

Our Christian value next term is: Truthfulness



  
**TRUTHFULNESS**  
HOME SCHOOL VALUES

This term we will be focussing in school on the value TRUTHFULNESS. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together.

**TALK ABOUT  
TRUTHFULNESS TOGETHER...**

'I promise to tell the **truth**, the whole **truth** and nothing but the **truth**, so help me God'

In a court of law a witness swears an oath on the Bible or another sacred text, but sometimes in everyday life people find it more difficult to be **truthful**.

Talk together about occasions when complete honesty could cause trouble or be hurtful. For example:

- When a member of your family asks you if you like their new shoes
- When telling the **truth** will get your friend into trouble
- When someone asks what you are thinking but the answer would hurt their feelings

**THINK TOGETHER  
ABOUT WORDS OF WISDOM**

"To be **truthful** with others, you must first be **truthful** with yourself"

Anon



**READ TOGETHER...**  
**A Day That Changed Everything**

It began just as any other day.

Peter the fisherman was mending his nets as he always did.

But then Peter met Jesus. On that ordinary day his life was changed for ever.

Peter was to actually *see* Jesus heal people who were ill, make blind people see again, and turn 5 loaves and 2 fish into a feast for 5000!

Peter became Jesus' follower and friend. "I will do anything for you" he said to Jesus. "Just say the word!"

"One day you will tell people you never knew me" said Jesus, "and then a cock will crow."

"No" shouted Peter "Never, Never, Never!"

Sure enough, life for Jesus did become difficult - difficult and dangerous.

The day came when Jesus was on trial for his very life. He needed his friend to stand by him. But Peter said "I don't know him, I never knew him, I never saw him before."

And at the end of the day a cock crowed.....just as Jesus had said it would.

Jesus was sentenced to death and crucified, even though he had done nothing wrong.

But death could not defeat God's Son! Three days later Jesus was alive again and went to find his friend, not to blame him but to forgive him.

It was a new day and Peter had another chance.

Everything was different!



Bible story based on Luke 5: 1-11; Luke 22:54-62; John 21:15-19

## DATES TO REMEMBER

21<sup>st</sup> July - INSET Day  
22<sup>nd</sup> July - 1<sup>st</sup> September - Summer Holidays  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> September - INSET Days  
6<sup>th</sup> September Term 1 begins

## BIRTHDAYS IN MAY

Happy Birthday to Hammond, Evie, Alexander, Max and Fraser! 😊



## ACCELERATED READER FOR YEARS 2-6

Well done to Lilly, Theo S, Ava-Rose, Louisa, Emily, Jasmine, Beatrice, Nicolas and Finley for achieving their termly reading targets.



## SOCKS OFF

Congratulations to Isla and Poppy who achieved the Socks off Award this Term. Enjoy your socks girls!



## WORM OF THE TERM

Congratulations to Max, Ethan and Theo S for receiving the Worm of the Term! Well done boys ☺



Summer is finally here! This term in PE the children have been developing their fielding and catching skills ready for the cricket season to begin. We are lucky to be so close to the village cricket pitch and we make the most of the glorious weather and space the cricket field affords us.



## ACORNS

Acorn Class have been very busy again this month. We have been writing in the present tense using the popular book, Traction Man as our stimulus. The children have really impressed us with their use of complex techniques in their writing such as the use of alliteration, repetition and onomatopoeia. In Maths, we have been getting to grips with how we measure length, height, mass and capacity - despite the frequent rain showers we have made good use of the outdoor learning area to develop these very practical skills. Early Years have also been busy developing their mathematical and writing skills and they are now well on their way to meeting their end goals for the reception year. This week they have enjoyed playing with our new loose parts obstacle course which allows them to build, climb and work together to make larger structures.

In science we have been exploring coastal habitats and the creatures found in rock pools. We had a fascinating lesson exploring the structures of fish with some trout kindly donated by Bibury Trout Farm. We will develop our understanding of different animals with a look at invertebrates next term.

Acorns have enjoyed over three hours of PE per week this month with the additional PE provided by Mr Witham every Monday. Today we were able to make good use of the sunny weather with the PE lesson held on the cricket pitch. These provided excellent conditions for practising the ever-important fielding and striking skills.

Music lessons continue to provide the children with valuable experiences. The children have really enjoyed their lessons with the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and they now have a much deeper understanding of the elements of a real orchestra. Acorns have enjoyed developing their body percussion techniques as well as experimenting with composition using our wide range of musical instruments.

## OAKS

Oaks Class have well and truly earned their half term break! We have been working incredibly hard in so many exciting areas. Our English work has been out of this world. Literally! We have been writing non-chronological reports on the planets within our Solar System. This required a lot of careful fact finding, diagram drawing and precise planning before we could put pencil to paper. The final reports were a very exciting and interesting read. Our art lessons have taken us through the worlds of some of the greatest artists. From Claude Monet to Jackson Pollock, we have explored painting techniques, colour choices and personal artistic styles. It has been wonderful to hear the children talking so passionately about their own taste in art! The science investigations have continued throughout this month. Last week, we explored and observed the impact of bicarbonate of soda on honeycomb and toffee. This week, we predicted, planned and tested four different types of bread dough to examine the impact of using yeast. Lots of fabulous learning in May. Let's keep it up!

## **MIGHTY OAKS**

During May, the children in years 5 and 6 have been learning how to write non-chronological reports, which culminated in them researching and writing their own pieces of work about creatures during the past week. They have discovered some truly fascinating species and set high expectations for themselves to produce writing of high quality. They have been learning more about the geography of Europe and chose a place to 'visit' virtually, exploring the physical and human features of their chosen destination. In science, we have continued to learn about the classification of different organisms, which included an investigation into the best conditions for fungi to grow - we produced some excellent (scientifically) mouldy bread over a 2-week period, particularly when damp and kept in dark places. If your children refuse to put loaves in the bread bin, they do so with scientific evidence to back them up!

They have all really enjoyed their art sessions with Miss de Carles, experimenting with different painting techniques and creating some lovely pieces of work. Our bee-friendly seeds are now beginning to grow and, with our environmental pledges completed, I have submitted our application to Blue Peter for our green badges. Hopefully, this will be approved and we will receive them before we break for summer.

## **BOURNEMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

We have to say a huge thank you to the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra for the wonderful free resource 'Explore the Orchestra' which they have made available for streaming over the last 5 weeks. All the children in the school have really enjoyed learning about the instruments of the orchestra through the beautiful pieces of music arranged and performed for these sessions. Especially enjoyable was the opportunity to take part in the final performance, joining in with the challenging body percussion accompaniments.