



NEWSLETTER NO.6 SPRING TERM – 09 FEB 2024

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WOWS for Foundation Stage		NURSERY: Elowen, Grace, Rafferty, Alexandra, Darcey and Henry RECEPTION: Billy, Dexter and Isobel
RECEPTION	Edward	LOVE & LEARN: For excellent work in Maths and for always being cheerful!
YEAR 1	Annabel	LOVE & GROW: For being a kind and helpful friend and for always persevering.
YEAR 2	Órlaith	LEARN & GROW: For entertaining us all with her wonderful poem in our "Pause for Poetry".
YEAR 3	Penelope	LEARN: For her excellent contributions to lessons!
YEAR 4	Rose	LOVE: For always being so kind, helpful and thoughtful.
YEAR 5	Genevieve	LEARN: For some fantastic co-ordinates work in Maths.
YEAR 6	Pip	LOVE: For being so kind, helpful and considerate to adults and children alike



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PE	Charlie (Y1)	For excellent skipping and focus.
MUSIC	Penelope (Y3)	For being a reliable, conscientious, and respectful member of the music classroom.

Sports Fixtures

U11/10 Girls Netball v Claremont (Home)

Wednesday, 7th February 2024

U11 TEAM: Lily, Eloise (C), Orla, Coco, Mae and Willow

RESULTS: Lost 0-8 and 0-3

PLAYER OF THE MATCH: Mae and Eloise



U10 BLUE TEAM: Lexi, Felicity, Octavia, Bea, Iris, Elsie and Imogen

RESULTS:

PLAYER OF THE MATCH: Lexi

U10 RED TEAM: Genevieve, Lara, Harriet, Ariana, Leonor, Poppy and Emily

RESULTS:

PLAYER OF THE MATCH: Ariana

Unfortunately the following Sports Fixtures did not go ahead as planned due to bad weather.

Wednesday, 7th February 2024

U11/10 Boys Tag Rugby v Wadhurst (Away)

Thursday, 8th February 2024

U9/8 Boys Tag Rugby v Wadhurst (Home)

U9/8 Girls Netball v Beechwood (Away)

DIARY DATES

HALF TERM HOLIDAY 12TH – 16TH FEBRUARY

WEEK 7

Mon 19 th February	Whole School Liturgy	09:00
Tue 20 th February	Lenten Mass led by Year 5	09:00-09:30
Wed 21 st February	Y4 Swimming @ Mayfield	08:45-10:00
	U11/10 Girls Netball v Beechwood (Home)	14:00-15:45
	U11/10 Boys Tag Rugby v Wadhurst (Away)	13:45-16:15
Thu 22 nd February	U9/8 Boys Tag Rugby v Beechwood (Away)	13:45-16:15
Fri 23 rd February	Awards Assembly	09:00
	U11 Bee Netball Tournament @ Mayfield	12:00-15:30

WEEK 8

Mon 26 th February	Whole School Liturgy	09:00
Tue 27 th February	Shakespeare Workshop Year 5 & Year 6	
Wed 28 th February	Y4 Swimming @ Mayfield	08:45-10:00
	U11/10 Girls Football v Beechwood (Away)	13:45-16:15
	Year 3 & Year 4 School Play	
Thu 29 th February	Year 3 & Year 4 School Play	
Fri 1 st March	Awards Assembly	09:00-09:30
	Parent & Toddler Session in Nursery	09:00-10:15
	U11 BAS Cup Football & Netball Tournament @ Battle Abbey	13:00-15:00

WEEK 9

Mon 4 th March	Whole School Liturgy	09:00
Wed 6 th March	Year 4 Swimming @ Mayfield	08:45-10:00
	Parent Consultations	16:00-18:00
Thu 7 th March	Mother's Day Assembly	09:00-10:00
	U9/8 Boys Tag Rugby v Hilden Oaks (Home)	14:00-15:45
	U9/8 Girls Football v St Ronan's (Away)	13:45-16:15
	Parent Consultations	17:30-19:30
Fri 8 th March	Awards Assembly	09:00-09:30
	Reconciliation Service – Church – Years 2-6	14:15

