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Friday 23rd February 2024


The second half of the spring term has started with a vengeance and it has been a very busy week.
Potential candidates for the head teacher position have been looking around the school and there have been lots of positive comments about what a great environment we have. The gymnastics teams competed at the Dudley Schools' competition. 9 teams of 5 gymnasts competed, with us winning 3 out of the 6 categories on offer. Well done to all involved and thanks, as ever,
to Mr Bradley for organising our participation. The children in Years
Five and Six visited Carding Mill Valley this week to study the area's physical geography and to develop their understanding of river flow. Year Five drew the short straw and managed to experience quite a lot of meteorology as well as geography! There was more water in the stream than that which fell on our groups, but not by much!

You should have received information about a few upcoming events. On Monday $4^{\text {th }}$ March at 7:00 there will be a presentation about Forest Schools in the hall. We have planned a timetable to give all of our children an experience of this before the end of the Summer term. However, it might be of greatest interest to parents with children in current Reception and Y1 classes as we will be focussing principally on our Y1 and Y2 children from September. Thanks to all who have
donated resources for this initiative. If anyone knows of a few old scaffolding planks in need of a new home, we would be most interested. Next Friday, the children will watch a performance of "The Wizard of Oz " as we have been able to arrange this with a view to World Book Day events on $7^{\text {th }}$ March. On that day we are looking forwards to welcoming various Tin Men, Lions, Scarecrows and Dorothys into school to accompany the usual collection of Munchkins!


The menu for next week will be week 2

## COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Our theme for Collective Worship this week was 'Forgiveness', which is our core Christian value for this half-term. We have had the opportunity to reflect on times when we have had to forgive or be forgiven.
"When you forgive, you do not change the past, but you can change the future."

Attached to this newsletter is more information around our core value of Forgiveness for you to share with your children.

## YEARS 1 \& 2 P.E. DAYS

Years 1 \& 2 will now be taking part in PE on Mondays and Fridays. Please ensure earrings are removed for these days; PE kits should be in school all the time.

Thank you.
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## BOOKING LUNCHES

Can we remind parents when booking lunches to complete the checkout process and ensure the basket is empty. It's only when the basket is completely emptied that the booking comes through to the kitchen.
Unfortunately, if a booking has not been received by us, the kitchen is only able to offer a jacket potato option to your child.
If you have any issues booking
lunches, please contact us.
Thank you.
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## BLACK COUNTRY FOODBANK

We would like to thank everyone who donated money at our Key Stage 1 production and Key Stage 2 carol service before Christmas.
A total of $£ 571.57$ was raised which was donated to the Black Country Foodbank which enables them to provide food and toiletry parcels for families and individuals in crisis. It was a truly fantastic amount to raise and we are very grateful for your generosity.

## ACTIVITIES AFTER SCHOOL

The following activities will be taking place after school next week:

Monday<br>Ace Coaching<br>(Pre-booked and prepaid activity)

## KS2 Choir

Yr 6 Football Match
v Alder Coppice (a)

| Thursday |
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| Netball Match |

v Glynne Primary (h)

Yrs 5 | Friday |
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| \& Football |
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PRAISE ASSEMBLY
The following children have received a certificate in Praise Assembly today:-

Seth -RY
Edie-RH
Arthur-1C
Evie-1/2B
Annabelle-2S
George -3N
Charlotte -3/4J
Samuel -4C
Jackson-5CS
Joe -5/6M
Arthur -6P
Kindness award - Maizie (1C)

