



NEWSLETTER

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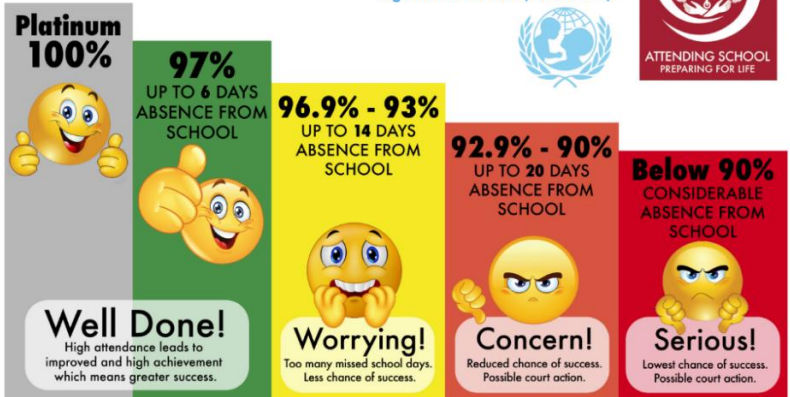
Attendance last week (period 02.09.21-30.04.21)	92.9%
Attendance this week (period 02.09.21-07.05.21)	93.1%

We have 5 year groups with 100% attendance this week. WELL DONE!

Reception	100%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	98.5%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	95.8%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	100%

WHAT IS YOUR ATTENDANCE?

Right to education (Article 28)



There are 175 non school days a year. That's plenty of time to go on visits, holidays, shopping and other appointments.

This week's



Should we all be treated the same?

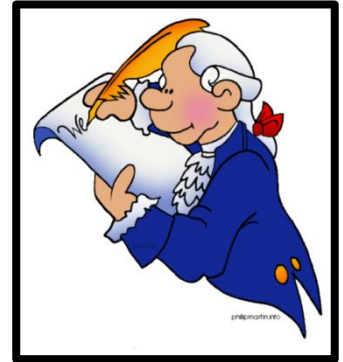
Assembly focus this week:
The parable of the Great Banquet



A bit of History – Dr Anthony Walker - Doctor of Divinity

The various clergymen who have served the parish of Fyfield during the last nine hundred years have caused few ripples on the surface of England's history, but the seventeenth century rector, Dr Anthony Walker is a distinguished exception.

Walker's name is associated with several of the places featured on the Millennium wall hanging in the church and, accordingly, it is fitting to include the following notes about him in this website. A biography is in preparation for those who would know more of the man.



Anthony Walker was born at Connington in Cambridgeshire in 1622, son of William Walker and Susanne, his wife. When Anthony was six, his mother died. Four months later, his father married Marie, daughter of John Bois, Canon of Ely and a member of the committee appointed by King James to translate the Bible.

Following school at Ely, Anthony was admitted to St John's, Cambridge in 1638 where he achieved his MA in 1645. Ordained by Bishop Winniffe of Lincoln in 1644, his first position was as curate to John Gauden, the colourful Dean of Bocking. After three years with the Dean, Walker was appointed household chaplain to the Earl of Warwick at Leeze Priory where he met, for the first time, Mary Rich, Countess of Warwick. Later acclaimed as the most pious of all seventeenth century ladies, the Countess attributed to Walker, alone, her conversion to a life dedicated to seeking salvation, after a youth spent in the pursuit of pleasure. Their friendship and her spiritual dependence upon him endured until her death in 1678.

Walker's time at Leeze coincided with the troubles leading up to the execution of Charles I, who had recommended him, unsuccessfully, as a Fellow of St John's. Within hours of the execution, a significant fillip was given to the royalist opposition with the publication of the Eikon Basilike, ostensibly the reflections of Charles during his imprisonment. So alarmed was Cromwell's government by its impact, that the poet Milton was commissioned to write a rejoinder, Eikonoclastes. Eikon Basilike had, in fact, been written by Gauden and in the furious controversy about its authorship which raged for decades afterwards, Walker was an important witness because it was he who had carried the work to the publishers, under conditions of great difficulty and considerable drama. Walker was the last of the first hand witnesses to publish his version of these exciting events and his testimony is now accepted as the authentic account.