WEEK 10

Mon 11 th March	Whole School Liturgy	09:00
Wed 13 th March	Y4 Swimming @ Mayfield	08:45-10:00
	U11/10 Girls Football v Claremont (Away)	13:45-16:15
	U11/10 Boys Tag Rugby v Beechwood (Home)	14:00-15:45
Thu 14 th March	U9/8 Boys Tag Rugby v Beechwood (Home)	14:00-15:45
	U9/8 Girls Football v Beechwood (Away)	13:45-16:15
Fri 15 th March	Awards Assembly	09:00-09:30
	Parent & Toddler Session in Nursery	09:00-10:15
	PTA Film Night	
	World Book Day	

WEEK 11		
Mon 18 th March	Whole School Liturgy	09:00
Wed 20 th March	Y4 Swimming @ Mayfield	08:45-10:00
	Open Classrooms: Foundation Stage and KS1	08:30-08:45
Thu 21 st March	Open Classrooms: Year 3 and Year 4	08:30-08:45
	U9/8 Girls Football v Beechwood (Away)	13:45-16:15
Fri 22 nd March	Open Classrooms: Year 5 and Year 6	08:30-08:45
	Awards Assembly	09:00-09:30
	U9/8 BAS Cup Football & Netball Tournament @ Battle Abbey	13:00-15:00
	PTA Easter Egg Decorating	16:00-19:00
WEEK 12		
Mon 25 th March	Whole School Liturgy	09:00
Wed 27 th March	PTA Easter Egg Hunt	
Thu 28 th March	Maundy Thursday Liturgy Led by Year 2	09:00-09:30
	Stations of the Cross Led by Year 5 @ Sacred Heart Church	11:00-12:00
	End of Term – FS, KS1 (including KS2 siblings)	12:00
	End of Term – KS2	12:15
EASTER HOLIDAY 29 TH MARCH – 19 TH APRIL (BACK TO SCHOOL 22 ND APRIL)		

PTA EVENTS

School Disco	Friday 14 th June	Time tbc
School Summer Fair	Friday 28 th June	Time tbc



Y6 CAKE SALE

Year 6 held a cake sale on Friday, 2nd February and raised £105. The children in Year 6 have decided to donate the money raised to Cancer Research UK in memory of Antonia Beary (our former Chair of Governors who died recently) and because we are thinking about the King.



COLLECTION FOR DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN IN ZAMBIA

Mrs Cardozo wanted to thank everyone for their very generous donations towards this very worthy cause.



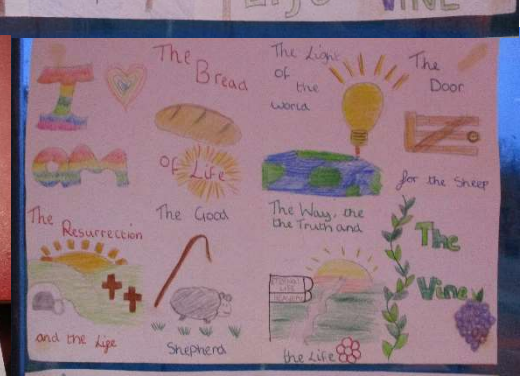
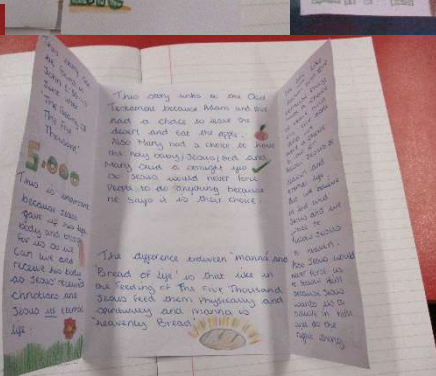
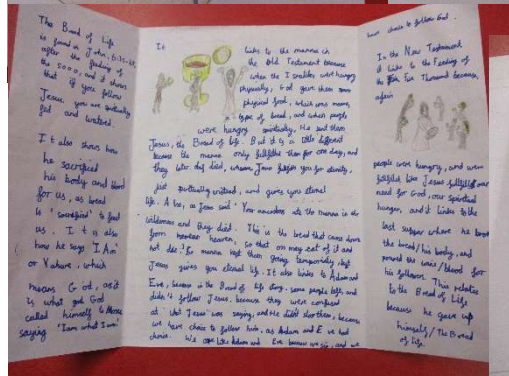
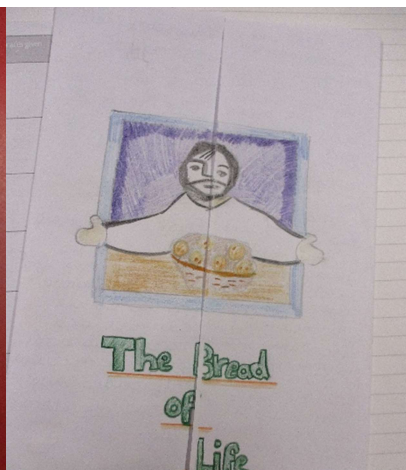
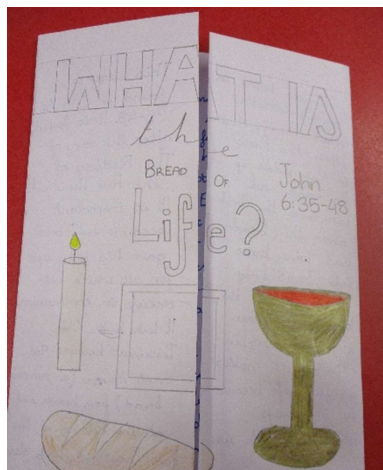
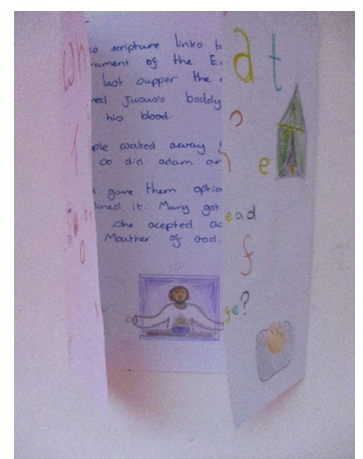
PARENT REMINDERS

