

Friday 27th September 2019

Dear all,

The children are all immersed in their topic about 'Caring for our Common Home' and talking about ways they can help look after our world which is really good to see. Willow and Maple classes took part in environmental workshops at Ocean on Wednesday. They thoroughly enjoyed these and learned about the habitat we have on our doorstep which is rarer than rainforest (Pebblebed Heath), pollinating bees, how the weather is affecting the climate in different countries and all about waste!

On Thursday Beech and Oak classes went to the Maer. The children had a great time with their buddies and the weather stayed fine for them!

Harvest Festival

Next week it is Harvest Festival. We are having a Harvest Festival service in school on Thursday 3rd October at 9.10am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Every year we try to help the families in the local community so we are asking children to bring in a food item which we then give to the Exmouth Food bank. Donations could include: Tinned meat, Cereals, Porridge, Tinned vegetables, Tea bags / Coffee, Milk - long life or powder, Tinned fish, Sugar, Tinned baked beans/ spaghetti, Squash / fruit juice, Tinned rice pudding /Tinned fruit, /Sponge pudding, Custard, Savoury rice, Pasta / noodles / Spaghetti, Pasta sauce, tinned soup, Jelly, Jam, Peanut butter, Honey, Marmite, Washing powder, Washing up liquid, Soap, Shampoo, Toilet rolls or Toothpaste.

On Friday 4th October at 9.30am, years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be attending the Harvest Mass in Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Parents evening Yrs 1-5

Appointments for you to have a meeting with your child's teacher have come home. If you cannot attend the meeting please let your child's teacher know so they are not sat waiting for you to arrive but also please be aware that when lots of parents say they cannot make their time it can be very difficult to try and juggle and rearrange appointments. Also, I have told the teachers they cannot offer appointments after 6 o'clock. Whilst I am aware many of us as parents often work until gone six, it is not fair for the teachers to be asked to stay past that time. The teachers work very hard and in order for them to plan for the next day and have time to see their own family they need to leave at a sensible time. I am aware appointments sometimes run past 6 o'clock and this cannot be helped but please do not ask the teachers for an appointment to start after 6pm. If you cannot make another time it may be possible to arrange for a telephone appointment. Thank you.

Forest School

We would like to thank the Forest School working party, who came in to help clear the area and set it up for the children. We are delighted to report that a super fire was lit in the new fire pit, we cooked breadsticks - bread dough cooked over the open fire on sticks. Staff and children were kept dry for the last 2 weeks with the amazing large tarpaulin; it withstood the downpours!

The forest school area is looking much tidier and the old planting beds are ready for grass seed.

Thank you to parents, children, teachers and governors who joined the working party.

Next week:

Monday 30th September – Cross-Country race at Bicton. Letters have been sent out to children involved.

Thursday 3rd October – Harvest Festival liturgy in school, 9.10am. Everyone welcome.

Thursday 3rd September – Patchwork Parenting group in school 1.45pm. See Sarah Keeping for more details.

Friday 4th October – Harvest Mass in Church, 9.30am, classes 3-6. Everyone welcome.

Friday 4th October – PTA school disco

Best wishes & many thanks for your continued support

Mrs Taylor-Bashford

Headteachers Awards: Cherry – Maizie, Maple – Vince

Bronze Award: Rowan – Jake, Beech – Thomas, George R, Bart

Stars of the week: Oak - Rory, Rowan - Sukie, Sycamore - Jacob, Cherry – Hamish, Willow - Aleksy, Maple - Summer, Beech - Emilia.

Breakfast Club star of the week: Imogen