In 1650, Walker married Elizabeth Sadler, who he had met at Barnston one Sabbath when he had exchanged duties with the rector there. For the first year of their marriage, Walker held the living of Croydon. He was active in preaching sermons in the prison there, despite the prevalence of Gaol Fever, which afflicted the judiciary as much as the prisoners. Walker caught the disease himself but he recovered and convalesced at the London house of his father-in-law. The courage he had shown during this period was a hallmark of the man and he was to stick to his post again later in life when he held the living of St Mary Aldermanbury (as well as Fyfield) and continued to preach throughout the Great Plague of 1665.

In 1652, sometime after his complete recovery from Gaol Fever, Walker was appointed by the Earl of Warwick to the living of Fyfield which he held until his death in 1692. He was never, however, a simple country parson. Within Fyfield he is remembered for the school which he founded by his Will, part of which is transcribed on the eighteenth century benefaction board at the back of St Nicholas' church. It is less well known that he also provided detailed instructions for a grammar school in a barn belonging to Wethers, which house he had bought and rebuilt in expectation that his wife would live there after his death. The grammar school did not, apparently, materialise. His will hints at the extent of his property holdings in Fyfield and neighbouring parishes. He owned houses, farms, fields and woods in profusion, although it is difficult to identify the specific properties today due to name changes, fragmentation and the changed topography. A few names are, however, clearly recognisable, such as Widny Greene, Northwood, Millhatch, Bruetts and, as mentioned, Wethers.

During their life together at the moated rectory, nowadays called Parsonage House, his wife Elizabeth kept a private journal into which her husband promised he would never pry during her lifetime. After her death in 1690, the good doctor, having openly recorded his grief in the parish register, opened his late wife's diary and read, for the first time, the memoirs of a remarkable woman.

He read the carefully observed symptoms of the various illnesses which beset, and ultimately claimed the lives of all their eleven children. He read of her fears on the August night her husband failed to come home from London, not knowing that he had been attacked by robbers on the road and, later, he read of her anger when he was unjustly imprisoned in Tilbury Fort during the Monmouth Rebellion of 1685. And he read also the contented account of their wedding day, some forty years previously. Anthony Walker was moved by what he read to publish his late wife's biography, based largely upon her own words, subjoined with his own commentary only so far as was necessary to describe her virtues and charity and to convey the immensity of his personal loss.

In the wider context of seventeenth century society, Walker was a distinguished cleric; chaplain to the king and friend of the mighty. He died in 1692 in London while seeing to the publication of his True Account of the Eikon Basilike. His final resting place is uncertain. He wanted to be buried among his children in the chancel at Fyfield but the record does not indicate that his wish was respected.

His line continued by a single thread. His only daughter to reach adulthood, Margaret, married John Cox of Coggeshall but she died following the birth of their son, John, who went on to Felsted School and eventually joined the Bar.

Source: <https://studylib.net/doc/7859819/dr-walker---brief-biography> (Marcus Dain)

What happened in school this week?

"People Who Help Us."

This week Caterpillars have been practicing getting dressed by using puppets. We have also been looking at simple first aid. This is included in our Topic: "People Who Help Us."



