



Dear Parents,

As the end of term fast approaches, it has been lovely to have some sunny weather so that the children can make the most of our school grounds at playtimes and lunchtimes.

### **Easter Service**

A reminder that parents and carers are welcome to join us for the Easter Service at St Helen's Church on Thursday morning at 9:15am. This will be a short service as Reverend Chris is on a tight timetable that morning but a lovely opportunity for you to share in our Collective Worship.

### **Class Learning**

White Tigers class have been busy working on their Powerpoints about Rocks and Soils as they conclude their science work about this topic – they have really enjoyed this and are experts on how rocks are formed!

The Pandas class have been working on the poem, The Highwayman and writing newspaper reports based on the poem.

The Polar Bears class have been learning actions to a poem by Julia Donaldson and shared these in Celebration Worship this week.

The Leopards class have been busy painting their clay pots.

As we are at the last full week of term for the children, we spent some time on Friday in Celebration Worship, discussing all the learning from our projects over the term.

The White Tigers class shared some of the thoughtful answers to their question, 'What is the Value of a Story' and talked about how stories can teach us about the past, or about ways we can behave. They also talked about the range of stories they have read and enjoyed. The Pandas were able to decide that punishments did not always fit the crimes, as learnt in their project this term. They were able to recall some of the historical learning they have completed and conclude that punishments were often very harsh in the past. The Polar Bears question was about how Julia Donaldson has taught them about different locations and habitats around the UK through stories. The Leopards class have been considering, 'What makes the world flourish' and were able to think about what plants, animals and humans need to truly flourish and shared their scientific knowledge as part of this learning.

### **Dates**

#### **MARCH**

**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  
**21<sup>st</sup>** – Athletics Club starts  
**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



### **Ukraine Appeal**

The Pupil Council met on Friday to consider different ideas for supporting the appeal for Ukrainian refugees. They had some really thoughtful ideas and have decided that we would like to dress up in either yellow or blue on Thursday so that we can lie on the field and create an image of us all as part of the Ukrainian flag. We are also collecting as many coins as we can to cover all of the Christian Values lettering that is currently on the KS2 playground, and hopefully to cover the world map too. The Pupil Council are going to collect any spare change from any adults who join us at the Easter Service on Thursday to add to our collection.

They would also like Mr Price to help them organise a charity football match on Thursday – mixed age teams, 50p to enter. It is lovely to share in their enthusiasm and I am sure you will all be keen to support this worthwhile cause too.

### **Staffing**

In the summer term, Mrs Simeoli will be reducing her teaching days and will not be in school on Fridays – the White Tigers class will be taught by Mrs Miller who covered for Mrs Simeoli when she was unwell last week and also for Miss Maclachlan a couple of weeks ago. The children responded to her really well and we know she will be a valuable member of our team and already feels like she is part of our school. I will continue to teach White Tigers class on Thursday afternoons, and Mrs Simeoli for the rest of the week.

Mr Thaxter finished his student placement with Pandas class last week and we wish him well as he continues his journey in other schools.

### **Cooking Club – KS2**

We have expressed an interest with the Good Lookin' Cookin' Club Team regarding continuing with our Cooking Club during the summer term and are waiting to see if they are able to staff this from their perspective as their current Cooking Club lead is moving to pastures new.

From our viewpoint, this club would continue to be run by Mrs Jackson for a maximum of 8 children but would change to a Tuesday after school as opposed to a Thursday.

Initially, priority would be given to those children who have not yet had a chance to take part. We will be in touch with more information as soon as we receive clarity from Good Lookin' Cookin'.

### **Active Travel Link Reminder:**

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=4I\\_ewOP1L06Lz\\_HFSzjyi0fKIOtWtvhGse87nNu9SDBUOVhNOU4ySVpDSzBZUEVONVhPRIMyS1BUMi4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=4I_ewOP1L06Lz_HFSzjyi0fKIOtWtvhGse87nNu9SDBUOVhNOU4ySVpDSzBZUEVONVhPRIMyS1BUMi4u)

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WEEK BEGINNING: 28TH MARCH 2022



### **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: Ava J, Ella-Rose, Isaac S, James B Jack and Charlie P have achieved their 25 Values points this week too, well done to both of you. Sophia has also received her 75 Values Points certificate – very well done!

As Mrs Simeoli was not in school last week, White Tigers class were given their Values Awards on Friday. The awards went to: Jesse for continued improvement with his handwriting and showing a really positive attitude to his learning; to Jack for trying really hard with his Alice in Wonderland artwork; Skye for settling really well into our school family and for trying really hard in all aspects of her learning; and to Lyla for trying so hard in her reading and in her work with Mrs Harrison. Well done all of you.

**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.**

### **Sports Report**

We went to Carres High School on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March to take part in a Basketball event. We both went with Hermione and Ava J. We won every game we played and really enjoyed it. We need to work on making sure we pass to everyone in the team and on shooting. After the game, we all felt so good and thought we showed good endurance.

Thank you to Mrs Jackson for taking us and to everyone else for getting involved.

By Harry and Sol