

NEWSLETTER

A message from this week's editor: Mr Brunson

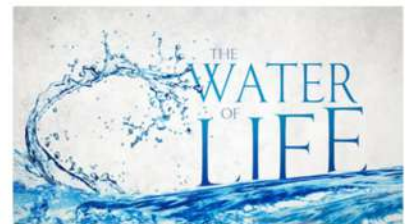
Year 5 and 6 had a brilliant time at PGL Liddington this week. The children took part in lots of adventurous activities, trying out new skills and developing teamwork. There are lots of photos available to view on our school website; do take a moment to have a look. Thank you to all the staff who gave up their own time to give the children this memorable experience. Meanwhile, back at school, Year 1 parents enjoyed their express event looking at what the children had been learning and Year 6 enjoyed a visit from Wayne Dixon, exploring more about the Easter story. There are several important dates coming up in the next two weeks; more information is included on the calendar dates page of today's newsletter.



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C of E Multi Academy Trust

Collective Worship

Our Lent 'Come and See' focus has continued this week, as we look closely at baptism. This week, we discussed what might be meant by 'the water of life' and thought about how everything needs water to live. In the same way, Christians believe that the Holy Spirit helps them to flourish in their lives, and can be described as the water of life.



Star of the week

Nursery - Henry
Reception - Sahib
Year 1 - Nermin
Year 2 - Shrinka
Year 3 - Stefan
Year 4 - Sophia

Top Attendance this week

1st - Year 1 - 97.87%
2nd - Year 4 - 95.66%
3rd - Year 3 - 95.40%

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK?



The children in Explorers class enjoyed several activities this week, based on our new book "Secret Sky Garden." They used Lego to create their own "secret sky gardens," showing great creativity and imagination.

The children also took part in an interactive game where they inferred how the characters might be feeling, helping to develop their understanding of emotions and the story.



Early Years have loved learning about plants, how they grow, and what they need to survive and thrive. They created their own growing area outside, planting seeds and looking after them every day. They can't wait to see the chives, parsley and the different types of flowers that grow!



This week in Year 1, the children have been exploring the story 'The Snail and the Whale' through their English learning. Inspired by the beautiful journeys in the story, the children created their own setting description boxes. They carefully thought about different locations from the book and used descriptive words to bring each setting to life using all their senses. The children showed fantastic creativity and imagination, making their settings detailed and engaging!



A few children from Year 2 & Year 3 went to Eton College on Tuesday afternoon to work alongside other children in our Trust. During this session, the children explored and experimented with screen painting techniques to create their very own masterpieces. Our budding artists really threw themselves into the experience and making their pictures. They shared ideas, helped each other, and were very proud of their work.



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Year 4 have been developing their forehand and backhand. The children worked really hard to improve their accuracy.



This week, Year 5 have been learning about body image. They recognised that some people may have a positive body image about themselves and feel really confident in their own skin but others may have a negative body image and compare themselves to others, especially against what they see in social media. As a class, we agreed that everyone is unique, special and important in our own way, but also to remember that there is no 'normal'.



Year 6 have continued their preparations for their upcoming SATS examinations and commenced their assessed writing portfolio, working on their narrative skills. In addition, we attended the annual 'Easter Cracked' workshop, which discussed the events leading to the worldwide celebration of the Christian festival, including the meanings of the special days of the season. We left with an improved understanding of the true meaning of 'Easter'.



From Wednesday to Friday this week, children from Year 5 & Year 6 enjoyed their residential trip to PGL Liddington. From start to finish, their schedules were action packed with activities that challenged them, encouraged teamwork, and brought out their best. Throughout the trip, the children showed fantastic resilience, camaraderie, and enthusiasm. They were a credit to the school and themselves, thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and demonstrated excellent teamwork and character building over the few days.



PUPIL VOICE

"We have to make sure we water our plants so they can grow"

Nella - Reception

"The feeling and emotion game is a really fun activity!"

Charlie - Year 4

"To get to Eton College, we travelled by minibus, it was a very cool way to travel with with my friends and Miss Torpey. It was my first time on a minibus and I loved it!"

Elias - Year 3

"Best part of this week was helping Year 1 with their learning, I enjoyed talking to them. I also enjoyed the dance teachers teaching us a new dance routine!"

Amine - Year 5



IMPORTANT DATES

Week 4

- 17th March - Early Years Express Event from 2:30pm in classroom
- 17th March - Year 3 Express Event from 2:30pm in the hall
- 19th March - Year 2 Express Event from 2:30pm in the hall
- 19th March - Year 5 Express Event from 2:45pm in class
- 20th March - Year 6 Express Event from 2:30pm in the hall

Week 5

- 23rd March - Easter Bonnet Parade & PTA Cake sale at 2:30pm on the playground (details on next page)
- 26th March - Last day of term for Nursery
- 26th March - Easter Church Service at St Thomas' Church prompt start 2:15pm
- 27th March - Last day of term for Reception to Year 6 - finish at 1:15pm

Easter Holiday
30th March to 10th April

**School re-starts for all pupils
on Monday 13th April**

Week 1 & 2

13th April - First day of term

**20th & 22nd April - Teddy Bears
Picnics - more details to follow**

**24th April - Year 1 Class
Assembly - 9-9:30am - Hall**

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Breakfast Club needs to be booked via Teachers2Parent app.



Easter Bonnet Parade



We are delighted to invite all children to take part in our Easter Bonnet Parade!

Children are encouraged to create and decorate their own Easter bonnet at home and bring it into school.

✧ **🎀 Parade & Judging** ✧

The parade will take place promptly at 2:30pm on Monday 23rd March, in the playground, followed by judging.

There will be one winner per class.

🍰 Cake Sale

After the parade, there will be a cake sale for everyone to enjoy.

Please note: cash only — no card payments available.

📌 Important Reminder

All Easter bonnet entries must be brought into school by the morning of the parade.

We look forward to seeing all the wonderful and creative designs! 🌸 ✨