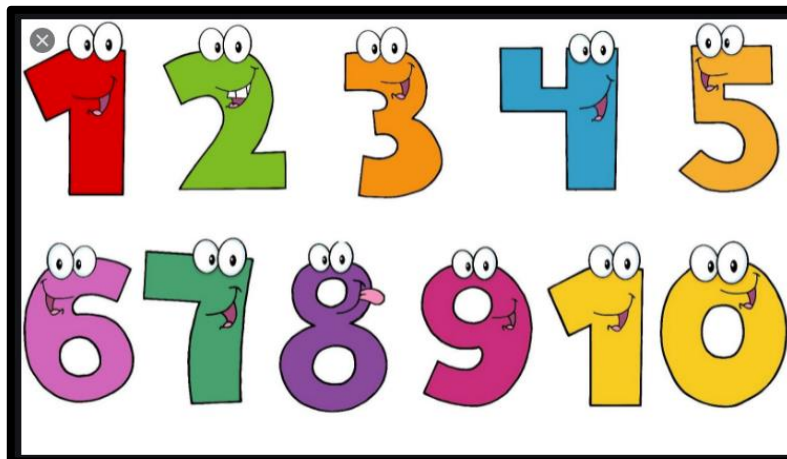
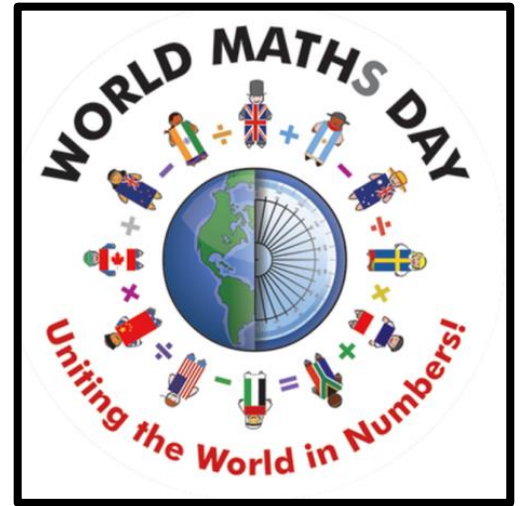
World maths Day – 5th May

The aim of World maths day is to get pupils excited and enthusiastic about learning maths!

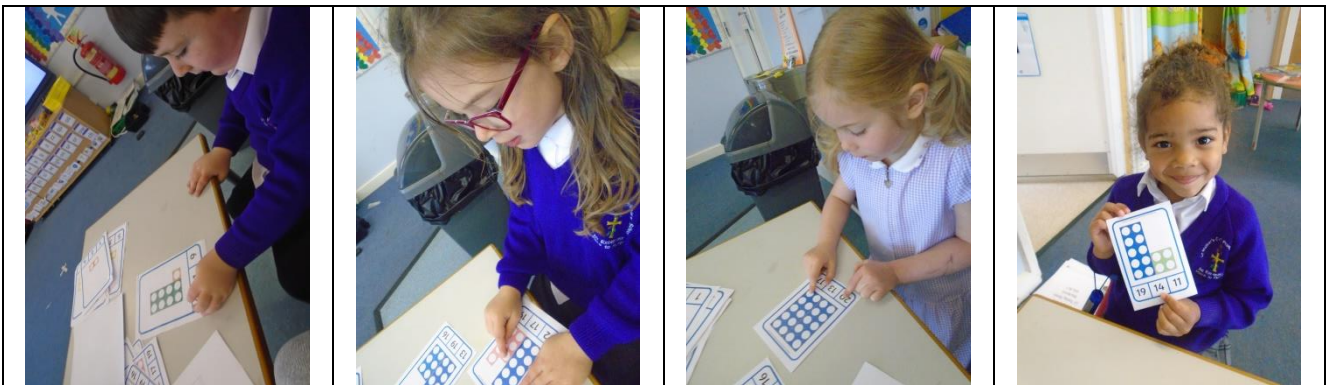
The day is also intended to connect the global learning community and foster friendships between children of different cultures as they learn to excel in mathematics together.

The History of World Maths Day

World Maths Day was created by Australian digital learning resource developer 3P Learning in 2007. The first World Maths Day was held on 5th May (3.14, or "Pi Day") of that year, and almost 300,000 students from 98 different countries participated in online competitive games centred around mental maths problems.



Reception class using Numicon for Maths.



Years 1 and 2 showing mathematical calculations and workings out.



