

28th January 2022

Dear Families,

It has been another great week of learning for our children this week. I have had the pleasure of teaching and dropping into many of our classes this week including Year 5 who were so impressive with their knowledge of how to multiply whole numbers by decimals.

Year 6 Gymnastics festival

Over the last few years, we have worked closely with the PE department at Spires College. As part of this wonderful partnership, we have been fortunate enough to attend many sports events and festivals run at Spires, which have included children from other local primary schools. This year, as we were unable to visit Spires College, the Year 6 gymnastics festival was held virtually. Miss Worden from Spires beamed into our school hall to run a fantastic event where the children were challenged to create and hold gymnastics poses and movements. The children loved the experience, and it was fantastic to see so many children from all the other Year 6 classes across our Trust all taking part together. It gave the event a real sense of community.



Music with Mr Blurton



What a treat Year 3 had this week! Our piano teacher, Mr Blurton came in to teach them how to play the glockenspiels. I managed to catch a few minutes of the lesson and the children had managed to learn how to play quite a few notes. It sounded amazing. I know lots of parents mentioned how much they had enjoyed the session and Mr Blurton will be coming in again next week as part of our music curriculum.



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Collective Worship

One of the highlights of my week is Collective Worship on Mondays. This week we looked at the value of Community and how Jesus created a community of disciples. We then looked at many different communities and the children thought about the importance of everyone looking out for each other and the importance of sharing and belonging. Our Trust Lead Miss Cleverly joined us for our KS2 Worship this week and was very impressed with how the children all took part despite the Worship being virtual.



Recycling

Our plastic recycling scheme is going very well! Thank you to everyone who dropped some plastic off so far. Please remember we can collect anything with the 5/pp recycling logo on it, including milk bottle tops, ice cream containers and take away containers. All items should be placed in the blue recycling behind our lost property box.

NSPCC Number Day:

Next Friday, 4th February is the NSPCC Number Day. We will be having a day celebrating all things maths and children are invited to come to school wearing something associated with maths or numbers. Donations to the NSPCC should be made via our online payment system at www.eduspot.co.uk

Covid update

As you are aware, there has been new guidance from the Government regarding Covid measures. At present, we will continue with the enhanced measures that have been put in place as per our risk assessment and would encourage you to continue using the one-way system and wear a face mask when dropping off and collecting your children. I would also like to thank you for all your support once again. It has been difficult over the last few weeks and there may have been different people teaching and supporting your children and your continued support has been invaluable to us.

Have a lovely, healthy weekend.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'K. Southard'.

Mrs K Southard
Head of Academy