



West Ham Church School

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Key Stage 1

Weekly News Page
Autumn 2, Week 3
19th November 2021



Wonder, Harmony, Compassion, Strength

School Vision

Our vision is to enable children, with God's guidance, to know and appreciate the **wonder** of God's creation, to live in **harmony** embracing differences, to always act with **compassion** inspired by the example of Jesus, and to have the **strength** to follow their dreams and achieve their goals.

Prayer Space

A prayer from the team at All Saints Church

Lord God, thank you for the diversity of your creation.

Thank you for all that we have learned this Inter Faith Week about different faiths and beliefs.

We thank you for the beauty and wisdom that are found in each faith. May we continue to celebrate diversity in our school, and to love and respect each other just as you love us.



Amen.



Key Stage 1 Staff

Year 2:

Squirrels Class ~ Mr. Dickey
Phase Leader

Hedgehogs Class ~ Mrs. Jordan

Year 1:

Dragonflies Class ~ Miss Upson

Butterflies Class ~ Mrs. Baleka

Teaching Assistants

Mrs Adu-Gyamfi, Ms Nesbitt, Mrs Chowdhury and Mrs Dosti

Whilst we are available for any quick questions about your child at the end of the school day, please be mindful that we need to dismiss all the children safely. Please contact the school office if you have a question that requires more of our time.

Value

Our school value this term is
joy

Inter Faith Week and Collective Worship

Our focus for Inter Faith Week this week has been to strengthen good interfaith relations in our school community. During collective worship this week, we have had visitors from the Buddhist, Jewish, Christian and Islamic faiths come into school and share their religious beliefs and practices with us. The children also heard stories from different faiths that were meaningful to our different visitors, and had the opportunity to ask questions.



As a school, we have spoken about the different faiths that make up our school community, and some of the children shared their personal beliefs with us; this has increased the awareness of the different faith communities in our school. During lesson time, each class has looked at how different religions respond to, and explain, the natural world around us.





Nativity

We are delighted to announce that we are beginning to prepare for our school nativity. Next week we will be discussing roles with children and what they would like to do. Every child in Year 2 will be included, with speaking parts if they want to join in. Please help children learn their lines if you receive a script in the next week.



Anti Bullying Week

Next week, we are celebrating Anti-Bullying Week; this year's theme is 'One Kind Word'.

In classes and in worship, we will be talking about what bullying is and how we can put an end to it.

We will be creating displays in our classroom to share 'One Kind Word' in the range of languages that we have in our school.

Please talk with your child about the kind words that they could share and how they would be translated into your home language.



Clubs

We have new clubs running this term after school:

Monday

- Multi sports

Tuesday

- Explorers

Wednesday

- Gardening

Thursday

- Sewing
- Ballet (taught by Primrose School of Dance)

If you would like your child to attend a club, please call Mrs Adam in the school office.



Science Ambassador Visit

The science ambassadors visited the Science Museum this week. They went to develop their scientific understanding and to bring back lots of ideas to share with their classes. Joining them were the winners of the holiday homework competition researching Black scientists. We can't wait to hear all of their wonderful ideas!





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Key Stage 1 Curriculum Information



English

In English this week, we have been creating fact files about different religions. The children spent time researching using both books, and the internet, with the aim of finding out one thing about a religion they did not already know.

Maths

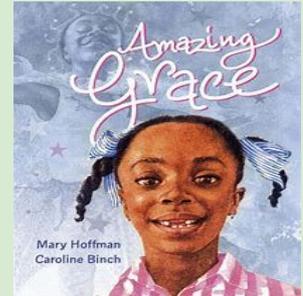
Children have continued to look at addition and subtraction this week. We have been looking at part-whole models, and using the column method to both take away one digit numbers and add two digit numbers together.

Curriculum

This week in history we have been looking at the coronation of Queen Elizabeth 2 in 1953 and how different people celebrated.
In Geography we looked at the habitat of hedgerows and meadows and what animals you would find there and what they are made of.
In RSHE this week we looked at what is bullying and how to get help.

Focus Text

We are reading, 'Amazing Grace' by Mary Hoffman and Caroline Binch.



Word of the Week:

forgiveness

Challenge Questions:

1. How do you think Grace felt when she decided to forgive Raj and Natalie?
2. Do you think they forgive themselves for being unkind?

Year 1 Spellings

goal
coach
own
snow
grow
toe
goes
go
no
so

Year 2 Spellings

pencil
fossil
nostril
pupil
metal
pedal
capital
hospital
animal
oval

Homework

English

1. Practise this week's spellings.
2. Read Big Cat book and library book (*please remember to bring back your reading books by Tuesday*).
3. Complete the activity in your homework books.

Maths:

Complete the worksheet provided, reinforcing addition and subtraction skills.

Talk for writing

On Friday the children were back doing talk for writing, after taking a break researching different religions.

As part of our focus text Amazing Grace we have been learning all about story mountains. The children produced some wonderful mountains, writing down the main aspects of the story.

Next week we are going to be looking at drawing story maps and adding actions to the story before we begin to innovate and create our own story.



Mathletics

Bronze - 1000 points

Tawid
 Ana-Sofia
 Tasnia
 Muhammad Mukhtar
 Victor
 Abubakar

On this page, we celebrate the children's achievements in and out of school.

Parents, please do let us know if you are particularly pleased with something your child has achieved at home, we would like to recognise:

- ❖ Good behaviour
- ❖ Excellent attitude to learning
- ❖ Progress
- ❖ High quality work
- ❖ Awards



This week the award goes to:
Guilherme for showing **strength** when learning new concepts at school.



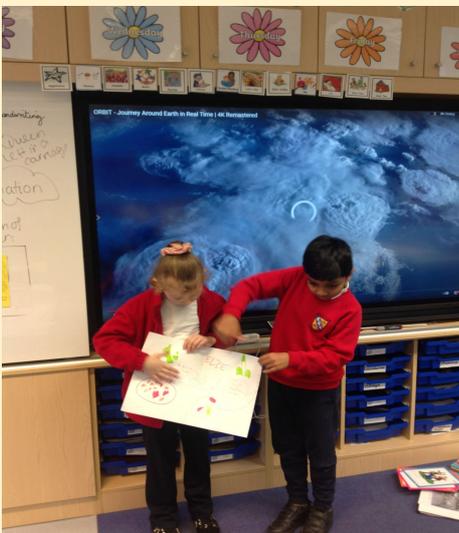
Squirrels: Ana-Sofia for working really hard to improve her phonics knowledge.

Hedgehogs: Elizabeth for improvement and perseverance in her writing.

Butterflies: Abigail, for trying hard across the curriculum and improving her reading skills.

Our Work!

This week in KS1 we have been learning about different faiths and we have discussed how proud we are of the world we live in.





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WHCS Song Sheet
"Silent Night"

Silent Night

**Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright.
Round yon virgin, mother and child,
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.**

**Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight.
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ the Saviour is born!
Christ the Saviour is born!**

**Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light.
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.**