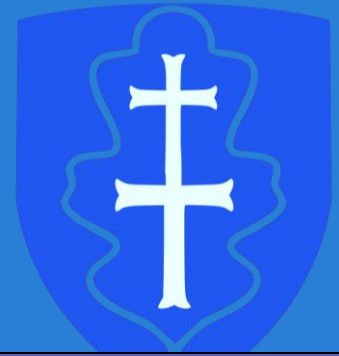


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Head Teacher's News

I have felt a deep sense of pride in our school this week. After spending a week exploring 'Mustard Seeds' - characters who have inspired us by rising to greatness from small beginnings, supporting others along the way - the staff have created some inspirational opportunities enabling children to shine brightly.

I am hugely excited about the Nativity next week. Badgers, Otters and Hedgehogs have been rehearsing hard. Listening to the songs and performances from my office, the speed of progress they have made with their singing, intonation and acting is very impressive.

In Year 3/4, I was lucky enough to spend some time on Wednesday exploring the concept of guiding lights and faith. I was so impressed by the comments the children made, that I felt compelled to write some here.

'Hearing Dogs are guiding lights. They bring light into people's lives when they need it.'

'When you are stuck with something, anything, a guiding light shows you the way to go and how to get out.'

'I am a Christian, so Jesus is my guiding light. He leads me out of dark places.'

On Monday, we enjoyed two fantastic events that really showcased the talents of our children. First of all, Falcons and Eagles held their Wax Work museum. This was a chance for children and parents to find out all about the characters Year 5/6 had been researching and exploring last week. Once again, the performance and presentation skills on display were fabulous.



Also on Monday, Mrs Stevens' Art Club held their gallery presentation. Although I had seen the works of art as they progressed through the term, seeing all of them together on display truly blew me away. The sheer quality of the pieces produced was quite incredible, and the sense of pride you could see in the children as they showed parents their efforts was magnificent.



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It is weeks like this that make me feel blessed to be part of a school where the children really do shine. I wish everyone a relaxing and enjoyable weekend and look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Sam Browne

Stars of the Week 06.12.19

Ella for being prepared to have a go on her own this week

Emelia for giving her all during rehearsals of the Nativity performance

Savannah for showing resilience in learning her times tables

Summer for participating in every lesson and challenging herself in Maths

PTA

We are registered with easyfundraising.org.uk and it is a great way of raising funds for the school, especially as you start buying those Christmas presents. All you need to do is go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk, search for Radnage in the cause (it will say Radnage C of E Infant) then click support this cause. It will then ask you to set up an account. Once you have done this, you can add the quick access button to your browser by clicking on 'Add the Donation Reminder' as per the picture on the right. Then, each time you shop online, click the easyfundraising symbol first and, if the retailer is registered, we will get a donation!

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We have two big targets we are working towards now: the first is designing and installing a Reflection/Sensory garden for the school, which will provide a space for children to de-sensitise and take some quiet time out, and the second is installing external security lights to make the school a safer place at night. All funds raised will be going towards these crucial projects, so thank you in advance.

Our PTA Facebook page has all of the key information about upcoming events and how you can get involved. Follow this link: [PTA Facebook](#)



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Forest School

We are looking for volunteers who would like to join us for Forest School on a Wednesday and/or Thursday afternoon. We need someone who is able to commit on a regular basis from 1:15 to 3:20 on one of these afternoons. This would enable our Forest School teacher, Mrs Bridgen, to broaden the range of activities the children are able to engage in. Please see the attached flyer for further info and contact the school office if you, or someone you know, would be interested.

Diary Dates

Date	Occasion	Location	Who?
December 2019			
Tues 10 th 9:30am	Nativity	School Hall	Reception and 1/2 Parents
Weds 11 th	Christmas Afternoon (to include Christmas Hamper Raffle)	School Hall and classrooms	Whole School
Fri 13 th	Christmas Jumper Day	Whole School	Everyone
Mon 16 th – 12:05pm	Reception and 1/2 Christmas Lunch	School Hall	Reception and 1/2
Tues 17 th – 12:05pm	Year 3/4 and 5/6 Christmas Lunch	School Hall	Year 3/4 and 5/6
Tues 17 th - 1:00pm	Reception and Year 1/2 trip to Norden Farm	Offsite	Reception and 1/2
Thurs 19 th – 12:45pm	School Carol Concert	School Hall	Everyone
Thurs 19 th – 1:30pm	Break up for Christmas	School	Everyone
January 2020			
Mon 6 th	INSET DAY	School	Staff
Tues 7 th	Children start back	School	Everyone
Weds 15 th	PTA Meeting	British Legion	Everyone
Sat 25 th	Burns Night Family Disco	Village Hall	Everyone
February 2020			
Fri 14 th	Break up for Half Term	School	Everyone
Mon 24 th	Children start back	School	Everyone
March 2020			
Fri 20 th	PTA Quiz	School Hall	Everyone
April 2020			
Thurs 2 nd	PTA Easter Egg Hunt	School	Children
Fri 3 rd - 1:30pm	Break up for Easter	School	Everyone
Mon 20 th	Children start back	School	Everyone



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