

# January newsletter

# Happy New Year to you all!

#### **Ethos Team News**

This term, Ethos Team have been developing their skills as young leaders of Worship. With support from Alison Adlum at Manchester Diocese 'Children Changing Places' project, they have been taking part in 'Upbeat' sessions. So far they have focussed on the themes:

- What is worship?
- Why do we worship?
- Who do we worship?

Have a look below at just a few of their thoughtful and reflective responses!

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### Our Value this term is CREATIVITY

Genesis 1:31 God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.

Belief in God as creator is not just a belief about how everything began; it is the idea from which we are to view all life, including our own. It means that we must see life as a gift from God.

#### Ethos Team Challenge

What is 'creativity'? We recognise that life is a gift from God, the creator, but how are we creative beings too? God has given each of us special gifts and talents. What are your gifts and talents given from God?

#### **Eco-Warriors**

The Eco Warriors would like to remind everyone of the 3 R's. Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Reduce means to cut back on the amount of rubbish we generate. Reuse means to find new ways to use things that would have been thrown in the bin. Recycle means to turn something old and useless into something new and useful.



#### Royal visit

Three year 6 pupils were chosen to be a part of the Royal visit celebrations at Bolton Town Hall. They waved at the King and enjoyed making history with the other onlookers.



# Reception S

#### Wiggle Worship

We have started taking part in Wiggle Worship every fortnight and we loved our first session! The sessions are delivered by Steph from the Children Changing Places Project at Manchester Diocese. We met Wiggle the Worm, listened to a story, sang songs and joined together in prayer. Check back soon to find out what else we have been reflecting upon in our next Wiggle Worship session!





# Commando Joe

Hedgehog class have been taking part in Commando Joe sessions with Lewis on a Tuesday morning and they have been so engaged and involved! We have listened carefully and tried hard to follow instructions. We needed to try to use our developing skills of perseverance, resilience and team work in order to complete the challenges.







# Come Fly with me to Asia!

We continued our theme 'Come Fly With Me to Asia' as we move into Spring 1. Over the last week we have learnt about the culture in Pakistan and found out about the landscape of the country. We enjoyed tasting foods that many people in Pakistan may eat, such as roti, mango lassi and vegetable samosa! It has been very interesting to talk about our own traditions and cultures at home.

#### Nursery

To help Nursery celebrate the Chinese New Year we invited all our parents to come in school and celebrate with us. We learnt a little bit about how the Chinese New Year is celebrated and the children enjoyed watching dragon dances. Together the children and parents completed a variety of Chinese New Year crafts. They made chinese lanters, red money packets and painted chinese banners.





# <u>Y1S</u>

Year 1S have been thoroughly enjoying Commando Joe sessions. We have been using teamwork to complete a range of challenges.



# Year 2M

In Year 2M, we have been getting very creative! We have been learning about the 'Celebration of New Life', so we decided to draw and paint baby animals and baby portraits which have gone up on display in school.





<u>Sport</u>
Children from different year groups have enjoyed taking part in a range of inter-school sport festivals. These have included swimming, badminton, squash and netball. Well done to everyone who has represented school.

