



# NEWSLETTER

17<sup>th</sup> January 2025

## **NURSERY – Explorers Here We Go!**

Nursery have started their new topic 'Explorers Here We Go!' We have explored Neil Armstrong's journey to the moon and Jacques Cousteau's journey in the ocean. The children have been having lots of fun collaging stars, making jelly fish, counting moon rocks, investigating frozen objects and lots more! I wonder what we explore next...



## **RECEPTION**

This week in Reception we have been reflecting on the things that are special to us. We listened to the story 'Dogger' and talked about what was so special to Dave and what is special to us. The children had some lovely ideas that they shared:

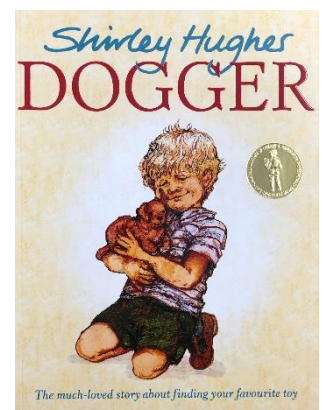
**Luciana-** *Playing in the mud with my friends.*

**Molly-** *All of my friends are special to me.*

**Mila-** *My mum and dad are special to me.*

**Tommy-** *Playing with Cayde is special to me.*

**Daisy-Leigh-** *My mummy is special to me.*

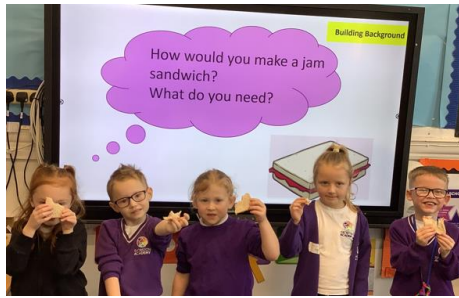




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## YEAR 1

In writing this week, Year 1 have been learning about instructions. The children started the week by working together to make jam sandwiches and have then written instructions to explain how to do this to others.



## YEAR 2

This week, Year 2 have begun their learning in an entirely new Christianity RE module entitled 'What is the good news Christians believe Jesus brings'. We read a passage from the Bible and discussed its ideas around peace and what it means to be at peace. As a class, we explored when we feel most peaceful and where some of our 'peaceful places' might be. The children then created illustrations of these peaceful places and shared with the group.





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## **YEAR 3**

This week, in topic, Year 3 have been learning about the layers of the earth. We found that we live on the Earth's crust, which is the thinner outer layer. We discovered that we sit on the semi-liquid mantle, followed by the outer core and then the inner core.



## **YEAR 4 – Team building trip!**

This week, Year 4 visited Belmont School to take part in a Team Building event. The children worked incredibly hard to solve and complete a range of different activities and used excellent communication skills to work efficiently as a team.

*"I liked working as a team to move through the hula hoops" - **Jessie***

*"I liked the rock paper; scissors game because it was very fun. They explained the activities really well." - **Caleb***

*"I liked all the games because they were fun." – **Lincoln***





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## YEAR 5

This week, Year 5 have continued their computing topic of coding. In our first lesson, we recapped vocabulary before learning new skills such as the use of tags, score counter and the hide feature. We completed a given task whereby we were asked to complete a series of challenges, before we made our own game! We thoroughly enjoyed spending time coding and learning new computing skills.



## YEAR 6

This week, Year 6 have been delving into the art of storytelling by writing a 5-part non-linear narrative inspired by the short film 'Beyond the Lines'. The film is set against the backdrop of the Normandy landings in World War 2 and we have tried hard to use lots of figurative language and description in our writing. Here are a few excerpts from our wonderful year 6 authors!

*'Roaring explosions quickly approached as death lingered in the air.'* **Ellie**

*'The beach lay scarred as the horizon held its breath and cried for mercy.'* **Grace**

*'Overhead, bombs dropped from the sky, obliterating everything and anything that came in its sight.'* **George M**

*'The tired, scarred sun hung heavily behind the unbreakable atmosphere.'* **Jack E**

*'The air was thick with fear, suffocating all the soldiers, while the clouds growled and waited to unleash their fury.'* **Jack A**

*'Victoria lay motionless on the blood-stained sand, whilst Charles attempted to save her with every ounce of strength he could find.'* **Penelope**



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The menu for week beginning **20<sup>h</sup> January 2025 is Week 1**. School dinners are £14.05 per week, paid online by Monday please. Our school menu can now be found on our website. If you would like to look at the options with your child, please use the following link.

<http://www.sacristonacademy.co.uk/school-information/lunch-menu>

## Class Attendance



Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
87.88%	95.65%	100.00%	95.83%	98.58%	95.65%	96.98%	90.00%

The government expectation is 97% attendance for individual pupils and school. Attendance and punctuality really matter to your child's education - every day counts! When your child's attendance drops below 95% school will begin monitoring. Referrals to the local authority may also be made if there is no improvement seen.

## Weekly Awards

Our Headteacher Awards were presented today to the following children who have all impressed their class teacher:

**Nursery:** Reggie Hubber

**Reception:** Luciana Grace

**Year 1:** Lewis Laddie

**Year 2:** Lilly Milburn

**Year 3:** Alexander Swindle

**Year 4:** Memphis Mendy

**Year 5:** Lucian Armstrong

**Year 6:** Max Inglis





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## **Handwriting Awards:**

**Year 1:** Harry Elliott

**Year 2:** Finn Robson

**Year 3:** Olivia Ward

**Year 4:** Memphis Mendy

**Year 5:** Evan Long

**Year 6:** Tyler Mason



## **Dates for your Diary**

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January**

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April**

Y3 Sports Trip

Parent Workshop – Sleep – 9am

EY Stay and Play 10:30am

Theme Lunch – Valentines Day

Break up for half term

Children return to school

Uniform swap shop

Theme Lunch – Pancake Day

Y1 Sports Trip

Red Nose Day

Y2 Sports Trip

Y5 Sports Trip

Y6 Sports Trip

Break up for Easter