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WELCOME MESSAGE

May has been a wonderful month in school, and it has been lovely to see the children making the most of the warmer weather in our outdoor areas. They have enjoyed exploring, investigating, and showing great curiosity in their learning and play.

We were also treated to a fantastic class worship from Year 2, who showed great passion for their topic and inspired us all to be the best we can be through learning about influential people from the past. The children looked wonderful and should be very proud of themselves.

It was also lovely to welcome our Nursery parents and grandparents to the children's first Sports Day. The children all did so well, and we were incredibly proud of the enthusiasm and enjoyment they showed throughout – especially with the final obstacle course!

We are now hoping that the weather will be kind to us so that we can hold the Reception to Year 6 Sports Day on Friday 12th June.

As we look towards the end of the summer term, we will also be saying goodbye to Mrs Sinclair, a highly valued member of our support staff team. Mrs Sinclair has worked with and supported many children throughout her time with us, particularly those in our current Year 3 class, who she has supported as they have moved through the school. She is such a caring person, and this has shown in the way she has supported all of the pupils she has worked with over the years. She will be greatly missed, and we are incredibly grateful for all she has given to our children and school community.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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Mrs Jo Bayliss
Headteacher

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UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE

- Mon 1st** – INSET DAY
- Fri 5th** – Year 1 Class Worship (Year 1 parents/carers invited)
- Fri 12th** – Sports Day (Rec – Year 6)
- Mon 15th** – Last week of school clubs
- Tues 16th** – Show off Day (Reception – Year 6)
- Sun 21st** – Reception Church contributions at St Peter's Church (10.15am)
- Tues 23rd** – Colorfoto Class Photos
- Wed 24th** – Nursery and Reception Inductions
- Fri 26th** – PTA Summer Fete





OUR VALUE

Our school value for this half term is Respect. This is an important value as it helps children build positive relationships and show care for others.

In school, respect looks like listening to others, using kind words, showing good manners, helping each other, and taking care of our school and environment. By focusing on respect, we hope to create a happy and caring school where everyone feels valued.



CHURCH VISITS

I A huge thank you to Year 5, who were amazing during their class contribution at St Peter's Church. The children did such a fantastic job delivering their learning about Christian Aid, and their thoughtful poems and prayers really showed their understanding of its importance. We are very proud of you all!

Thank you also to the parents who supported this event and ensured their children attended.

We now look forward to seeing Reception there on Sunday 21st June.



GLOBAL NEIGHBOUR

We are looking forward to our upcoming Community Neighbours Showcase at St Peter's Church on Sunday 8th June at 10:30am. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school and wider community and celebrate the strong links we share.

Children's work will be displayed, showcasing the fantastic learning, creativity, and exciting activities taking place across our school. We would be delighted if families could come along to support us and enjoy seeing the amazing work our children have been doing.

We hope to see many of you there!



This term we will be focussing in school on the value RESPECT.
We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together.

TALK TOGETHER about Respect

We are learning at school about the importance of treating others with **respect** even if we sometimes do not agree with the way they behave or the things they say. We have also been thinking about how we should treat the things that belong to us and to other people **respectfully**.

- Think of some practical ways that you show **respect** to each other in your family.
- Often we show **respect** to someone by the way we speak to them. What does this mean in practice?
- Do you treat one another's possessions with **respect**? What does this mean in practice?

THINK TOGETHER Words of Wisdom

"Respect - to get it you must give it"
Anon



READ TOGETHER...

Moses and the Burning Bush

Moses led the sheep across the dry and dusty desert to Sinai, God's holy mountain. But in the stillness of the wilderness, while the sheep were grazing, Moses' thoughts were never far from the plight of his people the Israelites, who were suffering at the hand of the cruel Egyptian king. Moses had left Egypt years ago. He felt guilty and wished he could help his people, but what could he do? He was not brave, he was not a **respected** leader. Who would listen to him?

And then in the distance Moses noticed something very strange. A desert bush was on fire. The flames licked hungrily around the branches and yet, strangely, the bush did not burn up. He drew closer and as he did so, he clearly heard a voice call to him from the bush, "Moses, Moses!" "Yes, here I am" stammered Moses. "Take off your shoes", said the voice, "for you are standing on holy ground." Reverently, Moses untied his sandals and fell to his knees. "I am the Lord God of your ancestors and I have seen how my people suffer under Pharaoh. I have heard them call out to me to rescue them and now Moses, I am sending you to lead them to freedom." "But I am nobody, I am nothing. How can I go to the king and expect him to **respect** a simple shepherd? How can I ask him to let the people go?" But God replied, "Do not be frightened, I will be with you." "But what if the people will not listen to me?" said Moses. "What do you have in your hand?" "A stick." Moses replied. "Throw it on the ground." Moses did as he was asked. To his astonishment the stick turned into a writhing, angry snake. "Now bend down and pick it up by the tail." Nervously, Moses did as he was asked. Immediately, the snake once more became a stick. "When you perform this miracle," said God, "the people will believe that I have sent you. Take the stick with you for with it you will perform great miracles. Now go and do as I have commanded."

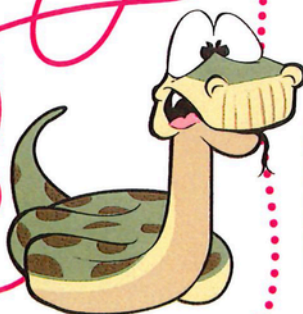
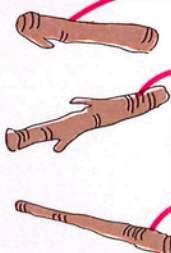
And so it was that on that ordinary day an extraordinary adventure began for Moses and for the people of Israel. It was a story that the world would never forget.

Bible story based on Exodus 3,4



QUIZ Tangled Strings

Which stick became the writhing snake?



Can you make a 'tangled string' puzzle?



CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS



A huge well done to a group of Year 6 children on their fantastic achievement! Their video entry, Timmy the Turbo Turtle, has been shortlisted in the top 4 in the Revive Our Oceans category. Congratulations – you are Climate Challenge Cymru finalists!

The children have worked incredibly hard and should be very proud of this amazing accomplishment. The final ceremony will be held at Techniquest in Cardiff and will bring together Eco-Schools, special guests, and environmental leaders to celebrate the creativity, innovation, and hard work shown by all finalists during this year's competition.

We are extremely proud of you and wish you the very best of luck!

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Unfortunately, we have seen a drop in attendance this month and would like to remind families of the importance of regular school attendance. Every day in school matters, and being in school helps children make the most of their learning opportunities and maintain positive routines and friendships.

Please ensure that children attend school regularly and, wherever possible, holidays are taken outside of term time. Thank you for your continued support.