LATE DROP OFF AND EARLY PICK UP

If you are dropping your child off late for any reason, you must come into the School Office with your child and sign them in as late. Please do not drop at the gate and allow your child to walk into school by themselves. Also, if you are collecting your child early for any reason, please come to the School Office and sign your child out and Victoria will collect your child from their classroom. Thank you.

YEAR 6

In RE lessons this term, the children have learnt about the seven 'I am' statements made by Jesus in St. John's gospel. They have thought most carefully about what Jesus meant when he referred to himself as 'The Bread of Life' and then they made beautiful leaflets to present their understanding. After this, they learnt about the seven sacraments of the Catholic Church. They worked together to discuss their learning.



ONLINE SAFETY DAY – TUESDAY, 6TH FEBRUARY 2024

Tuesday 6th February was National Online Safety Day and the theme this year was "**Inspiring Change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online**". The children enjoyed a whole day of activities about the safe use of the internet and how they should be aware of becoming too dependent on the internet for all their entertainment. The day started with a whole school performance of "The Wind in the Willows," which showed the children how Toad had become obsessed with using the internet for games and messaging, at the expense of seeing his real friends. He posted boasting comments about his brand new car and how he would be going to a Gaming Conference, which allowed thieves to target him and steal his car. He was at home alone most of the time, messaging people he had never met, but then took a photo of a friend and posted it without their consent. He was finally arrested for using his gaming device whilst driving, and then had to complete an online safety course, which helped him to see how his internet use had taken up far too much of his time, and driven away his friends. He apologised to his real friends, Ratty and Badger, and they all lived happily ever after along the riverbank.

All the children really enjoyed the play, which was very interactive and great fun! Classes then had individual workshops with the actors from the performance. Here they played games and acted out scenarios to focus on the theme of talking about problems that may arise from internet use, and also to remember the SMART principles for safe use of the internet:-

S - Safe - Keep your personal information safe

M - Meet - you should not meet up with anyone you have only ever met online

A - Accepting - accepting files and opening messages from people you do not know can cause problems

R - Reliability - check the reliability of information you find out on the internet.

T - Tell - tell a trusted adult if anything on the internet makes you feel uncomfortable.

There was also a Key Stage 2 Assembly exploring new developments such as AI and Deep Fake Imagery and the impact these will have on our lives in the future.

