

Year 3 Update 19.4.24

It has been lovely to welcome the children back after the Easter break, we started this term with a very exciting trip to Reveley Lodge which the children thoroughly enjoyed. The staff there were very impressed with the children's behaviour and engagement with the day.

RE

In RE this week, the children started learning about Islam. They had to think about the key areas in a Mosque and why these areas are important. They also looked at the importance of the five pillars which are central to the Islamic faith and their special book called the Qur'an. The children have been really enthusiastic about their learning and they have been able to make links with other religions. Next week, we will move onto our next topic called 'Energy' where the children will be learning about the Pentecost.

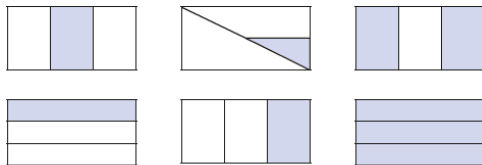
Vocabulary- Qubba, Qur'an, Mosque, Mihrab, minaret, Imam

Maths


This week in maths the children have started to learn about fractions. Initially, we reviewed the children's knowledge of a half, a quarter and a third and then they learnt about the numerator and denominator and what these represent. After that they learnt how to recognise unit and non-unit fractions and representing fractions in different ways. Next week we will continue our work on fractions, finding the fraction of an amount.

Vocabulary: numerator, denominator, unit fraction, equal, share, divide, half, quarter, third

Tick the shapes that have $\frac{1}{3}$ shaded.



Complete the sentences for each shape.

a) 

The whole is split into equal parts.

The denominator is

The fraction shaded is $\frac{1}{\text{input}}$

English

In English, we have started our new text called the 'Finger Eater' which will focus on letter writing. This story is about a troll called Ulf that likes to eat the fingers of the people he lives in a village with. This week the children used the text to identify key events recounted in the story and answered comprehension questions and used the text to justify their answers. Next week, they will create their own list poem including the theme of the story and list all the tasks that would be tricky to do without the use of your index finger!

Vocabulary- recount, list poem rhythm, rhyme, memorable

Science

This week we continued our learning about plants, we focused on the key vocabulary related to this topic. The children completed their pre-assessment to discover what they already know about plants and then we moved onto learning about functions and importance of each part of the plant, these fantastic booklets will be presented on our class display. Next week, the children will look at what plants require to help them grow and they will also find out how plants adapt to their environment to help them survive.

Vocabulary- Plant, flower, seed, pollination, function, stem, leaves, soil, nutrients, growth, life cycle,

Key Dates:

- **Mon 6th May** Bank Holiday – school closed
- **Thurs 9th May** Ascension Day – Crowning of Mary at 9.15am - see newsletter for details
- **Weds 22nd May** Key Stage Two (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) **Padua** classes Sports afternoon 1.30 - 3.30pm - parents welcome. This is weather dependent.
- **Thurs 23rd May** Key Stage Two (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) **Lisbon** classes Sports afternoon 1.30 - 3.30pm - parents welcome. This is weather dependent.
Sport's Afternoon: This year for sport's afternoon we are inviting the children to wear a t-shirt in the colour of their house team. St John Paul – yellow, St Kizito – red, St Hildegard – green and St Teresa – blue.
- **Thurs 23rd May** - Foodbank donation day
- **Fri 24th May** Early Years classes – mass in the Nursery Garden - 9.15am.
 - End of half term 3.30pm finish

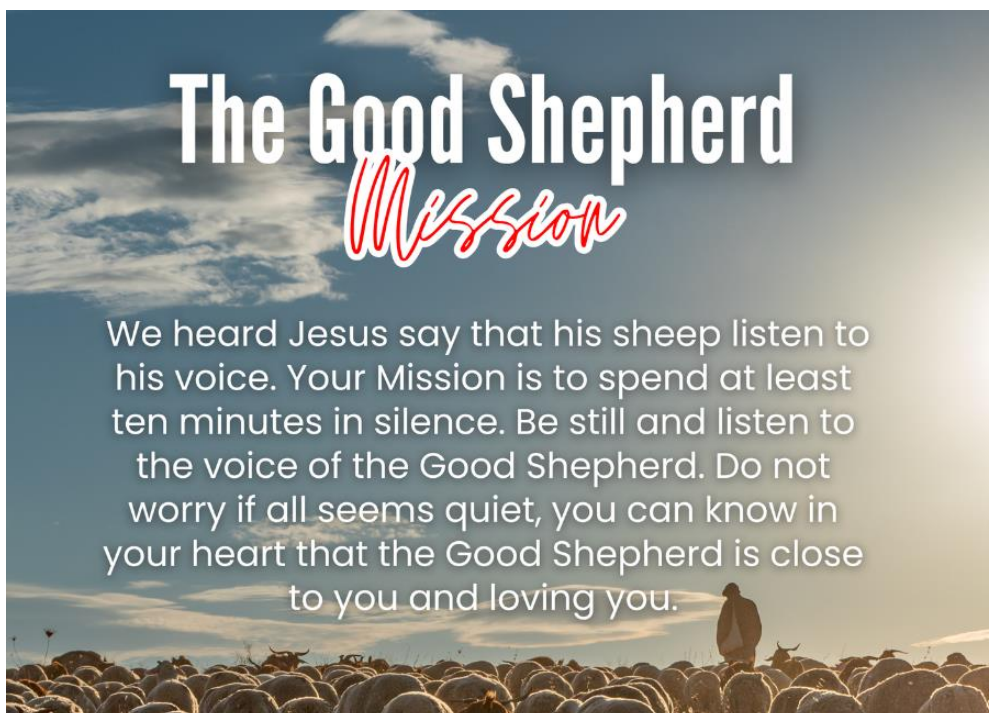
Five Ways to Wellbeing



CONNECT

Visit our school chapel with your class and teachers some time this week. Say a prayer, listen the music being played and sit quietly thinking about yourself and others.

Mark 10 Mission





The Good Shepherd *Mission*

We heard Jesus say that his sheep listen to his voice. Your Mission is to spend at least ten minutes in silence. Be still and listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd. Do not worry if all seems quiet, you can know in your heart that the Good Shepherd is close to you and loving you.



Peace Be With You *Mission*

Jesus showed himself to his friends, he wants to show himself to you and give you his peace.

In your prayer time this week, be honest with Jesus about anything which is worrying you. You can invite him to fill you with his peace.