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Spring 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you are all safe and keeping well. It is hard to believe that a year ago we went onto our first lockdown. Throughout the year the children have shown great resilience and have adapted extremely well to the ever changing picture. They have coped with the demands of home learning as well as the restrictions that are in place within the school. It has been marvellous over the past few weeks to have all of the children back in school as hopefully we begin to see the light at the end of the tunnel as we move further towards normality.

As we head towards the Easter break it is a time to think new beginnings, new life and opportunities to see wider family members and friends. Something I am sure we are all very much looking towards. Over the next 2 weeks this is something we will be focusing on as we look at the Easter story. The children will be coming together at the end of the term to share their learning and understanding of the events that took place during Holy Week.

I hope that you all have a wonderful Easter break and enjoy the time with your families without the demands of home learning. I hope that this is a time for rest and relaxation for you all.

Mrs Cristy Nelson
Headteacher

Vision & Values

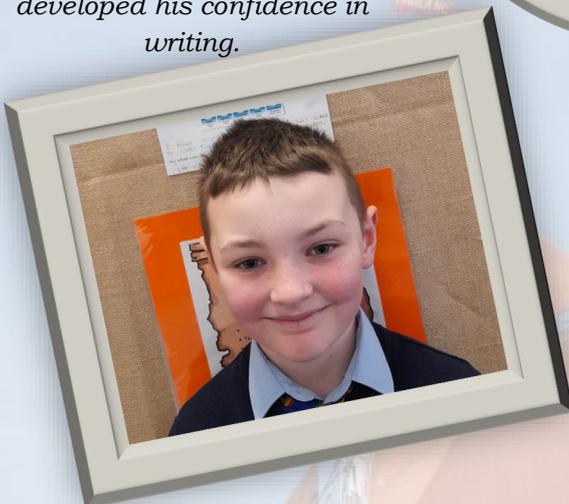
“Life in all its fullness.”

Each Half term we use a gateway to focus our learning. This half term we have been thinking about **EXPRESSION**. Through their learning, the children have been thinking about how they **confidently** present themselves in an **honest** and **insightful** way. **Honesty** being our Church School value.



Rosie from Class 3 recently showed her understanding about honesty when she shared her knowledge about knowing what was right and wrong.

Rhylee from Class 3 has really developed his confidence in writing.

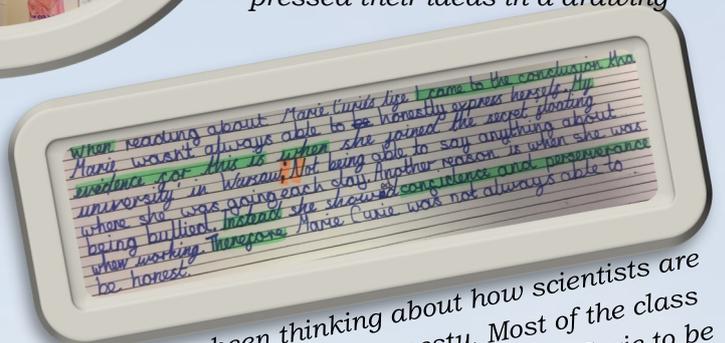


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A group of children from Class 5 confidently expressed their ideas about building a shelter during forest school and listened to each others ideas so they could help each other when creating it.



Class 5 recently reflected on what honesty means to them and expressed their ideas in a drawing



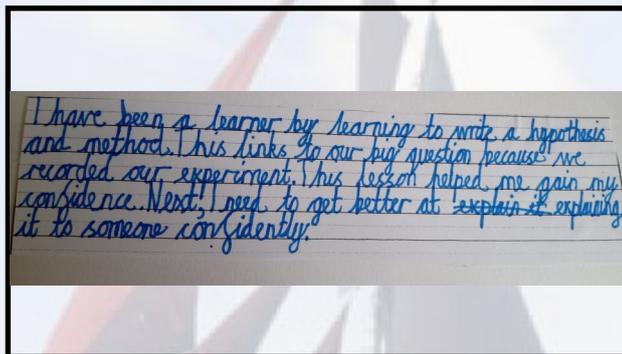
Class 6 have been thinking about how scientists are not always able to show honesty. Most of the class agreed that it was very difficult for Marie Curie to be honest about her work due to the public perception of women in science at the time.

