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Dear Parents,
What a busy fortnight we've had!

HARVEST FESTIVAL

A fabulous harvest display greeted us as we entered church for our annual Harvest Festival. The children thoroughly enjoyed sharing their artwork, performance poem and reflections from their FAB (Faith and Beliefs) Harvest workshops. The vertical grouping is always a winner and truly demonstrates the value we put on supporting each other in our school.

Thank you again for all your generous gifts. Miss Barlow was able to take all the produce to the food bank after our service ~ the year 6 pupils who went with her were interested to see where the food went and how it supports our local community.



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SCHOOL ETHOS COMMITTEE

Our school ethos committee meets half termly. The committee supports the work of the school, ensures we meet our Christian distinctiveness as a church school, helps the school to evaluate our work and acts as a local voice. There is at least one parent representative for each class as well as the FOLS representative and governor. The members of the committee are as follows:

Academy Head	Jill Ryder Jo Woods may also attend in her role as Senior Teacher & the School's number two!
Staff representative with SIAMS/RE & collective worship lead. Staff Governor	Anna Neville.
Parish Rep	John Vinton
FOLS Rep	Kate Burch
Class 1 Rep	Vacancy
Class 2 Rep	Pip Cartmell
Class 3 Rep	Becca Butchart
Class 4 Rep	Una McGovern & Saskia Hogbin

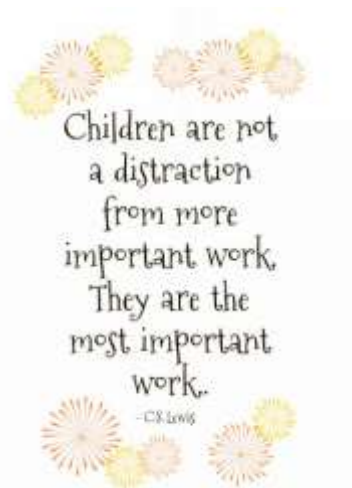
As you can see we have a vacancy for class1. Please let me know if you are interested in joining this committee. In the event of more than one person being interested we will have a ballot. Many thanks.

MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING

At Landscope children's wellbeing is very much at the top of our agenda! In the next five newsletters we will be outlining 'Five Ways to Wellbeing', with some top tips of things you can do at home to support this:

Number one ~ CONNECT

- * Take time to talk about feelings and really listen to your child
- * Share mealtimes and use this an opportunity to talk about your child's day
- * Find activities you can enjoy together as a family
- * Limit screen time



PARKING

I have been asked by our Ethos Committee parent representatives to remind everyone of the benefits of lift sharing ~ both in terms of environmental benefits and of congestion at the beginning and end of each day. It has been suggested that a school bus service might be something of interest to some families. Do let FOLS know if this is the case as this could be investigated further.

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FOLS ~ from Vicky

With planning in full flow and offers of help and assistance being gratefully received I just want to take this opportunity to encourage people to support the Christmas Fair in whatever way they can.

The date is set for December 6th, and all support, in terms of donations and volunteers will be welcomed, the success of the event is totally reliant upon the parents and families of the children at the school. All the money raised will be used for the enrichment of the children's experiences at school. Also Justina and I are new to this whole thing, so we definitely welcome the help!!!!

Also a quick reminder for next term, Movie Night will be taking place on November 16th after school, tickets will be on sale in the playground or at reception at the start of next term. This will be open to all year groups.

LOVE YOUR SCHOOL DAY ♥

The school Eco Committee and Ethos Group would like to ask for your help! We are holding a Love Your School day and need your support to come and complete some jobs in the school grounds and excitingly, beginning to get our new Spiritual Garden set up.

