Tilstock

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WEEKLY 'HEAD'-LINES

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to a new term and a new year! We have all enjoyed a wonderful first week back to school. Children and staff have settled in really well into their new classrooms and are looking forward to the term ahead.

A big thank you to all who helped with various events in the last week of term. As a result, the children enjoyed presenting their whole school Christmas play and the beautiful Church Christingle service. It was a wonderful way to end a great term.

We are so pleased that in this new term, we will be able to ensure that every child in the school receives a Forest School session. This has been made possible due to the wonderful support we receive from our community, including the generous donations from The Whitchurch Rotary Club, the Whitchurch PCC and the continued hard work of staff. During Forest School sessions, children are encouraged to work collaboratively with others to carry out activities such as den/shelter building, role play, exploration, practical and creative skills and tasks. This enables children to develop social and communication skills as well as developing their Science and Geography knowledge in an engaging and purposeful context.

We are also looking forward to the start of KS2 swimming sessions, which begin next week.
Vital skills that we want to ensure every child has the opportunity to develop.

Mrs Rowena Kaminski
Head of School

REMINDERS & NOTICES

Uniform

With the start of the new term, please can all pupils be reminded of our uniform standards, viewable by clicking here. Thank you for your continued support.

Trust Newsletter

The Marches Academy Trust Winter Newsletter has been published. If you have not had a chance to read it yet, the Newsletter highlights the Cross-Trust activities that students participate in and is available to view by clicking here.

Mailing List Reminder

As we are now using a new data storage system, we will be emailing letters out to parents.

Therefore please can you email tilstockadmin@mmat.co.uk if you would like letters, newsletters and bulk information sent to you by email.

This will avoid hard copies getting lost in transit and reduce the amount of paper we use in school.

WORSHIP

PEACE

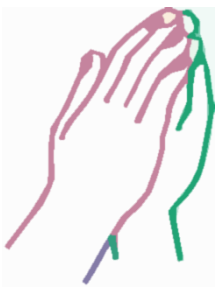
Romans 12:17-18 'Try to earn the respect of others and do your best to live at peace with everyone'.

Our Christian values provide an important framework for helping to define and validate the work of the school 'beyond the curriculum.' Each value is used as the theme for collective worship, the focus for classroom reflection and the subject matter for the main hall or quiet corner displays.

Our Value this term is 'Peace'. When talking, discussing and reflecting on the Christian value, Peace, the following key ideas and themes are explored with the children – Inner peace, Peace between each other, Peace in the community, Peace in the world and Peace with God

Our whole school worship this week focused on friendships and being at peace between each other in school. We explored a variety of themes including, making and keeping friends, sorting out arguments, making compromises, letting go of hostile feelings, building bridges, learning how to listen to each other. Some of this was discussed through role play, scenarios and listening to stories.

PRAYER



OUR SPECIAL PEACE PRAYER FOR THE TERM

Dear God,

We thank you for giving us your peace.
Help us to spread peace at home and at school by loving and caring for one another.
Help us to spread peace by listening to one another, even when we don't agree.
Help us to spread peace by sharing our time with those who are lonely and who need a friend.
Help us to spread peace by thinking and praying for children who have no food or who are frightened and live in fear.
Let us pray every day for peace for our families, for our friends and for ourselves.

Amen

CELEBRATION

Happy Birthday to:

Bonnie who celebrated her Birthday this week!

AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week's Award Winners, who are:

Darwin Class – Dolly and Charlie.

Owen Class – Alfie.

Talbot Class – Kaitlyn.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Click here to view our upcoming events. At a glance:

- Owen & Talbot Class swimming lessons to start Wednesday 15th January for 5 weeks.
- Forest School sessions throughout the school to start next week – week commencing 13th January.

Click here to view our term dates.

NEWS

Click here to view what our students have been up to recently.

A few highlights include:
- Art Club
- Christingle Service

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