



## Our School Vision

May our lives shine with the light and love of Jesus

This Week: Monday  
29<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Our Christian Value for Term 6 is  
Respect

Support for parents and carers to keep children safe online:

<https://www.bbc.com/ownit>

<https://safetonet.com/foundation/covid/>

### Holidays and INSET Dates 2020/21

17<sup>th</sup> July - Last day of Term

20<sup>th</sup> July - INSET Day

### Reading at home

Please continue to hear your child read at home using either books from home or the e-books allocated to your child on Active Learn.

### Times Tables at home

If your child is in Y2-6 please continue to ensure your child is practising their times tables frequently using their Times Tables Rock Stars log in or your own flashcards if you prefer. This is important for mathematical speed and fluency prior to them moving up to their next year group. Year 2 need to know x2, x5 and x10 Year 3 focus on x3 x4 x6 x8 Year 4 focus x7 x9 x11 x12. Years 5 and 6 need to be fluent in all times tables. Little and often is the best strategy for success.

### Sun protection

A gentle reminder to bring a sun hat and apply sun cream before school on days when your child may be affected by the strength of the sun.

### Collection of KS1 children

In the interests of road safety, please can we ask parents to walk directly up to the gate to meet their child at the end of the day so that they are not crossing any part of road alone or walking behind parked cars to meet you. Thank you for your support with this.

### Acorns

Last week was wonderful as we welcomed back all the children who wanted a place into school. It is lovely to hear the playground full of happy voices again.

The children are doing well getting used to the new school routines and we should all be proud of how well they have adapted. In Acorn Class we have been busy with daily PE, reading, spelling, phonics, handwriting and arithmetic in addition to daily English and Maths lessons. In the afternoons we have been making pom pom pets, creating a pond habitat, as well as completing activities to promote good mental health.

Congratulations to Nicolas who has achieved his termly reading target this week. Ben has also gained another Bronze certificate in Mathematics.

### Oaks

It was so lovely to welcome so many children back to school last Monday. It is so good to see the school back to a bustling, lively place and we have been really impressed by how quickly the children have settled back into the school routine whilst remembering to maintain social distance.

We have all been working hard on our maths skills and play a daily game of 'Countdown' where we have to use randomly-selected numbers to make the target (and yes, the children have sometimes beaten the teacher)! The Oaks bubble have started a mini topic on Shakespeare, and we began by learning some facts about his life and then creating some fun Shakespearean insults - 'cloak bag of guts' being one of the favourites. We also explored magnetic fields in science, plotting these with a compass, as well as exploring how magnets behaved. In Computing, we are making stop-motion films and began by animating a lump of plasticine. We have also begun a series of lessons exploring emotions to help promote well-being.

Congratulations to Jack, Louisa, Theo Creed, Alfie, Jasmine, Cristian, Raul and Emily, who have all passed reading quizzes this week. A huge well done to Alfie and Cristian who have also reached their termly reading targets.

Our home -learners continue to work hard on their Mathematics, Mirabelle, Tom, Olivia and Alfie all spending time practising their maths this week - the last three all achieved bronze certificates. I was also pleased to hear that Olivia received an award for her book review by a YouTube English teacher.