Date: Saturday 9th November

Time: 9.30am-1.30pm to include a hot dog lunch for all workers

Jobs will include:

1. Removal of old basketball posts (van required!)
2. Tidy bottom of school car park, including using a 'chipper' to tackle some of the large pieces of wood.
3. Sweeping of leaves (including car park)
4. Build a seat around the willow tree in the school garden.
5. Dig out the roots of brambles/shrubs in an area designated for a small patio for our spiritual garden.
6. Make a willow fence to screen the pathway into school from our spiritual garden (does anyone have the willow/skills to be able to do this?).
7. Jenny Farrell has already offered to repair existing mosaics in the school garden.
8. Mend a water feature.
9. Lay a patio (if we have the resources by this time).
10. Weed and generally tidy the borders in the playground. Plant spring bulbs here.

Please sign up in the school office to indicate which jobs you can help with and please bring appropriate tools and equipment on the day! We did a clean-up day two years ago with fantastic results, it would be great to have a similar impact this time.

With grateful thanks

Anna Neville, Lucy Field and the Ethos Group and Eco Committee

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YEAR 6 LIFE SKILLS EVENT

Year 6's had a jam-packed afternoon in Totnes at the annual Life Skills event last Friday. With the help of trained experts, the children learnt how to recognise potential danger, deal with emergencies and be socially responsible. The range of topics included fire and safety in the home, internet safety, the dangers of electricity, hoax calls, beach safety and first aid. The aim of the event is to help develop the children's awareness and understanding of potentially dangerous situations, to equip them with the skills to assess situations quickly, to respond appropriately, and to help build their confidence and raise their self-esteem.



PE ROUND UP

All classes have enjoyed Mr Tanner's PE sessions this half term and sadly waterlogged grounds didn't allow class 4 to compete against the other academy schools in this week's tag rugby competition - fingers crossed it may be rescheduled after half term.

Our final total for the Paralympian fund raising event was £1221.02 - a massive thank you and well done to all the children for taking part and for all those who helped to raise this fantastic sum. Staff will be looking at ways to enrich the children's PE opportunities with this money in the coming weeks.

SPORTS CLUBS NEXT ½ TERM

Mondays: Gymnastics for Years 4-6 with Premier Sports

Tuesdays: Gymnastics for Years 1-3 with Premier Sports

Please note there will be no clubs with Mr Tanner next half term as he will be based at another of our Trust school's until Christmas.

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SWIMMING

Next ½ term KS2(classes 3&4) children will be swimming on Friday afternoons at Dyrons - please ensure they bring towels and swim suits (and goggles if required) in a named bag each Friday. We begin swimming on Friday 1st November so do look for a swimming letter which will come home today. Please return attached forms on the first Monday after the half term holidays. Thank you.

A LANDSCOPE WELCOME...

We are thrilled to have appointed two new members of staff this week. Mrs Catherine Monroe will be the new TA working in class three & Mrs Amanda Grant will be taking up the reins in the office. Welcome to them both!

SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

Do you know what your children are using on-line? It's always worth checking what your children are accessing and ensuring it's appropriate

Attendance: (Our school target is 96.8%)		Number of sessions missed per class: (session = a whole morning or afternoon)
Whole school	95%	
Class 1	89.33%	32
Class 2	92.69%	38
Class 3	98.7%	7
Class 4	96.96%	14
Well done to class Class 3 - 98.7%		

ART EXHIBITION AND OPEN EVENING

I do hope you'll join us on Tuesday 29th October~ the children have created some amazing art work for you to enjoy.

That's all the news for now. Enjoy half term.

Jill Ryder.

Open Day

29th October 2019

New parents welcome to join us from 3.30 to 6pm for a chance visit our Art Exhibition and to talk to our Head about what we can offer your child including our 5 Star pledges.

Our 5 Star core offer to your Child

Every child who spends their whole primary education with us will have the opportunity to:

- To perform publicly, taking leading roles at least twice, using the medium of song, dance and drama
- To take part in an annual Arts week and exhibit their work at least twice in a local art gallery or other public space
- Food and farming: To experience local produce from the field to the plate and cook in a professional kitchen.
- To celebrate and value our learning community through enjoying a whole school 'charabanc trip' to the beach for the day - families invited to join us.
- To represent the school at a sporting event.

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