It was a really fun and interactive day with children taking part in lots of exciting activities to reinforce the important message of internet safety and usage, as well as new and exciting changes in technology which will affect all our lives.



Key policies are available via the school website or on request from the school.



CHILDRENS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK – 5TH – 11TH FEBRUARY 2024

For Childrens Mental Health Awareness Week this year, the children have attended special assemblies.

My Voice Matters is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves.

When we feel empowered, there's a positive impact on our wellbeing. Children who feel that their voices are heard and can make a difference have a greater sense of community and self-esteem. This year, children have learnt that children of all ages, backgrounds and abilities should be empowered to work together to create a positive change for their mental health and wellbeing.

At the end of the assemblies, the children enjoyed exercising together.



NSPCC NUMBER DAY – FRIDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY 2024

The whole school enjoyed celebrating NSPCC Number Day with a great variety of fun Maths activities. All classes participated in the flower challenge, creating amazing number flowers, clearly showing the progression in Maths skills right from Nursery through to Year 6. Thank you to all class teachers for preparing such wonderful activities. A big thank you to everyone for the creative number accessories and for your generous donations!



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When we return after half term, we will be in the season of Lent. As you will be aware, Lent is a period of reflection and growth, a time for new beginnings and an opportunity to become closer to God before Easter as we reflect on what Jesus did for us. It is a time to get our hearts ready to really appreciate Jesus' death for us before we can fully celebrate his resurrection. Traditionally, during Lent, Christians fast, give alms and pray. At school we have decided to see Lent as an opportunity to do more of something positive rather than giving something up. It is the perfect time for us to be putting Catholic Social Teaching into action by reflecting on Human Dignity and the helping those who are less fortunate than ourselves. Therefore, each class will be marking the season of Lent in a special way:

Nursery and Reception will be doing the Big Lent Walk for CAFOD.

Year 1 will be making a selection of Lenten crosses and sending Easter cards to the residents of a local care home.

Year 2 will be raising money for CAFOD by carrying out helpful jobs at home.

Year 3 will be carrying out Acts of Kindness towards others.

Year 4 will be making and using Lenten Prayer Cubes.

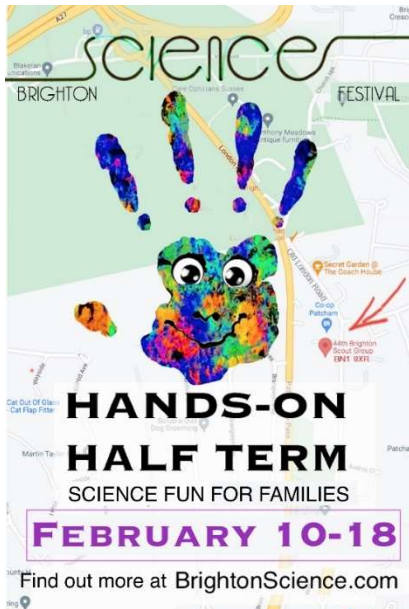
Year 5 will be using Lenten Action Cards.

Year 6 will be following a Lenten calendar of prayer and helping challenges and making a good deeds paper chain.

We are also encouraging each child in KS2 to bring in one item of food for the local food bank, Nourish.

We would really appreciate your support with our fundraising for CAFOD and we hope that you will see lots of acts of kindness and helpfulness at home just as I am sure we will see at school!





HANDS-ON HALF TERM, FEBRUARY 10-18 BRIGHTON SCIENCE FESTIVAL

Brighton Science Festival offers 9 days of science entertainment over half term. Go to [www.BrightonScience.com]BrightonScience.com for the full programme

<https://kent.muddystilettos.co.uk/things-to-do/for-kids/whats-on-february-half-term-kent-2024/>



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We've got the lowdown on everything local this Feb half term. Theatre, workshops, museums, days out and walking trails.
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Minecraft Education World for the chance to win a £250 sustainability grant for your school

The Conservation Quest at Windsor Great Park world contains **four immersive 'quests' and accompanying teacher-designed resources**, which bring national curriculum topics from science and geography to life, including:

- Food chains, webs and ecosystems
- Weather and climate
- The water cycle
- How organisms affect (and are affected by) their environment
- The use of natural resources
- How human and physical processes influence landscapes
- The production of carbon dioxide by humans, and impact on the climate.

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