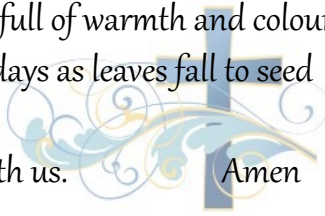




## The Prayer

Lord, thank you for walking with us  
 through the seasons of our lives.  
 For the winter, when we are held safe in  
 your arms through the darkness.  
 For the hope of spring, as we are filled with  
 new promise and life.  
 For summertime, full of warmth and colour  
 And for autumn days as leaves fall to seed  
 new growth.  
 You are always with us. Amen



## Message from the Headteacher

What a busy week it has been at school.

On Monday, Year 6 attended a 'Junior Citizen' event run by the Oxfordshire emergency services. The event puts the children in a series of 'scenarios' where they have to deal with an emergency situations. The children got an opportunity to practice making a 999 call as well as working together to deal with the situations. Staff leading the event were impressed by the children's knowledge and responses as well as their excellent behaviour.

In an exciting trip linked to their topic of WW2, Year 6 visited the 'We'll Meet Again' event at the Steam Museum in Swindon. The children experienced a taste of life during wartime, learning about evacuation, family life, the importance of the railways, what it was like in an air-raid shelter, and the roles of women in wartime. The class looked fantastic in their 1940s outfits and remembered to carry their gas mask boxes and identity cards!



On Thursday, Year 1 and the Key Stage 2 choir enjoyed visiting Willow Gardens to help celebrate their official opening. The Year Ones performed harvest poems and songs about creation. The choir entertained with harmonious renditions of 'Sing' by Gary Barlow and 'How Far I'll Go' from the Moana soundtrack. The residents were very welcoming and enjoyed the performances very much. We look forward to building on our new friendship with the Willow Gardens community in the future.

A leaflet explaining about the annual Teams 4U Christmas Box Appeal was put in the children's book bags this week. The date for collection of the boxes is Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November.

As the weather is getting colder, could I please ask that all children have an outdoor coat in school each day.

Finally, we would all like to wish Mrs Jones a very Happy BIG Birthday for today!

Wishing you a peaceful weekend.

## 'Well Done'

*to the following pupils who received special awards this week:*

**Reception – Vienna, Darcie, Noah**

**Year 1 – Remi, Jasper, Annabelle**

**Year 2 – Teddy, Arthur, Martha**

**Year 3 – Hugo, Attilio, Mei**

**Year 4 – Alfie, Leo, Karina**

**Year 5 – Amelie, Frankie, Cayzer**

**Year 6 – Sienna, Rory, Maddie**

## Year 6

### Choosing a Secondary School

A reminder for all Year 6 pupils/parents that your request for a Secondary School needs to be made to the County by Monday 31st October 2022.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for Autumn Term	
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Stronger Together Music Festival – Year 6
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	U11 Hockey Tournament
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	INSET
Half Term	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	INSET
	<b>Deadline for Secondary Applications for September 2023 (NEW)</b>
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	All Saint's Mass
	Year 6 Swimming Begins
	<b>Applications Open for Reception Places for September 2023 (NEW)</b>
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Whole School Flu Vaccination
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Nativity 2pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 Street Dance Workshop
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Final Day for Shoebox Appeal (NEW)</b>
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Year 3 Christingle Assembly (NEW) – Parents Welcome</b>
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas Carol Concert 1.45pm Dress Rehearsal to the school & 6pm for Families
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity 2pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Christmas Dinner Day – Bring a Cracker (NEW)</b>
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	End of Term Mass
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	School closes for Christmas at 12.05pm