

Friday February 28th 2020

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Dear Parents

The weather has not been too kind as we return to the second half of Spring term.

Canon Frank joined us for our Ash Wednesday Mass on Wednesday in the Long Room which was led by our Year 5 Students.

As you know, our Students opted to support 'The Children's Trust' as our Lenten Charity this year and we will be fundraising for them during the coming weeks.

Parent Consultation meetings take place next week in the Long Room and the Lunch Room. Please do contact the School Office to make an appointment Ms K Barry - Head teacher if you have not yet had a chance to do so.

Next Thursday is World Book Day and we are all very much looking forward to seeing everyone in their costumes for what is always a fantastic day.

Nourish will also be providing a special 'Bookthemed' lunch, details of which can be found on page 4.

Our Year 6 Students returned from half term refreshed and rested following their action-packed PGL trip. You can read all about their adventures on pages 2 and 3.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, whatever the weather brings.

Stars and Hearts of the Week







Our Year 6 Students had an amazing time on their PGL trip just before half term. Here are some of their highlights.

The sun was shining and we went to our first activity of the day – The Giant Swing! I was the first person to have a go, and didn't know what to expect. We got strapped into a harness with ropes attached and the rest of the group that I was in had to pull us up high. Then you are told by the instructors to pull a rope behind you. I pulled the rope not having any idea what it was going to do and we started swinging, like the biggest swing you have ever been on. It was so much fun, but scary at the same time! We all had two turns on the swing.

After the Giant Swing we did an activity called Survivor, its about teaching you how to survive in the wilderness. We learnt how to build shelters,

learnt how to start a fire and what materials help fires to burn.

Dinner was delicious fish and chips, followed by fun in our rooms. We also played 'Hide and Seek' in the dark, it was hard as it was really dark! We hid in bushes and underneath trees.





The sun had risen and I was pouncing with energy. For breakfast I had Shredded Wheat. I got changed and we were all ready to go out and conquer our new activities.

First we rode the zip wire with our coach, Kieran. He showed us the safety rules and gave an example of himself doing it. We all got four goes. When I first rode I felt it was quite slow.

My friends agreed. They also said that they couldn't touch the platform normally. They were on their tiptoes. I felt the same.

On my second go I landed smoothly because I ran when touched the ground. By doing this you wouldn't crash land.

On my third go I was quite confident. This time I jumped off. But I forgot to hold the handles! I started twirling around until I found my grip. Not only that, but I crash-landed on my side. Not that it was bad, because it was totally AWESOME! I loved it and everyone else did too.





My class and I got an opportunity to go to a camp called PGL. I shared a room with all the girls.

On PGL I experienced some of the best days of my school life!

Our first activity was 'Giant Swing'. This activity was by far my favourite one.

When we first got there I was scared and I didn't want to do it, but when I saw everyone else having fun, I decided to try it.

With every activity there is always some team work included and for 'Giant Swing' we had to pull a rope all together until the people in the swing went as high as they wanted to.



After a good night's sleep we had a lovely breakfast. Although it was raining, we still all went out and did the activities.

Today we were busy building a buggy and climbing 'Jacob's Ladder'.

I was glad to get back to the room and warm up at lunchtime!

After lunch we went to do the 'Sensory Trail' and abseiling. With the 'Sensory Trail' it was fine; the abseiling was a bit scary but I still did it and it was really fun.

When we went back to our rooms we got ready and had a fun evening of games.

I had the best time ever; I was exhausted and I hope I can go back soon.



Nursery News

This week Nursery are continuing to look at the topic of transport. They took part in many activities including:

Looking at pictures of different modes of transport around the world, discussing them and comparing them to our transport links in the UK.

Doing car painting and exploring the different marks made. Participating in a science experiment called 'Balloon powered car'

Making our own transport biscuits



Using role-play to practice and learn road safety (and receiving road safety certificates)

Miss Hogsden



Well done to our two Reception Students who both won 'player of the day' for the Under 6s at the Old Whits Rugby Club last Sunday.

Well done also to our Year 1 Student who won a medal at half term football camp.



School Calendar W/C March 2nd 2020

| Monday Feb 24th | Swimming | Yrs. 1&4 | Kit needed |
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| | Latin | Yrs. 5-6 | 1.05-1.35pm |
| | Spanish | Yrs. 3-6 | 12.40-1.05pm |
| | Scrabble | Rec—Y2 | 3.20-4.00pm |
| | Art Club | Yrs. 1-2 | 3.30-4.30pm |
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| Tuesday Feb 25th | Chess | Yrs. 4-5 | 1-1.30pm |
| | Homework | Yrs. 3-6 | 3.30-4pm |
| | CPFC | Rec-Y2 | 3.30-4.30pm |
| | French Club | all | 3.30-4.30pm |
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| Weds Feb 26th | Travel the World | Yrs. 3-4 | 1.05-1.35 |
| | Homework | Yrs. 3-6 | 3.30-4pm |
| | Games | Yrs.3-6 | 3.30-4.30pm |
| | Tennis | Yrs.1-6 | 3.20-4.20pm |
| Thursday Feb 27th | Drama | LAMDA | 12.30-1pm |
| | Homework | Yrs.3-6 | 3.30-4pm |
| | AM Soccer | Yrs. 3-6 | 3.30-4.30pm |
| | STEM | Yr.5 | 3.30-4.30pm |
| | Ballet | Nursery | 3.15-4.00pm |
| | Ballet | Reception | 4-4.45pm |
| | Ballet | Y1/2 | 4.45-5.15pm |
| | Lego Club | Rec-Yr.2 | 3.30-4pm |
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| Friday Feb 28th | Music Theory | Yrs. 3-6 | 1.05-1.35pm |
| | Prayer Club | All | 12.35-1.05 |
| | Art Club | Yrs.3-6 | 3.30-4.30pm |
| | Fencing | Yrs. 3-6 | 3.30-4.30pm |

Dates for you diary this term:

March 5th—World Book Day

March 17th—Easter Concert (Yrs.3-6)

March 27th (12.15pm)—End of term