Next half term we will be thinking about **FLOURISHING**. For this we will be thinking about taking **responsibility** for our own **wellbeing**, but also how we can support others. **Responsibility** being our Church School value.

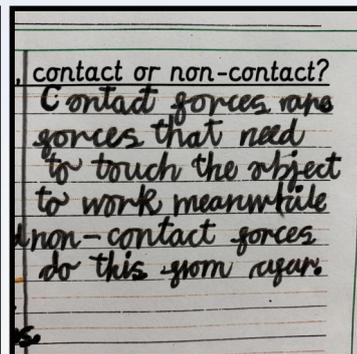
Our Learning



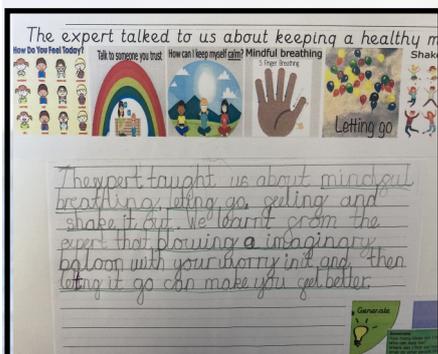
In Reception we have been learning about Space. Lydia made this planets hat.



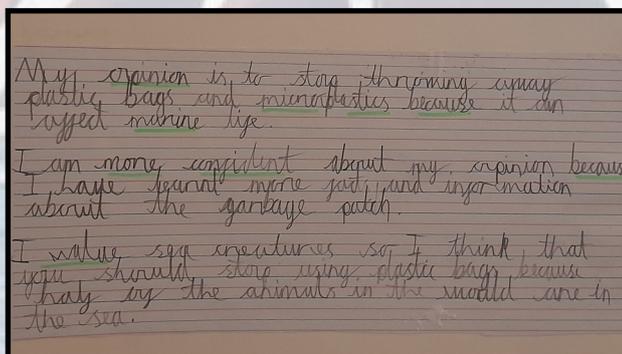
Byron from Class 5 has been expressing his honest reflection on his learning.



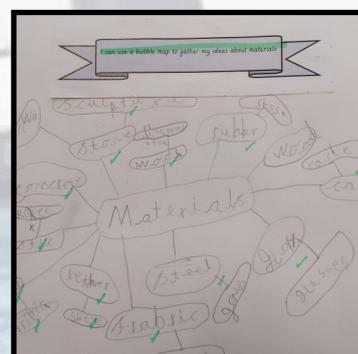
Toby in Class 4 has been learning about forces.



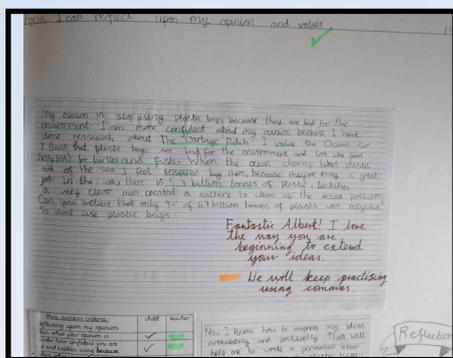
Class 2 have been learning about healthy minds and bodies.



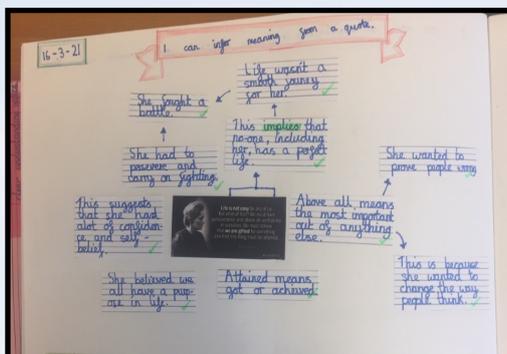
Theo from Class 3 has been expressing his opinion articulately.



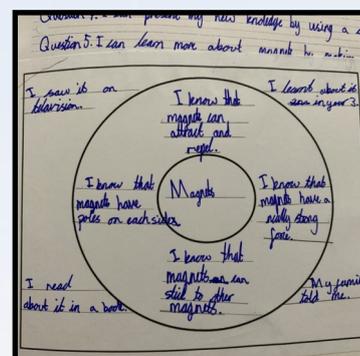
Class 1 have been learning about bubble maps.



