



# Guilden Morden Church of England (VC) School Newsletter

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017

## Head teachers update

The children have had another busy week, enjoying and gaining a great deal of learning from the RE immersive day and World Book Day.

Over the coming weeks we will be changing the activities which will be on offer to the children during the lunchtime break. We hope that this will encourage calmer and more enjoyable lunchtimes. The PTFA have offered to pay for new equipment to enhance lunchtime activities. I would like to say a big thank you to the PTFA for their continued support. It will make a big difference to all the children. I will outline the changes on a separate letter in the coming weeks - so watch this space.

## 'R.E. Immersive Day'

We had a prayer walk around the village, offering prayers written by the children, at key points in the village. It was a very reflective event and the children wrote some thoughtful prayers. In the afternoon, the children undertook group activities linked to Lent.

The children have also been invited by our Church Rector, Shamus Williams to visit the village church on 23 March to view and hear stories relating to the church stained glass.

## Website Permission

Our photographer will be coming to the school on Monday to take photographs around inside and outside of the building as well as children whilst they are learning. Please return your consent form regarding your child so that we can ensure your child will not be photographed, if this is your wish.

## Pre-School

This week the children have been learning about nocturnal animals such as foxes, owls, bats and hedgehogs.

They have enjoyed playing in our pre-school café with our homemade salt dough cakes and cookies made by the children. We have also enjoyed water play this week, washing cars.



## ICT Trip to Cambridge

It was a fabulous, informative day at the Computer History Museum and Apple Store, learning how to code in both the old fashioned method (BBC basic!) and modern coding in the Apple Store. We will be following up on these activities in the class with the possibility of arranging another trip in the future.



### Recorder Sessions - Class 2 & 3

We had a good attendance at this week's first Recorder Lessons. These sessions are offered to Class 2 & Class 3 children every Monday at 12.45pm-1.15pm in the School Hall.

Many thanks to Mrs Nicola Chapman who has volunteered her services for these lessons. Recorders may be purchased from the office. Please encourage your child to join in!

### World Book Day

We celebrated 'World Book Day' on Thursday with a second hand book stall and cake sale after school.



We received £113.00 donations towards PTFA funds for school play equipment. Thank you very much everyone.

### Uniform

We would like to remind all children to wear the correct and agreed uniform.

**Red sweatshirt/jumper & cardigan (girls)**

**Grey/Black trousers or shorts (boys)**

**Grey/Black skirt/trousers or pinafore dress(girls)**

**White polo shirt (all)**

**Grey/white/black or red tights or socks (all)**

**Black leather shoes or boots (all)**

**PE: Dark/navy blue shorts or tracksuit trousers**

**PE: Red/white plain t-shirt (no motifs)**

**PE: Plimsolls & outside trainers**

### Recruiting

**Cool Club Playworker** are looking for help on the following days

- Tuesdays after school 3-6pm
- Every morning 7.45 am - 8.45am

**Cleaner** - flexible working hours

Please do pass the word around if you have any friends or family seeking a part-time paid role.

### 'New' GOLD AWARDS

These special awards have been awarded this week to:-

-JAKE LANS for offering to help Mrs Cooper with the orange netting blown away by storm Doris.



-ESMEE SABAN for enthusiastic team playing in PE Hockey with Miss Jackson. WELL DONE !



### AWARDS

This week's Awards have been given to Joshua Lans, Leo Kendall, Martha Formstone and Imogen Weaver.

The Head Teacher's Award went to Johnnie McCulloch for his wonderful R.E. work about Jesus being tempted. Fox Class for the tidiest cloakroom.

Keep up the great work everyone!

<b>Thought for the week:</b>
<p>"Whilst always looking for the good in others, you will find the good in yourself"</p>
<b>Christian value:</b>
<p><b>'LOVE'</b></p> <p>John 4:10, Luke 6:32-36 1 Corinthians, 13:4 Proverbs 17:17</p>
<p>Please remember to collect your <b>Sainsbury's Active shopping vouchers</b> for our school collection box, located outside the office.</p> <p>Kind regards, <i>Alan Wright</i> <i>Head teacher</i></p>

<b>Diary Updates and Reminders</b>	
7 & 8 March	Parent/Teacher Meetings -Appointments arranged at office.
16 <sup>th</sup> March	Vision Screening (Reception & Year 1)
27 <sup>th</sup> March	'British Values Day'
Friday 31 March	Last day of Term
25 April, 7pm (45 mins)	Resuscitation Training for Parent Helpers
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Mini-Olympics, years 3&4

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