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# Laleham Lea

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Dear Parents

We have enjoyed another busy week of hard work, fun and learning at Laleham Lea.

Our 'Eco-Schools' project continues enthusiastically with students across the school learning all about 'Earth Day' this week which takes place on April 22nd each year.

We have been learning about the importance of investing in our planet and the changes we can make to make a difference. Students have made some

fantastic Recycled art works which are on display in the corridor.

Our Liturgy this week focused on the road to Emmaus and how we know, as the disciples did, that Jesus is always with us.

Wishing you all a restful and hopefully sunny, bank holiday weekend.

Ms K Barry

Head Teacher



## John 10:1-10

Jesus said, "I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock. When the shepherd has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger, but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers."

The disciples failed to understand what Jesus meant. So Jesus spoke to them again: "I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold. All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them. I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: they will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. But I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full."



## Eco Committee

Our Eco Committee have been continuing their work towards 'Eco-School' status and this week all students have been learning about Earth Day on April 22nd. We have discovered the importance of investing in and taking care of our planet and the environment. Students have created some amazing art work out of recycled items for our school displays.



## Nursery

This week nursery have been exploring the topic 'Mini-Beasts' and have recently been discovering different changes that take place in nature. The children have started learning about the Life cycle of a butterfly, viewing our caterpillars each day and discussing their progress. We have also been:

- Listening to a story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and answering questions to reinforce our understanding.
- We watched a short clip investigating the Life cycle of a butterfly and participated in a sticking activity to place the pictures into the correct order.
- We have been challenging ourselves, exploring what symmetry means and have had fun using a mirror to create our own patterns on a butterfly, showing the lines of symmetry.
- Using play dough and a range of resources to make our own mini-beasts.
- Exploring the meaning of length, we completed ordering the worm lengths and extended our mathematical language using words such as 'shortest' and 'longest'.



## Reception



This week in Reception Class, we celebrated 'Earth Day' and learned about why it is so important to look after our planet. We made an Eco-Code for Reception Class and designed some fantastic anti-litter posters.

In Literacy, we have been enjoying reading, writing and drawing about various Fairy Tales, including Cinderella and Rapunzel.

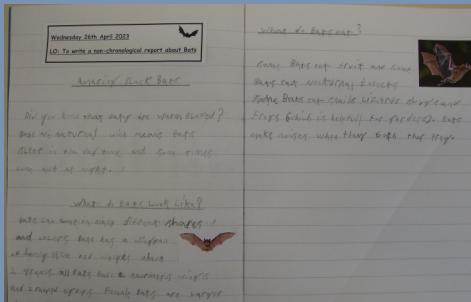
In Maths, this week we continued our learning about 'ten' and 'some more', and independently wrote our own number bonds within '15'.

## Year 2

Year 2 have been learning about living things and their habitats in Science.

We have linked our Science to our English work and have written non-chronological reports about Bats. We carried out our own research into Bats and then wrote informative reports.

We also created our own Bats in Art.



## Year 1



We have been planting Marigold seeds in Science – we linked our planting back to our Eco objectives and discussed how plants become food for animals and wildlife, especially the mini beasts that exist in our school around the Nature Trail. We are using our Plant Diaries to make observations and note down growth.

## Year 3



Year 3 made their own 'Eco Code' posters as part of their work on 'Earth Day'.

## Year 4



This week have been learning about Earth day which is celebrated annually on the 22nd April. We carefully analysed the things we can do to protect the environment, understanding that every small action makes a difference and collectively we can preserve and protect our Planet.

This was further emphasised by The Pope's message on Climate Change—

*“Care for the climate, care for the earth, this is now part of the Church teachings. People around the world are taking up the message and turning it into real action. That is his legacy, and it will endure.”* Pope Francis



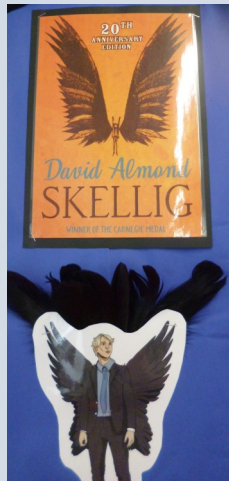
## Year 5

Year 5 have created some amazing Art work for our upcoming Pentecost display.



## Year 6

Year 6 have been reading the novel 'Skellig' and have written diary entries from the key characters for the class display.



## Year 6



Well done to our Year 6 Football champion who won the Epsom & Ewell Youth Football League Cup with Shelton FC Under 11's.

## Stars & Hearts of the week

