



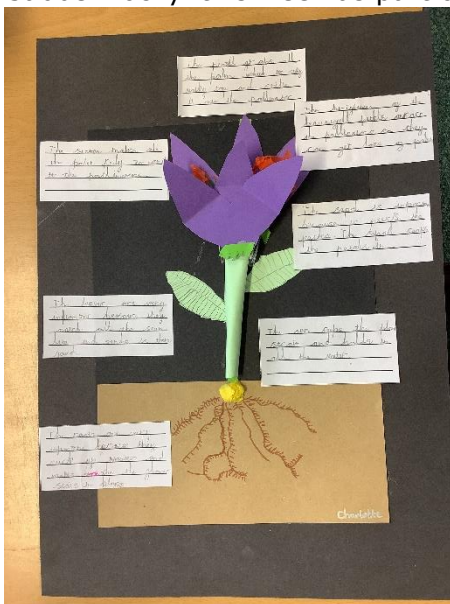
Dear Parents,

Reverend Chris visited school on Thursday to lead our Collective Worship about our value this term, Endurance. She talked about examples of famous people showing

endurance such as JK Rowling, the footballer, Lionel Messi, and of course, Jesus. She commented again, as she always does, about how beautifully the children sing in worship.

### Class Learning

The White Tigers class have been studying the poem 'Jabberwocky' this week as part of their work around



Lewis Carroll and the Alice in Wonderland story. They have enjoyed exploring the nonsense words and seeing if they can come up with their own ones.

Pandas class have created some colourful art work using different textures. They used a range of found materials (inside and out) to experiment with paint on fabric and create abstract

designs.

The Polar Bears Class have been reading another Julia Donaldson book (as this is their project) about the Smegs and the Smoos – two aliens who can't be friends. The reception children have worked really hard on their independent writing, making speech bubbles for the Smegs and Smoo aliens asking them to visit the UK.

Leopards class have dissected a flower and looked at the individual parts, they have then made a paper version and labelled each piece, this beautiful example is by Charlotte.

### Dates

#### MARCH

- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Parents' Evening (in person)
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Parents' Evening (via Zoom)
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 and 6, Tennis
- 29<sup>th</sup> – Pandas Class Parents' Evening (in person)
- 30<sup>th</sup> – Primary Maths Challenge\*
- 31<sup>st</sup> – Easter Service at St Helen's 9:15am; Pandas Class Parents' Evening (via Zoom)

#### APRIL

- 1<sup>st</sup> – INSET Day
- 4<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> – Easter Break
- 20<sup>th</sup> – Back to school
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Young Voices Concert
- 28<sup>th</sup> – Ravenstor Meeting 6pm

#### MAY

- 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> – Y6 SATs tests
- 18<sup>th</sup> – Free Online Safety Event for parents (book via Eventbrite, details on 14/03/22 newsletter)
- 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> – Year 5/6 Residential

#### JULY

- 22<sup>nd</sup> – End of Term

\*small number of children participating – separate communication to be sent out via Parentmail

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### **Ravenstor Meeting**

For parents of children on the Ravenstor residential taking place in May, there will be a short meeting on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm via Zoom to ask any questions. We will attempt to record this for any parents who can't be there, it will contain detailed information in preparation for their trip. Thank you.

### **Parents' Evening**

Just to confirm, Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> is the 'in person' parents' evening. All books will be available for parents to have a look at (even if your appointment is scheduled for Thursday), straight after school. Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March appointments are all via Zoom, codes will be sent out in due course. Mrs Simeoli is back in school this week so appointments will be as arranged. Mrs Botham is currently unwell and is not able to complete her appointments this week, as per Parentmail sent out today. All appointments will be moved to the following week at the same times. To be clear, appointments made for Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March (in person) will transfer to Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March (in person); appointments made for Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March (via Zoom) will now be for Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March (via Zoom). Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause, if the re-scheduled date is not convenient, please email enquiries and we will re-arrange accordingly for you. Thank you.