Albert from Class 3 has been considering how his opinion reflects his values.



Class 6 have been learning about Marie Curie and the impact she has had.



Class 4 have been learning how to use a circle map.

Pupil Voice

What our children say...

This week our reporters have chatted to other children about what they are looking forward to. They have talked about all of the things that they have really missed over the year and what they want to do over Easter— Here are their thoughts;

'I'm looking forward to going camping with my family and friends.' 'I can't wait to ride my bike to different places.' 'I want to have a sleepover and play football.' It will come as no surprise to hear that most of the class said that what they were most looking forward to 'EATING CHOCOLATE EGSS!'



School Events



Support for Charities



Some children in class 5 completing '100 Somethings'.



Jimmy in Year 4 completing his challenge for Captain Tom.



Archie completed 100 kicks for Captain Tom! Great work

This term we have raised vital funds for 2 amazing charities. Many of our children and families completed '100 Somethings' for Captain Tom's Charity. On Friday 19th March, the children came to school in mufti and red outfits and donated £100.05 to the charity. Thank you!

Future Events & Dates for your diary

Monday 29th March	Parents Evening
Wednesday 31st March	Parents Evening
Thursday 1st April	Break up for Easter
Monday 19th April	Return to School
Friday 23rd April	'World Book Night' PJ mufti and story
Monday 3rd May	Bank Holiday
Friday 28th May	Break up for half term
Thursday 10th June	Return to school
Friday 23rd July	Break up for Summer

Church School Links

Rev. Stephen has been here 12 months now and has really enjoyed getting to know the school community, even if it is only over Zoom! Also a long delayed thank you for all the Christmas cards that you sent to the Church community – they were greatly appreciated and brought some much needed joy.

We are looking forwards to opening our Church buildings again just in time for Easter. You would be more than welcome to join us on Easter Sunday, our services are at 9.30am at All Saints and 11.00am at Saint Mary's. Because of COVID you'll need to book so if you want to come drop Rev. Stephen a line at revsryates@outlook.com.

All the church family will be praying that you have a restful Easter after a long term.

Key messages from us all



Keeping our community safe

Please can we remind all parents to stick to the allocated time slots for drop off and collection. We are working hard to keep the numbers on school site to a minimum to avoid transmission of COVID-19. This is only possible if people stick to their allocated slots.

Please do not arrive at school early.

NHS

If you have any coronavirus symptoms:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

[Get a test](#) and stay at home



Free School Meals

If any parents or carers think they may be eligible for free school meals, even if your child is in KS1, please apply using the link below. Every child on free school meals helps the school as we get extra funding for the children.

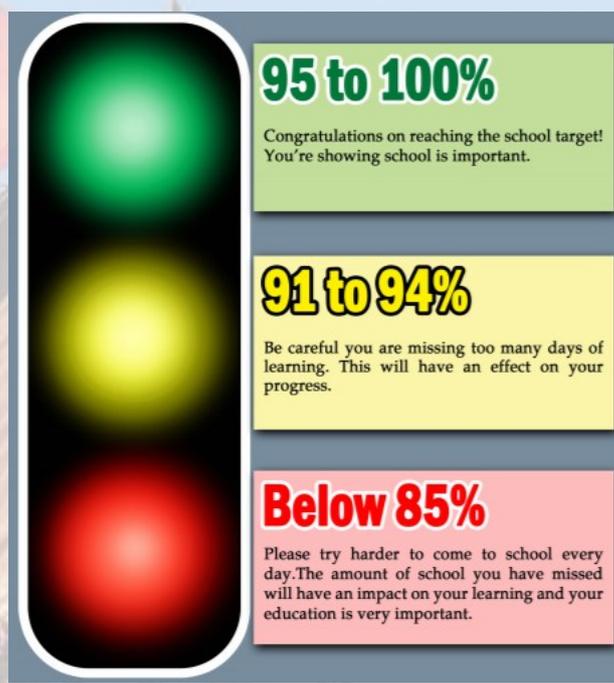
<https://www.torbay.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/fsm/>

If you need a paper copy of the form, please ask the office

Attendance for weeks 08.03.2021—19.03.2021

Whole School	96.54%
Year Group	% Attendance
Reception	97.32
1	97.46
2	99.14
3	97.89
4	98.12
5	91.86
6	93.71

Attendance Matters



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