

11<sup>th</sup> March 2022

## Year 2 Update

It was great to meet parents this week to discuss children's progress and reflect on how hard the children have been working this academic year. We hope you enjoyed spending time looking through your children's books – we have seen in school how proud they have been to show you.

### R.E

This week we have been learning a bit more about the first day of Lent – 'Ash Wednesday'. The ashes used on Ash Wednesday are from the palms burned from last year's Palm Sunday. The liturgical colour during Lent is purple which is a colour of penance, a time of reflection on wrongdoing and of the need to choose to do good. It is an opportune time to reflect on what it means to be a follower of Christ. The Children have been thinking about how they can use this time during Lent to think about how they live their lives and about how they can put others first.

Key vocabulary: Lent, Ash Wednesday, Repent, Liturgical Calendar

### English

The children have now completed their newspaper reports on The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. This has been a great opportunity for them to gain experience of non-fiction writing. On Friday we walked to the local post office to post them. We are sure the Queen will enjoy reading them just as much as we have.

We have also been thinking about adding suffixes to words. A suffix is a string of letters that comes at the end of a root word. E.g.

Happy + ness = happiness

care+ful=careful

enjoy+ment=enjoyment

Next week: We will be focusing on developing the children's comprehension skills. These will include retrieval questions, predictions, sequencing questions, inferencing questions and vocabulary questions.

### Maths

We have continued to work on multiplication and division this week, but with more of an emphasis on problem solving. The children have done very well identifying key words and information within a word problem which show them the operation they need to perform. They have even had a go at some 2-step problems.

Next week we will be starting work on fractions, beginning with fractions of a shape. It may be worth familiarising your child with the vocabulary: halves and quarters.

### Fairtrade Hamper

The Fair Trade raffle will be drawn at assemblies next week. As we have had such an amazing response, we will be adding one or two smaller prizes. Thanks to everyone and good luck.

## Five Ways to Wellbeing



## Wellbeing Challenge

### **CONNECT**

Continue to say prayers for peace in Ukraine and for all those refugees who have had to flee the war.