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NEWSLETTER

Our Value for September is Courage

The following pupils have received Merit Badges:

Class 1 Alice - For trying really hard with all her work.

Class 2 Eleni - For working so hard on things she might have previously found tricky. Very proud of you.

Class 3 Tessa - For some fantastic addition in maths this week.

Class 4 Sam - For excellent attitude to all lessons and trying to improve the standard of his work.



PTA Meeting—Wednesday 19 October 2016 at 3.15pm

This meeting is to discuss the preparations for the Halloween Disco which is on Monday 31 October 4pm—5.30pm. See you there.

PTA Children's Bingo - Friday 14 October 2016 4-5.30pm

On Friday 14 October the PTA are holding a Children's Bingo for you all to come along to. Eyes down at 4pm. Accompanied children £3 per child, includes pizza and game strip. Additional strips £1. Please bring your own pens.



Class 4 Autumn 2016

Class 4 have an exciting and busy term ahead of them! Our work will be based on the book 'Kensuke's Kingdom' written by Michael Morpurgo - 'A magnificent contemporary odyssey: a beautifully written account of a boy's voyage of discovery.'

English - In English we shall be exploring the story 'Kensuke's Kingdom' which provides many varied writing opportunities namely recount, explanation, newspaper report and discussion. We will be using the 'Talk for Writing' approach (T4W) to develop our skills as writers. We will also continue to read a range of challenging and fun texts in our Reading Factory sessions.

Mathematics - Throughout this term we will continue to develop the children's numeracy skills through regular practise of basic skills, focused sessions on developing new skills and a range of problem solving activities. We will link with Geography learning and investigate coordinates, area and perimeter and conversion scales.

Science - In Science our main topic will be based on Space. We will be exploring theories relating to the shape of the earth and planets and evidence to support those theories. We will also look at the movement of the planets in our solar system and think about how this creates day and night. Linking with art, we will create our own Solar system and posters for our own planet mnemonics

Geography - As part of our topic the children will be studying Mountains - their formation, characteristics, uses and famous mountains of the world. Our trip to the Malvern Hills will provide the opportunity to use skills revised in the classroom such as map reading, direction, grid references, scale, contours etc.

History - Later in the term the children will be finding out about issues linked to Kensuke's past including the bombing of Nagasaki and Hiroshima. We will be reading a survivors account 'My Hiroshima' and discussing what we can learn from events in the past.

Computing - The children will be using the internet to research the life of Michael Morpurgo and will create a fact file using presentation programs. They will also be creating their own podcasts linked to the story for example, a missing person broadcast.



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Art and Design - In Art we will be focusing on the Japanese artist Hokusai. In particular we will look at the Breaking Wave Off Kanagawa also called The Great Wave, a woodblock print. The children will practise a range of artistic techniques. In DT they will design and make their own Kimonos learning different sewing techniques.

Religious Education - During this half term we will be discussing a variety of religious beliefs and how different faiths believe you achieve peace and mindfulness.

PSHE - Using our democracy values we will be debating a variety of issues that arise from island life as well as current issues.

How you can help - Practising rapid recall of multiplication tables facts and related division will support children in their problem solving maths work in school – your child will know which tables he/she is working on. Listen to them read and ensure they are learning their weekly spellings. Many thanks.



Harvest Festival - Tuesday 11 October at 2.30pm

You are all invited to our Harvest Festival on Tuesday 11 October in the school hall at 2.30pm. We are also asking for donations for the Hereford Food Bank which is a charitable organisation which was started in February 2013 by the social responsibility office of the Bishop's Palace. Every week Emergency Food Parcels are supplied to individuals and families who are in serious and sudden hardship and there is a continued need this year. The food bank always need tins of meat (stews, casseroles, ham), tinned vegetables, baked beans, tins of fruit, rice pudding, packets of dried milk and sugar, coffee, toothpaste, soap, shampoo and loo rolls.

London & Oakerwood Residential Trips 2017

Please return your slip and payment to the school office to secure your child's place as soon as possible, as numbers are limited.

School Photographs

Please return your photograph orders by Friday 14 October 2016. Thank you.



Christmas Pantomime

Please return your payment by Monday 17 October, as we have an agreement with The Courtyard for a reduced price for tickets and ice-cream if the balance is paid before half term. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 11 October	Harvest Celebration at 2.30pm in the school hall
Wednesday 12 October	Joe's Assembly
Friday 14 October	Open The Book Assembly
	PTA Children's Bingo 4pm—5.30pm
Friday 21 October	Haven Pink Day, Wear What You Like, Donate £1
Monday 24 October	Half Term
Monday 31 October	Back to School
	Halloween Disco 4-5.30pm
Wednesday 2 November	Joe's Assembly
Wednesday 16 November	Joe's Assembly
Wednesday 13 November	Joe's Assembly
Friday 18 November	Children in Need
Tuesday 6 December	Pantomime at The Courtyard
Friday 9 December	Christmas Fayre 3.30pm—5pm
Monday 12 December	Christmas Performance at Canon Pyon Church at 6pm
Friday 16 December	Christmas Jumper Day, Wear What You Like Day
	End of Autumn Term, 1.30pm
Tuesday 3 January	Spring Term Commences
Monday 13 February	Half Term
Monday 20 February	Back to School
Friday 7 April	End of Spring Term, 1.30pm
Monday 24 April	Summer Term Commences
Wednesday 10 May	Road Safety Talk, Years 5 & 6
Monday 29 May	Half Term
Monday 5 June	Back to School
Friday 21 July	End of Summer Term, 1.30pm



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