



Autumn Term

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## HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

Dear parents

Thank you to all the parents and family members who came to church to join us in celebrating our Harvest Festival. It was lovely to see so many people supporting our children as they take those initial steps in performing in front of an audience. Building more and more confidence as they move through the school. The gifts that were sent in for Newport Food Bank will be gratefully received I am sure, so thank you once again for those.

We welcomed some visitors to our open morning this week as parents are beginning to visit schools as part of the admissions process. We were pleased to see some existing parents and new potential parents. Our children are the best advocate for our school, it was a pleasure to hear them speaking about what they have been learning about and why Church Aston is a wonderful school to be part of. It always makes me feel very proud of them. Well done everyone.

Children in Class 2 are putting some real effort into their handwriting sessions, and it is good to be able to see the progress they are making with this. In Class 1 there is already a sense of keenness from the children to write the sounds that they have been learning. I have witnessed lots of mark making and early letter formation which is super. I am sure you are encouraging your children with this at home.

We have heard some interesting speeches about why the children would like to stand for School Council. We shall be voting next week so there is still time if your child is interested in representing the school in this way.

We should have an exciting end of half term with Diwali celebrations and Hibernation Day to look forward to next week.

Best wishes

Jenny Griffiths



# IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thursday 20th October—Diwali Celebrations in school

Friday 21st October—Hibernation Day ( See attached leaflet)

Half Term—October 24th—28th Inclusive Return to school Monday 31st October.

7th November—Parent/Carer Online Safety Talk 3pm approximately 30 mins (Further details to follow)

Monday 14th November 2022—Bags to School—See letter attached (Please use your own bags and leave them outside class 1 entrance on that morning only so that they are outside ready to be collected, Thank you!)

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH DATES

Sun 16th Oct 10am Outdoor Harvest Folk Festival (see attached).



### This Week's Winning Team is

# YELLOW



Well done!



**Free swimming lessons for all children ages 5 to 10 in Telford and Wrekin**

The free swimming lesson course of 13 weeks is being offered to ALL children aged 5 to 10 who currently cannot swim 10 meters on their front and back.

**You can enrol by contacting your nearest council owned swimming pool.**

## LOOKING FOR A SCHOOL PLACE SEPTEMBER 2023?

The online admissions application process is now available at [www.telford.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.telford.gov.uk/admissions).

**The following deadlines apply this year:**

- Applying for Reception Year school places to start in September 2023 (starting school for the first time) - **closing date 15 January 2023**
- Applying for Infant to Junior school (Year 2 into Year 3) places to start in September 2023 (current Year 2 pupils) - **closing date 15 January 2023**
- If a child has an Education, Health & Care Plan the closing date is **31st October 2022 for all applications.**



# Once upon a time in Class 1

'Big red combine harvester...'- I expect some of you have heard a lot of that song recently! We had a lovely time performing it at the church on Tuesday, and it was wonderful to see so many of you there to support your children.

We read a version of 'Little Red Riding Hood' called 'Little Red' which has a very different ending- we loved it! We then voted on which version we preferred, ask your child which one won.....

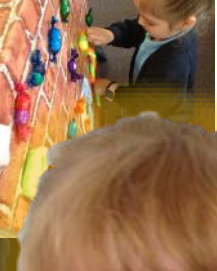
Later in the week we read 'Hansel and Gretel. We have turned our brick house that one of the three little pigs built into the gingerbread house from the story. We made sweets and lollypops and stuck them all over!

In Maths Reception have been counting sounds- perhaps you could practise this at home? Get your child to shut their eyes and count how many sounds (e.g. claps) you make.

Year 1 have been learning about parts and wholes- maybe next time you cut up some fruit or make a sandwich they could tell you all about it.

We have had to throw away several books recently due to water bottles leaking on them, if possible please make sure your child does not put their bottle in the same bag as their books, thanks.

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you next week.



**STAR OF THE WEEK**

**Rewarded for always being super helpful and trying hard in her lessons.**





# Once upon a time in Class 2

It was wonderful to see all the children sharing their Harvest poem and songs. It was lovely to see them bravely stand up in front of everyone in the church and we will be back soon for our Christmas celebrations!

In science we have been focusing on ourselves and what we need to grow and stay healthy. The year 2 children have explored the different stages of the human life cycle, the differences between the needs of human babies and other baby animals,

looked at food groups and discussed which foods belong to each one. The year 1 children have focused on the need to eat, drink and be clean. This week they looked at how important exercise is and how it affects the body.

The year 1 children have been busy looking at pieces of fruit as a whole and cutting it into parts. This will lead into learning in the near future when we will talk about part, part whole models.



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Year 2 children have been learning about bridging a ten, adding one more or less to a two-digit number with 9 in the units. They have seen that when adding 1 to a two-digit number it changes the units and not always the tens digit unless it has a 9 then it becomes the next multiple of ten.

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**STAR OF THE WEEK**

**Rewarded being a wonderful role model around school.**



# Celebrating Success

## REWARDS OF THE WEEK

Well done to all the children that received an award for Marvellous Mathematician, Wonderful writer, hand writer of the week, Reader of the week or Breakfast Club Superstar. Keep up the hard work.



**Class 1**



**Class 2**

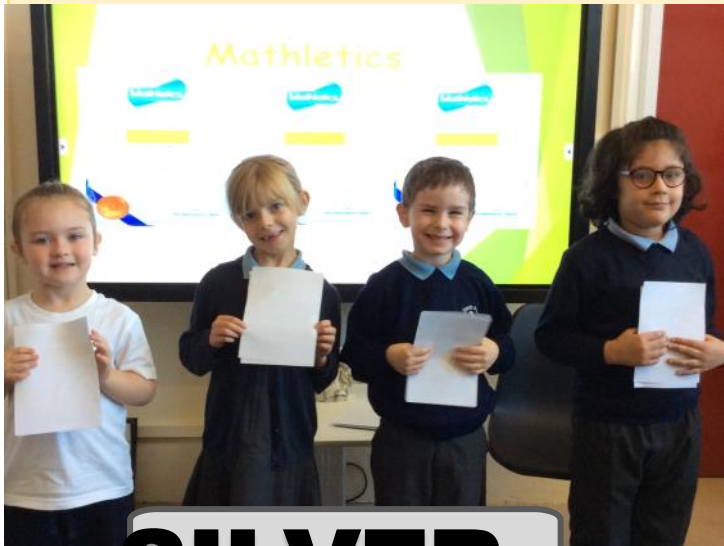


# Celebrating Success

## MATHLETICS



## BRONZE



## SILVER



## GOLD