



THE BATT C.E. SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers

Anti-Bullying Week

As you may be aware, this has been National Anti-Bullying week and all the classes have been thinking about what bullying is and how to take action if they encounter bullying. We have also discussed it in Collective Worship and put up signs in the playground which I am sure we will add to over time. In particular we have reminded the children that bullying is not a one-off incident but rather something that happens on several occasions over a period of time. We have used the acronym STOP – Several Times On Purpose – to help us remember this. Some classes have also discussed cyber bullying or sending unkind words over the internet, and how upsetting this can be for individuals and groups of children.

Richmond Village Visit

Our Year Six children had a wonderful morning on Tuesday with a group of residents from Richmond Village. We had invited them in to look at the work the children have been doing about World War Two and to be interviewed about their experiences. One of our guests, a 97-year-old former Spitfire pilot, talked to the groups of children about his experiences in dog fights against German pilots over Malta. Our children learned so much from these very special people and certainly learnt a huge amount for their topic.

Football Success

Congratulations to our football team for winning their latest Witney Schools' League match 8-1 against Finstock. It was another strong performance from the team, particularly Dylan on the wing.

500 New Books for our School

Many of you will recall Sadhbh's fabulous achievement of winning the BBC Radio Two 500 Words story competition last June with her wonderful story "Dancing on the Streets". I am very pleased to announce that one of Sadhbh's prizes was 500 new books for her school and they arrived this week. It is a great collection of books with a value of over £3,300 which will be distributed around the classes and of course added to our library. Congratulations once again to Sadhbh and Thank you!

Musical Success

One of our Year Six children performed at the Royal Albert Hall, London, last Wednesday. He played his violin in an orchestra and it was a truly memorable experience for him and his family. Well done Ben!

Safeguarding Training

I will be leading another safeguarding training session for those of you who are considering volunteering in school. This will take place at 9.00am on Tuesday 20th November. Please let the office know if you would like to attend.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr Chris Payne
Headteacher

