



NEWSLETTER



April 26th 2024

Monday 29th	P.E. day: Willow Class Piano lessons for named children Clubs tonight: 3-4pm
Tuesday	CLUB TODAY: Basketball 3-4PM: please bring a change of clothes Woodwind lesson for named children Slippers and Stories for Willow Class children
Wednesday	P.E. day for Beech and Oak Class Guitar lessons for named children CLUB TODAY: Archery 3-4PM: please bring a change of clothes
Thursday	CLUB TODAY: Football 3-4PM: please bring a change of clothes P.E. day for Beech and Oak and Willow Class: CRICKET ACTIVITY MORNING
Friday	Forest School for Willow Class : old clothes/ layers/ long trousers and sleeves Djembe Drumming lesson for Beech Class Today Piano lessons for named children Reverend Sarah leading Worship

Reminders

- THURSDAY: All children will need to be in P.E. kits on Thursday. They are taking part in a cricket session, which we rescheduled from last term. There will be NO P.E. on Friday for Beech and Oak Class – normal school uniform please.
- TUESDAY: Slippers and Stories for Willow Class

Some of the children from Willow Class, will spend 45 minutes in the afternoon with some residents from Lakeview Care Home in our school hall. The residents will read stories, chat and play alongside the children. The residents will return on a weekly basis to allow for all children to take part.

As a Church School we talk about our Values in worship and more importantly, seek to embed them in our relationships and interactions with each other. This opportunity will enable our youngest children to demonstrate the Values and ethos of the school to the wider community.

The research below explains the benefits both for children and the residents.

“ Intergenerational work positively impacts on children. It can foster empathy, boost self-esteem, broaden world views and improve understanding of topics such as ageing and dementia. It can also lay the groundwork for social action and children wanting to make a difference in the world.

Equally, feeling part of the community is very much key to the quality of life for people living in care homes and intergenerational work helps make this happen “

My Home Life England: part of the Intergenerational Challenge for Schools

This week in School:

➤ **On Tuesday** Hugo led Worship and shared the Parable of The Good Sower.

"Jesus tells a story to the crowd. In the story, a sower sowed seed on the path, on rocky ground and among thorns, locations which offered "no hope of a harvest", and the seed was lost; but when seed fell on good earth it grew a hundredfold" Luke 8:8

➤ **On Wednesday** Harriet and Charlie (Y5) attended a Writing Course. They worked alongside the author Kathryn Evans. Charlie has planned the entire plot of his historical story – a very grisly tale! He also shared that it was great fun at breaktime, when he was able to play football with lots of new people. Harriet enjoyed planning her story too, especially the characters. Thank you to Mrs Sargent (governor) and Bernadette (volunteer) for accompanying the children.

PTA messages

- **RAFFLE PRIZES for the quiz.** If anyone is able to donate a bottle of wine, boxes of chocolate, unwanted gift sets to the PTA for the raffle prizes at Quiz next Tuesday that would be wonderful. So far, we have had no additional donations. If you are unable to attend the Quiz, this would be a great way to show your support and involvement.
- **School Uniform** If you are having a bit of a spring clean over the next couple of weeks, please could you bring any unwanted school uniform into the front entrance – I shall place a plastic box. The PTA will then add it to the online store.
- **SECOND HAND uniform** is available on the school store: pta-events.com/singleton

Congratulations to Malachi and Francesca's mum who completed the marathon last Sunday. Hopefully your feet have recovered and you have been left with a great sense of achievement. Well done!

Worship

Music: <https://tinyurl.com/3n2se8cz> Kindness by Ryan Adams

Bible Passage: 1 Kings 17.7-16 Elijah and the Widow

The children responded to the questions:

How can you serve someone with joy in your heart? "lifting heavy items for others, cheering someone up when they are sad, put things away even if they don't belong to you, celebrating other people's achievements. "

How has someone helped you? "someone encouraged me at a sports event when I was worried, someone helped moved a spider because I am scared, dad changed the seat on my bike so I could reach, Year 6 get us drinks at lunch

Golden Book

Congratulations to Francesca (Y1) for embodying the value of Service in her friendships – she has shown a good understanding of ways to help others feel happy and safe – well done! **Congratulations to Spencer** (Y4) for showing maturity and integrity when resolving a misunderstanding within the class – thank you! **Congratulations to Mathilda and Maja** (Y5) who have demonstrated a brilliant learning partnership this week. The impact on their learning was noticeable, especially in their narrative writing – brilliant use of language – well done girls!

Have a lovely weekend –

Theresa Smyth and the Singleton Team