### **Covid**

We have had a sprinkling of Covid cases in school over the last couple of weeks amongst staff and children. If in doubt, please get your child to take a test. We will not penalise any absence for siblings/children of covid positive cases as we know that many of you are cautious about sending children in where there is covid in the house and we really appreciate this.

**We will continue to send home any child with symptoms and in line with our current risk assessment, we are still encouraging ten days isolation following a covid test which can be reduced following 2 negative lateral flow tests 24 hours apart (after 5 full days). We continue to follow this guidance for staff and pupils in order to prevent an outbreak. School does have the right to refuse admission to any child who we feel poses a risk of spreading infection to others. It is a risk to have a child on site who has not completed 10 full days of isolation or 5 full days and 2 negative tests. This is particularly serious where there is a cluster of cases.**

**There have been seven cases in White Tigers over the last two weeks, including both members of staff. Ultimately, if cases rise over the threshold advised by the Local Health Protection Team, school can close the class which presents even further difficulties for all of us. We continue to enforce the guidance above for the safety of all staff and pupils and will continue to do so.**



## Playground Improvements

The children are so excited with the markings on the Key Stage 2 playground that have been completed this week – we have times table ladders, a world map, our Christian Values, a hopscotch rocket and a netball and basketball court. They have all been well used already!



## Book Sale

Thank you so much to the PTA who organised the Book Sale last Friday outside school. They did a brilliant job organising the huge amount of books – thanks everyone. They sold lots of books and had so many left over that they decided to give the children some to bring home as a gift.

## E-Safety

A reminder again about the free Question and Answer session for e-safety issues being offered by the brilliant Dan Holbrook from the Lincolnshire Stay Safe Partnership. He is so knowledgeable about all matters relating to apps and websites that us adults find hard to keep up with! This is a free online session open to all parents and carers on 18<sup>th</sup> May from 6.30 to 7.30pm. I would highly recommend this to all of you as a very worthwhile evening. Please use the link below to book this:

[A Date with Dan Tickets, Wed 18 May 2022 at 18:30 | Eventbrite](#)

## Active Travel Link Reminder:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=4I\\_ewOP1L06Lz\\_HFSzji0fKIOtWtvhGse87nNu9SDBUOVhNOU4ySVpDSzBZUEVONVhPRIMyS1BUMi4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=4I_ewOP1L06Lz_HFSzji0fKIOtWtvhGse87nNu9SDBUOVhNOU4ySVpDSzBZUEVONVhPRIMyS1BUMi4u)

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### **Values Points and Celebration Worship**

The following children have received their 50 Values points certificate and added their photograph to the Values Board in the hall: Ray, Zachary, Elsie, Lottie F, Chloe and Charlie W

25 Values Points for Skye– really well done, as Skye only joined us after Christmas!

Ebony and Sophie have also received their 75 Values Points certificate – very well done!

This week I gave two special Star Awards to William M and Esme for their exceptional contributions during Collective Worship – they always have their hands up with thoughtful ideas and impress the whole staff and also Reverend Chris this week.

White Tigers Awards will go out next week now Mrs Simeoli is back in school.

Miss Maclachlan gave a Values Award to Lewis because he is such a kind and helpful friend – he always helps others to do the right thing but does this in a very kind and gentle way which is really appreciated by his friends and teachers. Mrs Curtis also gave a special Star Award to Lottie B as she has been exceptional when helping one of the Polar Bears at lunchtimes and in Collective Worship over several months. Well done to all of you!

Just an update for anyone who didn't know this: teachers will sometimes write a word or two on the back of the younger children's certificates, particularly the Polar Bears, so that parents know what the award is for (although I always include it in the newsletter too and via email), we expect that the older children can remember this themselves so teachers will not record this on the back of their certificates.

**For the foreseeable future, we will continue with keeping Friday Celebration Worship just for pupils and teaching staff to try and avoid any potential outbreaks of Covid. I will keep this situation under review over the next few weeks.**