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'Educating For Life In All Its Fullness'

3rd March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

This afternoon in Celebration Assembly, we said well done to the following children for making the extra effort to impress during the week.

<u>Class 1</u> <u>Excellent Early Learners</u>
Ben L Sam J
<u>Class 2</u>
Wonderful Work: Harman G
<u>Class 3</u>
Wonderful Work: Zachary K Brilliant Behaviour: Alfred W
<u>Class 4</u>
Wonderful Work: George R Brilliant Behaviour: Sofia C

World Book Day

The costumes for World Book Day yesterday were amazing. Thank you to all the families for your efforts in organizing this for the children. They had a great day doing book related activities, celebrating reading and hopefully, many will have had the chance to swap some books too.

The school website has a good number of the photos for you to look at if you wish. (www.harewood.leeds.sch.uk)



Class 3 Football

Two teams from Class 3 played football matches against Kickstart teams on Wednesday evening. For some players this was the first time they had played competitive games. They were fabulous ambassadors for our school, played well and showed great sporting attitude. The older group drew their match 8-8 with them in the lead for most of the game. The younger group lost their game but tried really hard.





PTA News

Next week is the next PTA Bun Sale. Class 3 are due to supply the buns this time. If you would like your child to take part, please send them with their 50p on Thursday.



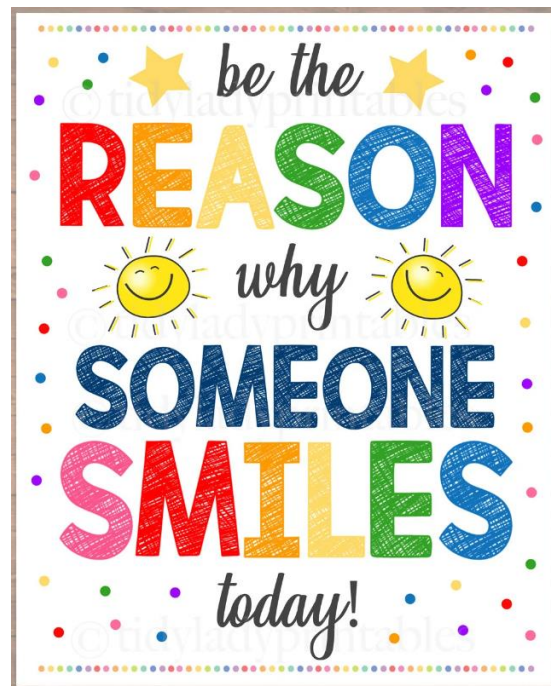
Yesterday you should have received a PTA information flyer about their Easter Bingo Event. If you missed this, children will be bringing home paper copies and I have also attached it with this newsletter.

The PTA are still collecting donations of gifts for the Mother's Day event. Unwanted gifts, small ornaments, candles, toiletries, accessories, cosmetics, chocolates, wine etc. Please all items must be new, unopened and in perfect condition to be re-gifted. Ideally, these need to be in school early next week so there is time to sort them before the children get to choose gifts. Thank you.

'Wellbeing Statement of the Month'

March 2023

A random act of kindness, being supportive or cheering someone up can make a really big difference to someone's day. Could it be you that makes the difference?



Music In Worship - The Wise Man Built His House Upon the Rock

This week's song is called 'The Wise Man Built His House Upon the Rock'. It is not known who wrote this song nor when it was first written but it is an extremely popular Sunday School Hymn that has been around for many years.

The lyrics for this song are inspired by a passage in the Bible from the book of Matthew. They are from one of the parables that Jesus told during His Sermon on the Mount. Jesus told a story about two men: one who built his house upon a rock and another who built his house upon sand. The house built upon a rock weathered the storm, and the builder is called wise; but the house built on the sand collapsed during the storm, and the builder is called foolish.

The meaning of this parable is that we need to have proper foundations in our lives. We can see that building a house on a rock is much more sensible than building a house on sand – I'm sure we have all built a sandcastle and enjoyed watching it being washed away by the sea! But Jesus's sermon was not really about house construction. He told the people that everyone who hears his words and puts them into action is like the wise man.

This week we are thinking about making wise decisions. In order to be confident when things might be changing around us, we need to stand firm in our beliefs and build on the solid rock. So, this week, think about your decisions, are you going to be the foolish builder whose house collapses when the storm comes or are you going to be the wise man whose life stands firm no matter what life brings?

Here is the YouTube link for the song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GQgd-C-cTZs>

Events and Dates for the Term

Date	Event
Thursday 9 th March	PTA Bun Sale (Class 3 providing buns)
Friday 10 th March	PTA Mother's Day Event
Tuesday 21 st March	Basket Ball Competition at Boston Spa
Tuesday 21 st March	World Down Syndrome Day
Friday 24 th March	D:Side PSHE Day
Friday 24 th March	PTA Easter Bingo Night
Monday 27 th March	St George's Church to lead an Easter Worship Event
Friday 31 st March	School closes today for Easter

Have a good weekend.

Mr A. Ratcliffe