Dates to remember

Half-term break: 31 May – 4 June

INSET day: 7 June



Non-pupil school days for the next academic calendar

- Wednesday 01.09.21
- Friday 22.10.21
- Tuesday 04.01.22
- Tuesday 19.04.22
- Monday 06.06.22

LOOK!

Updated policies

Kindly refer to the school website to see the following updated school policies:

Policies (Updated)

Home >> Key Information >> Policies (Updated)

-  Policy - Admissions.pdf
-  Policy - Bereavement and Procedures.pdf
-  Policy - Charging and Remissions.pdf
-  Policy - Child Protection.pdf
-  Policy - Complaints.pdf
-  Policy - Debt.pdf
-  Policy - Disability Equality and Accessibility.pdf
-  Policy - Educational Visits and Off-site Activities.pdf
-  Policy - LAC.pdf
-  Policy - Post-LAC.pdf
-  Policy - Preventing Radicalisation and Extremism.pdf
-  SEND Information Report.pdf























School menu

We are linking our school lunch menus with international countries. We are tasting food from all over the world!



		MENU ONE				
		Weeks commencing: 10.05.21 / 24.05.21 / 14.06.21 / 28.06.21 / 12.07.21				
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
						
Country	Italy	India	United Kingdom	Spain	United Kingdom	
Mains Option	 Beef Bolognese	 Chicken Korma Curry	 All day breakfast (pork sausage and bacon)	 Spanish omelette	 Omega 3 Fish fingers	
Vegetarian Option	 Pasta Naepolitan	 Quorn Korma Curry	 Veggie sausage breakfast	 Vegetable and cheese quesadillas	 Jacket Potato or Sweet Potato (with choice of fillings)	
On the side	Garlic Bread Mixed salad	Rice Sweetcorn Mixed salad	Scrambled eggs Hash browns Baked beans	Herby diced potatoes Broccoli Mixed salad	Sweet potato wedges Baked beans or peas Coleslaw Mixed salad	
Desert	 Brownie and ice-cream	 Shortbread biscuit	 100% Fruit lolly	 Fruit Jelly	 Lemon drizzle cake	
Also available	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	
Drinks	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	

		MENU TWO				
		Weeks commencing: 17.05.21 / 07.06.21 / 21.06.21 / 05.07.21 / 19.07.21				
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
						
Country	USA	China	France	Mexico	United Kingdom	
Mains Option	 Beef Burger	 Sweet and Sour (pork)	 Sausage Cassollet  Baguette with choice of fillings (ham, tuna or cheese)	 Nacho Chicken	 Fish fillet	
Vegetarian Option	 Veggie Burger	 Sweet and Sour (quorn)	 Ratatouille (Roast vegetables)	 Nacho Quorn	 Jacket Potato or Sweet Potato (with choice of fillings)	
On the side	Coleslaw Sweet potato chips Mixed salad	Rice Sweetcorn Mixed salad	Pasta Green beans Mixed salad Cheese and cracker	Carrots Cous cous Mixed salad	Potato chips Baked beans or peas Mixed salad	
Desert	 Brownie and ice-cream	 Shortbread biscuit	 Crepes with fruit and ice- cream	 Fruit Jelly	 Lemon drizzle cake	
Also available	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	
Drinks	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	

Kind reminders:



Please make sure to wear face coverings when dropping off and collecting pupils at the beginning and end of the school day.

Please be considerate of parking outside of the school, as it is causing upset with neighbours, due to obstructing driveways and blocking access for emergency vehicles.

There is a car park at the top of the road that can be used to avoid parking issues.



A leave of absence form must be completed to request for a child to have any planned absence from school.
Forms can be obtained from the school office.

Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline

The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline and the PHE Advice Service (option 1) is available to answer any questions you have about coronavirus (COVID-19) relating to education settings and children's social care.

Phone : 0800 046 8687
Opening hours : Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm
Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 6pm

Please listen carefully to all of the available options before selecting the most appropriate option for your nursery, school, college or university.

Bible verse of the week



Kind regards,

Dr L Lawson
Headteacher