








Newsletter

Summer Term – 21.06.2024



School Values	This week's news...
<p>Standing with COURAGE for what is right.</p> <p>Using CREATIVITY in problem-solving and making life beautiful.</p> <p>Treating every person and everything with RESPECT.</p> <p>Having COMPASSION for others.</p> <p>Completing every task with PERSEVERANCE.</p> <p>Taking RESPONSIBILITY for ourselves.</p> <p>Living with HOPE for a better future.</p>	 <p>It has been a very hot week and the children have been coping well with the heat.</p> <p>The Staff were lucky to have some wonderful cakes baked for them by our School Governor Jill Smylie, "Thank You Jill!"</p> <p>Christian Life at Dr Walkers</p> <p>The Open Book group gave another interactive assembly based on the story of Saul and his road to Damascus. Children took roles in the assembly to illustrate the story.</p>

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House Points			
Ants	Badgers	Locusts	Lizards
			
2614	2450	2290	2433

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Class news

Reception & Year 1

For English, we have begun to look at playscripts and are using the book 'Vled and the Great Fire of London' as our model text. Reception and Year 1 children also began to make their own Tudor houses. Next week, we will be incorporating dialogue between Vled the flea and Boxton the rat.






Years 2 & 3

The most exciting event of the week was the long-awaited unwrapping of the mummified tomatoes! Everyone's tomato was revealed to be perfectly mummified, so the children could certainly rival the Ancient Egyptians with their mummification techniques! The children have worked really hard to put their assembly together this week and Mrs Snow and Miss Burcher were really proud of their performance on Friday.



Years 4, 5 & 6

This week we have been working hard in our French lesson. We have revised basic greetings and learned how to ask and answer the question 'how are you?' in French.

	Salut , Jasmina.
	Salut, Patrick. ¿ Ça va ?
	Ça va bien.
	Et toi ?
	Ça va mal.
	Au revoir , Patrick.
	Au revoir, Jasmina.

Did you know that French is the fifth most widely spoken language in the world and the official language in 29 countries?

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Rewards



Belief in self and the development of confidence, respect, and trust for others and an appreciation of spirituality and an understanding of faith in God;

Engagement in a love for learning by nurturing curiosity and independence; and

Excellence in reaching personal goals by demonstrating resilience and positive behaviour.

Reception & Year 1	Believe	Jake	Having the courage to extend his writing.
	Engage	Luna	Being enthusiastic with her early morning sentence writing.
	Excel	Jett	Working so hard on his phonics.
	Star of the week	Noah	Working hard at forming his letters.
Years 2 & 3	Believe	Loki	For believing in himself and volunteering to take on some really tricky extra lines in our assembly. Good job Loki!
	Engage	Jude	For asking thoughtful questions about Rosa Parks during our guided reading sessions.
	Excel	Evie-May	For being incredibly organised and helpful during our assembly preparation. If you saw something that needed doing, you jumped in and just did it. You're fantastic Evie-May!
	Star of the week	Hugo	For being a kind, supportive and generous friend to his multiplication tables partner. He was really encouraging her. Thank you Hugo!
Years 4, 5 & 6	Believe	Harleigh	For knowing that she can complete set tasks.
	Engage	Sienna	For taking part in class activities with a positive attitude.
	Excel	Teddy Do	For excelling in his assessments.
	Star of the week	Sidney	For trying hard in lessons!

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Other news

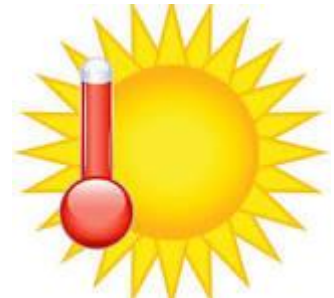
Hot weather

It has been a very hot week and the children have been allowed to wear sandals to school. Whilst the weather remains hot, this will continue. However, can we remind parents that any footwear **MUST** have a back strap. Flip flops/sliders etc. are not suitable school wear.

On Tuesdays and Wednesdays trainers and socks should be brought in by the children to wear for PE, if they are not wearing them already.

Please make sure your child has had sun cream applied in the morning, brings a hat and a water bottle with water (t juice or squash), which can be filled during the day so they can keep hydrated.

If the temperature continues, we will take a view about stopping football during the lunch break to prevent the children from becoming over heated.



Pop-Up Art Exhibition

Creative Courageous Advocacy – A Pop-Up Art Exhibition
Chelmsford Cathedral – 18 to 21 June

The Chelmsford Diocese Education Team invited our Church schools to submit artwork and any other creative response which captures their message as Courageous Advocates, questioning and tackling social injustice and the children's commitment to making a difference; to be part of a special exhibition of children's work from across the Diocese. Lots of schools took part in the exhibition. I was very impressed by the standard of work by the pupils at Dr Walker's, it was very important to see how they expressed themselves through art, it was engaging and enlightening. It was a wonderful exhibition and I hope the pupils at Dr Walker's will take part in next year's exhibition.

Important dates

02.07.24	KS2 Athletics festival at Ongar Academy
03.07.24	Movie and Pizza making Year 6
04.07.24	High Ropes and Nuclear wild forest Year 6
05.07.24	Lambourne End trip – Years 4 & 5
08.07.24	Swimming Lessons Years 4/5/6
11.07.24	Mobile Library Bus Event
15.07.24	Swimming Lessons Years 4/5/6
23.07.24	Church Service for year 6 Leavers 10am at St Nicholas Church followed by a Family Picnic on the school field.

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