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Value...Dream...Achieve...

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Mrs Warburton's Maternity Cover

Last week the interviews took place to find a teacher to look after our Reception Class whilst Mrs Warburton is on her maternity leave. We are very pleased to announce that Mrs Hewertson will be our Reception teacher in September. During the rest of this term, Mrs Warburton and Mrs Hewertson will be ensuring that the transition between the two members of staff will be as smooth as possible ready for when our 30 new starters begin in September.

Tarleton's Annual Scarecrow Festival

Thank you to all the helpers who contributed to the Scarecrow festival which took place last Saturday. So many people passed on their praise and thanks saying what a lovely day it was.

With regard to the Scarecrow competition, after some deliberation, the judges came to a unanimous decision.

In third place - No 25: The Farnworth's - Despicable Me

In second place - Entry 46: Nina Watkinson (Village Dry Cleaners) with The B.F.G

The WINNER is... Entry 18: Ivy and Arthur Woods with Mary Poppins.

The judges also awarded a special merit award to Tarleton Holy Trinity C of E Primary, while all the individual entries were very good the collective display was excellent. They could really see the hard work that the staff and pupils put in. Early indications show that we raised about £2,000!!

Have a look on our Facebook page or click on: http://tarletonholytrinity.org/our-annual-tarleton-scarecrow-festival-6th-7th-may-2017/ to see all the pictures.

(Thank you to Fran Van-Dijk for taking the photos!!)

A Message from Mr Hoggarth:

Thomas, Niamh, Faye, Ted and Eddie from Year 6 raised a total of £100 for Cancer Research UK at their "Lemonade and Treatz" stall at the Scarecrow festival, in addition to some funds for the school. They did a fantastic job I'm sure you'll agree. The money has been donated to the Scarecrow festival takings on Saturday evening. I'm sure all the parents are very proud of their achievement, I know I am.

A Message from Mrs Barraclough in Year 1

Please can Year 1 bring in a 500ml clear pop bottle (empty with a lid) for an art project - we need them by this coming Friday - thanks!!

Celebration Worship

Last Friday was a very busy Celebration Worship with lots of certificates to look at that the children brought in. Don't forget...please don't send in certificates this week as we are giving out the 100% certificates. Well done to all the children who made it to my bench last Friday, they were:

Reception	Katie
Year 1	Lucas
Year 2	Jack
Year 3	Jake
Year 4	James
Year 5	Ella S
Year 6	All Year 6

<u>Our Worship Theme for this Week is...</u> Forgiveness















Attendance Figures

During our short last week, 161 (out of 171) of our children managed to achieve 100% attendance. During the same week seven pupils were late for at least one session of school.

...and well done to Mrs Warburton's class and Mr Skinner's who were the Best Attending Classes of the week...no one was off so 100%!!

School Lunches

Next week (the week beginning 15^{th} May) is week 2 of the cycle. The menu will remain unchanged for this week

As usual, in addition to the advertised meals - the children can choose a jacket potato on the day or there is a choice of 3 sandwiches (ham, cheese or tuna) which should be booked in advance, online via ParentPay.

Bikeability

During the summer term Year 6 will be undergoing their cycle training. More information will come to you about this after Easter, but we are looking for some parent / carer volunteers who can help with the cycle training. If you are free on the 16th, 17^{th} and 19^{th} May, and are willing to help, please let Mrs Warburton know as soon as possible...at the moment we are struggling for volunteers.

Sainsbury's Active Vouchers

Sainsbury's has now stopped 'giving out' their vouchers when you do your shopping at their Supermarket. Please rummage through your pockets, handbags and kitchen drawers to see if you have vouchers in there and then send them into school...you have until the 30th June - after that we can then count how many we have got and then place our order from their catalogue for equipment we can 'buy'. Thanks!!

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,

Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)

Did you know...

On one particular website it says that:

Scarecrows been used worldwide for more than 3,000 years to scare away crows and other birds from crops.

The Egyptians, Greeks, Romans and Japanese all used them in ancient times and their use carried on into the Middle Ages. It was then that some people in Europe believed scarecrows could have special powers. In Germany, scarecrows were made of wood and looked like witches. These witch scarecrows were supposed to help the coming of spring.

In medieval Britain, young boys and girls became live scarecrows or bird scarers. These youngsters would patrol the fields and chase off birds by waving their arms or throwing stones. Unfortunately, the Black Plague of the mid-1300s killed almost half of the people in Britain, including these bird scarers. Farmers then started to lean stuffed sacks of straw with gourd faces against poles. The scarecrows' picturesque appearance has been recorded as early as 1592 and has been a favourite of writers including Shakespeare.