

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Dear all,

I hope you all had a good half term and enjoyed the non-pupil day. The teachers all had a good day on Monday working with teachers from other schools with a focus on developing reading for pleasure. The children have had a good week at school and enjoyed the Ash Wednesday Service with Father as well as the Pancakes for lunch on Tuesday!

### **FairTrade Conference**

A group of year five children met with other local schools to attend a Fairtrade conference. They learnt how beans are harvested to make chocolate and they heard from Ernest and Sarah, two farmers in Ghana about how they are planting hybrid trees to combat climate change. All the schools who attended were given a sapling Bird Cherry tree to plant at school. The children had a great morning and learnt a lot, but said the best bit was tasting the Fairtrade chocolate! Many thanks to Mrs Greenway and Mrs Delobelle-Shannon for taking the children.



Year 5 children at the FairTrade conference with Ernest and Sarah, two farmers from Ghana.

### **Bags2School**

If you have any clothes for charity please put them in your Bag2School and return by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 9am. The money raised goes to the PTA to provide activities and resources such as the theatre performance and lunchtime play equipment.

### **Coronavirus - Covid 19 – Information for parents**

Devon Public Health have put together a website aimed at residents which brings together all the relevant public links to information about Coronavirus. The link is on the front page of the DCC website and also here for your information. <https://www.devonnewscentre.info/coronavirus-advice-from-public-health-england/>

### **Coming up:**

All week – SEND meetings – appointments will have been issued

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Cake Sale after school, money for books for classes.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day – Children to come in dressed as their favourite book character with the corresponding book to share in class, for suggested £1 donation. All money raised will go towards books for classes.

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March – Gymnastics competition, team from KS2

**Best wishes & many thanks for your continued support**

**Mrs Taylor-Bashford**

**Headteacher's Awards:** Rowan – Shiloh, Cohen, Sycamore – Cattaleya, Ellis, Cherry – Adam, Maple – Jasmine, George

**Gold Awards:** Sycamore – Emma, Beech - Oliver

**Silver Awards:** Oak – Seb, Cherry - Harry

**Bronze Awards:** Willow - Phoebe

**Stars of the week:** Oak – Jude, Rowan – Ethan, Sycamore - Jacob, Cherry – Queenie, Willow – Annie, Maple – Kobi, Beech – Lola

**Breakfast Club Star of the week:** Rowan - Riley

**Lunch Time target this week:** Using good manners