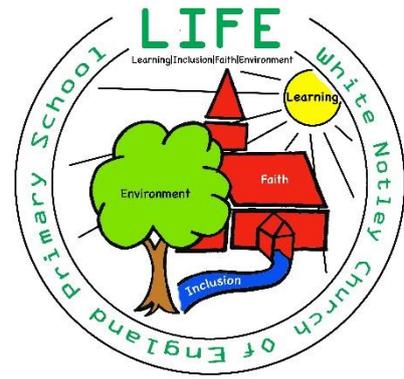


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Our school vision is: LIFE in all its fullness - now and in the future.
John 10.10 Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full".

9th February 2024

Dear Parents,

Our girls' football team had their first match of the season last Friday against Lyons Hall. Mrs Thomas was very proud of the team, who have been training hard and made good progress from their inaugural season last year. They are working well as a team and developing their skills. Great goals were scored by Molly and Nancy. The final score was 3-2 to Lyons Hall.



Children's Mental Health Week

The children have enjoyed taking part in Children's Mental Health Week. The week started off with Collective Worship with Mrs Lee. The children talked about what mental health is and some ways in which to keep our minds healthy. This year's theme is *Making our Voice Heard*. We discussed what children have expressed in our school and how things have changed since.

The children said:

- Class Four didn't like having their coats in a tub, so we have bought coat racks and hangers for the children to hang their coats.
- Last year, Year 3 boys said they didn't have clubs that they were interested in, so we changed them in order to have ones they enjoyed.
- The Head Boys and Girls were involved in the teacher recruitment last year, interviewing the candidates. We meet with them afterwards and asked their opinion on who we should employ. They thought Mrs Monk and Mrs Lee would be the best teachers for Class 1, we agreed!
- The School Council chose the Salvation Army for their charity at Christmas time and they organised a non-uniform day, raising £120.
- After School Club asked for role play costumes -they now have a boxful and love dressing up!

- Class Four children asked to send money to Kagio Primary School instead of receiving a Christmas present from the Class Four staff. The Kenyan children received new shoes, uniform and soap as a result.

Internet Safety Day

On Tuesday, the children had fun learning about positive changes on the Internet as well as how to keep safe online. Children in Class 4 took part in a live lesson, learning all about Gen AI, what jobs you can do using it, what it can do now and possibilities for the future. Class 3 enjoyed their online lesson from BBC Bitesize as well.



Book Look and Parents' Evening

On Monday we will have our Book Look from 2:45pm-4pm where you can come into class to see your child's work. You should have received an email to log onto School Cloud and book your Parents' Evening slot. Please let us know if you haven't received it (check your junk folder first). If your child has an ECHP or One Plan, please don't book an appointment, as you will meet your child's teacher after half term. They will be in touch with you to arrange a time.

There will be NO gymnastics, mindfulness, netball or board games club next week.

Travelling Books Fair

The Travelling Book Fair has arrived at school and the books will be on sale after school today, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:15pm until 4pm. All books sold will generate commission for our school.

Payment would be preferred in cash or by gift vouchers that can be purchased on the travelling books website. There is a QR code to scan for payment but some phones will not have good connection in the school hall.

We look forward to seeing you at the Book Fair.

Congratulations to the children who received certificates in Celebration Collective Worship this week



Class One:

Buddy - for making great choices and for working super hard

Class Two:

Myah - for your excellent effort and thoughtful presentation in all your work this week

Amaya - for joining in class activities really well this week

George - for making an excellent effort with listening and thoughtful work

Class Three:

Frankie - for amazing effort and progress with spellings and for reading every day! Well done!

Owen - for always applying yourself fully to all areas of learning and for being a super supportive team member

Class Four:

Oliver B - for your excellent progress in reading, writing and maths. Keep up the awesome effort!

Evie - for always being a positive role model by putting in 100% effort into all you do. Bravo!

Molly - for scoring our first girls' football team goal this season! Well done!

Congratulations on your achievements



- Jack, for achieving Stage 5 in swimming
- Arthur, for achieving Stage 4 in swimming
- Thomas, for achieving Stage 2 in swimming

Tribe Points

This week's tribe points

- Meru - 141 points
- Kamba - 137 points
- Kikuyu - 99 points
- Embu - 86 points

Well done to tribe Meru! They enjoyed their prize of extra playtime.

Diary dates the week beginning 12th February:

- Monday 12th February: Multi-sports Club 3:15pm
Travelling Books Fair 3:15pm-4:00pm
Book Look 2:45pm-4:00pm
- Tuesday 13th February: Book Club 3:15pm
Parents' Evening for Classes 1, 2, 3
Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Making and Pancake Race
Travelling Books Fair 3:15pm-4:00pm
Astronomy Club 3:15pm
- Wednesday 14th February: Parents' Evening for Class 4
Mr Timms in for music lessons
Class 4 trip to NHS to see *Grease! The Musical*
8:45am
Ash Wednesday Service 2:30pm at St Etheldreda's
Travelling Books Fair 3:15pm-4:00pm
- Thursday 15th February: Parents' Evening for Classes 1, 2, 3, 4
Karate 3:15pm
- Friday 16th February: Tennis Club 8am
Tennis lessons
Football club 3:15pm
Netball Match at Notley Green 3:30pm Class 4
- 19th -23rd February: Half Term
- Monday 26th February: Return to school after Half Term

Have a wonderful half term,

P Fitzpatrick

Patsy Fitzpatrick
Head of School

