ABOUT PEACE TOGETHER...

In school, children will have been learning about different kinds of **peace** including **peace** that comes when it is quiet, the things that make for **peace** of mind and the qualities of a **peacemaker**. In this issue of Home School Values, we will be focussing on the last of these.

All families have disagreements and arguments from time to time.

- What are the things that cause members of your family to fall out?
- Are there particular times of the day that arguments happen?
- How do each of you feel inside at these times?



RED
NOSE
DAY

Thank you for your support with this fundraising initiative – we raised **£184.82** and it was great to see some amazing 'rock stars' in school!



READ TOGETHER...

David Tries To Make Peace With King Saul

King Saul knew that he needed to keep an eye on young David. He had killed the giant, Goliath, and now people were saying that David should be king. David was a gifted musician and so Saul asked him to come and live in his palace and play soothing music to him when he was in a rage.

David became more and more popular and a good friend of Saul's own son Jonathan. Saul became more and more angry and jealous. Finally one day, as he watched David **peacefully** playing his harp Saul's fury erupted and he threw a spear at David narrowly missing him. David knew he must escape from Saul's palace and with Jonathan's help, he fled into the desert. Before long, hundreds of followers joined David. Saul was furious and, with 3000 of his finest soldiers, set out to hunt David down and kill him.

One day Saul and his men stopped by a huge cave. Saul went into the cave alone or so he thought! In fact, David and his friends had been resting in another part of the cave and when they saw Saul, David's men whispered, "This is your chance David. God has delivered Saul into your hands to deal with as you please. Let's kill him at once." David ordered his men to stay back while he crept forward and taking his knife from his belt, instead of killing Saul he simply cut off a corner of the king's cloak.

As Saul left the cave, David called after him, "My King, why do you think that I want to harm you and cause a rebellion? Look, here is a piece of your cloak! I could have killed you but I wish for only **peace** between us."

Saul was overcome with sadness for what he had done. "May the Lord reward you richly for the way you have treated me today. I know now that one day David you will indeed be king."

--- Our 2021 Lent Appeal ---

Every year our school community comes together and holds a Lent Appeal where we focus on raising the profile of how we can help those in need and develop an appreciation of all that we have. This year we chose to support 'Zarach', a charity that focuses on the impact of poverty on children's welfare and their education in Leeds. Here's how the classes raised money this year;

Nursery: Took part in a sponsored sing

Reception: Will be holding a raffle for a piece of art

Years 1 + 2: Had a 'Pyjama Day'

Year 3 Enjoyed a Den Building day

Year 4: Held a Sponsored Silence

Year 5 + 6: Joint Fitness 1000 Challenge

If you still have sponsor money/donations to send in we would be grateful if you could do this ASAP this week. We will update you with how much we raise for Zarach. Thank you so much, as always, for your generous support.

Year 6 News

Year 6 have had a brilliant attitude towards learning following their return to school. We benefited from Mrs Yakob extending her time at St Chad's to help support us with our learning. We completed the 1000 exercise repetition challenge, mummified oranges, attending a virtual author visit by Chris White, created Jacob Hashimoto inspired art installations and each been scientists performing a huge array of experiments as part of Science Week 2021.



Year 3 News

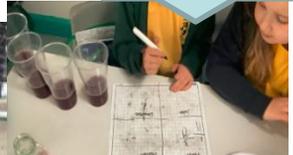


We composed list poems: What's under a Monster's bed?

A coat made of handshakes, a hat made of smiles!



Fractions are fun!



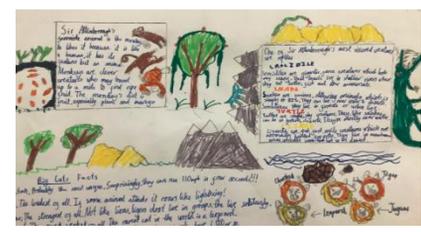
Was I really allowed to eat my maths?



It's been so lovely having everyone back to share, care, laugh and learn!



Posters created during Science week showed what we are passionate about!



DIARY DATES

APRIL

- Monday 19th:** **School + Nursery Re-Open**
Wednes. 21st: Deadline for Flourish Garden Entries
Thurs 22nd: Y4 swimming resumes
Stephen Lawrence Day
Tuesday 27th: PTA Meeting

MAY

- Monday 3rd:** **School + Nursery Closed (Bank Holiday)**
Thursday 26th: Y4 – last swimming lesson
Friday 28th: **School + Nursery Close for Half-Term**

JUNE

- Monday 7th:** **School + Nursery Re-Open**
Thursday 10th: Y3 Swimming Begins
Wednes. 16th: Y4 Visit to Nell Bank
Wednes. 23rd: 7:00pm – New Reception Parents Evening (Virtual)
Tuesday 29th: Science Day – Whole School

JULY

- Friday 2nd:** **School + Nursery Closed – Training Day**
Wednesday 7th: Sports afternoon in bubbles (KS1)
Friday 9th: Reception Class Assembly
Y6 Production (Pre-Recorded)
Pupil reports distributed
Tuesday 13th: Nursery Sports Afternoon
Thursday 15th: Y3 – Last swimming lesson
Friday 16th: Sports afternoon in bubbles (KS 2)
Tuesday 20th: Reception Class Graduation
Wednes. 21st: Nursery end of year celebration
Open afternoon for existing parents (TBC)
Thursday 22nd: Y6 Leavers Assembly – Pre-Recorded
Friday 23rd: **School + Nursery Close for Summer**
Monday 26th + Tues. 27th Training Days

~~ Holy Week Diary ~~

For Christians Holy Week is a very important week in the Liturgical year. We explored the events of Holy Week in a safe, simple and reflective way before Easter. Here's what we did.....

On **Monday 29th March** Mark Twine shared an introduction to Holy Week.

Tuesday 30th March we had the most beautiful socially distanced collective worship on the playground remembering Palm Sunday and to add to our joy the sun shone. What made it particularly special was the simplicity of our gathering. We listened to the story of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on a donkey and processed around the playground with palm leaves.

Wednesday 31st March Year 5 acted the story of the Widows Coins with poise and grace. We listened to "Laudate Dominum" and sang "Jesus remember Me" – it was very moving.

On **Thursday 1st April** we joined together via zoom to reflect on The Last Supper which Christians recall on Maundy Thursday. Mrs Slorach washed the feet of one child from each class in the hall to remember that Jesus washed the feet of his disciples to show the importance of humility and service.



Year 4's Greek Day

Year 4 had an amazing "Greek Day" when they dressed up and discovered more about Ancient Greek life and beliefs.



Flourish Garden Challenge
Reminder: the deadline for garden designs is **Wednesday 21st April 2021** – please refer to the letter sent out before Easter for more information