

Mrs Mason's Messages



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Headteacher's Weekly Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been such an action-packed week at school this week I will have to keep my message short! There have been trips out to York, Bradford and Idle to enjoy as well as National Storytelling Week, National Read-Aloud Day and Dress Up for Digits Day to enjoy in school—hope you like the photographs!

It's been great to see the children taking part in such a range of activities and events as well as developing their pupil voice through Worship Team and Digital Leaders—read on to find out more about these groups. Have a peaceful weekend. Mrs Mason

SMSC



Our SMSC (Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural) focus this term is equality and diversity. This week we have been thinking about different religions and festivals and Worship Team planned and delivered worship linked to Chinese New Year.

Staff training on SMSC this week has seen us reflect on our teaching of racial equality, discrimination and harassment.

School News



It's been a busy week at school! There have been lots of different trips and events going on across the year groups. Year 1RR took part in their local walk to Idle (the wind made it hard going!), Year 3 visited



the Shree Lakshmi Naryan Hindu temple in Bradford linked to their RE unit of work on Hinduism and Year 2 had their first ever school trip to the National Railway Museum in York!



It's been fun-filled in school as well as outside as we have taken part in National Storytelling Week. Mrs Murphy and Mrs Mason had chosen a special book for each class teacher to share with their class in celebration and we are hoping the children will recommend their class books to each other.

Worship

It has been lovely to return to phase worship this week and we have begun to think about the value of Reverence. This links with our previous work on Respect. Our Bible text this week was taken from Exodus with the story of Moses and the burning bush. You should also have received the Christian Values homework this week thinking about Reverence and Respect.



'Dress Up for Digits'

Today it has been 'Dress Up for Digits' Number Day in aid of the NSPCC. Mr Tetley worked hard on devising different number challenges for the children hidden around the playground and it was brilliant to see everyone joining in so enthusiastically throughout the day.

Thank you to everyone for donating to the NSPCC—we will let you know the final total raised next week.

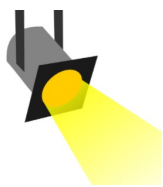


Prayer



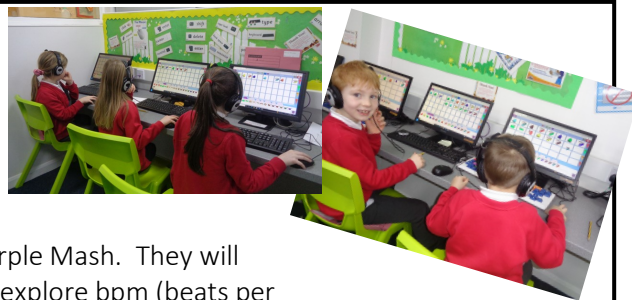
Dear Lord,
Help us to understand that everybody is important.
Help us to show respect to all people in everything we do and say.
Help us to respect places.
Help us to revere you.
Amen





In the Spotlight.....

Computing



Year 2 are making music digitally, the children will explore, edit and combine sounds using 2Sequence in Purple Mash. They will edit and refine the music they have composed. Children will explore bpm (beats per minute), volume and mixing layers of digital musical instruments.

They will think about how music can be used to express feelings and create tunes, which depict feelings. Additionally the children will upload a sound from a bank of sounds into the Sounds section and record and upload their own recorded environmental sounds.



Year 6 are learning about the internet, WWW and LAN networks, they have been learning about what the Internet consists of and finding out what a LAN network is. They will also find out how the Internet is accessed in school. The children will be completing a survey of the school buildings to look at the school's LAN hardware.

If a child has missed lessons, help for Computing topics can often be found on Class Dojo and on Purple Mash.

Digital Leaders comprise of Year 6 and Year 5 pupils.

Pupils applied to be a Digital Leaders in September, completing an application form informing us what would make them a good Digital Leader. The Digital Leaders are being trained and support to develop areas of expertise in supporting technology within our school. For example, trouble shooting in class and helping teachers, checking equipment is being taken care of and replaced into storage trollies correctly. Along with a good computing knowledge and an enthusiasm for learning and sharing their knowledge with others.

Mrs Armstrong-Whike

Pupil Voice

This week we have been delighted to form a new Worship Team here at Idle to plan and deliver worship across school. The Worship Team is made up of 2 children from each KS2 class. The theme of worship this week was Chinese New Year and the children were brilliant in leading their first worship for our school community.



Beavers and Cubs

Is your child interested in joining Beavers or Cubs?
There are currently spaces with 4th Bradford North Scouts who meet on Thursdays at Thackley Methodist Church. Beavers is for ages 6-8 and meet 6pm to 7:15pm and

Cubs is for ages 8-10 and meet 6:45pm to 8pm .

For more information please contact the following:
Beavers - Becky - 07971 562 019



Community News

Following several months of closure, Holy Trinity will be reopening for Sunday services from Sunday 6th February with services at 9.30am and 11am.

All our other midweek activities (Wednesday Communion , play-groups, breakfast club) will be remaining in their alternative venues for a further couple of weeks whilst final tweaks are made during the working week.



Diary Dates

Monday 7th—Friday 11th February—Children's Mental Health Week

Wednesday 9th February—Y5 Mosque visit

Tuesday 15th February 2pm—parent forum (homework) via Microsoft Teams

Friday 18th February—last day of half term