



STAMFORD ST GILBERT'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Vision

To inspire a love of learning

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to end the week with Celebration Worship. We heard about exciting performances in Dick Whittington, saw fantastic progress in learning and celebrated our sporting achievements at The Borderville and against St Augustine's.

Visits to the school by another Lincolnshire Head Teacher and our External Advisor were extremely positive. Our children demonstrated their superb work ethic and talked with great enthusiasm about their learning. We are so proud of them all.

May I wish you a restful weekend and look forward to seeing you all next week.

DIARY DATES

11/02/2020	Safer Internet Day
13/02/2020	Open Afternoon for Parents 2:30pm-3:00pm- for parents of children who attend St. Gilbert's
14/02/2020	Term 3 Ends
24/02/2020	School Closed for Training Day
25/02/2020	Term 4 Begins

Attendance

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

Each week we announce the attendance percentages for each class, recognising improvement and the class who has achieved the best attendance!

***Congratulations to Caterpillar Class
who had 99.55%
attendance last week.
Well done!***

Foundation Stage

The children in Foundation stage have been very busy this week, building and finishing their boats. They thought very carefully about the designs of their boats, thinking about how the animals would get onto the boats and what materials they would need to use to ensure that their boats would float. It has been exciting to see whether or not their boats floated. If a boat sank, we encouraged resilience and used our problem solving check list to prompt us to think about what we would do differently next time.



Key Stage 1

In Years 1 and 2 we have been learning all about the Christian Value of Compassion. In Art the children have used sketching pencils to draw examples of what Compassion looks like. They have thought really hard about how Compassion can be shown between humans but also towards animals. We were surprised to discover how animals can show Compassion towards us and each other. Please do come and have a look in our Spirituality Area this term.



Key Stage 2

During English this week, Year 3/4 have been continuing their work on volcanoes. We watched a trailer at the beginning of the week to inspire the children when writing a description about Mount Vesuvius erupting. The children were able to describe the volcano standing proudly over the bustling city of Pompeii and the change and destruction to the city that the volcanic eruption created. They used superb word choices whilst imagining how it must have felt to be a citizen of this doomed, Roman city.

In Science, the children were investigating the gases released when different materials react with each other. Using things found in the kitchen cupboard, the children saw the effect of mixing vinegar and baking powder together. It was fantastic to see the children setting up their own experiments and adapting their method as more questions were raised as the afternoon went on.

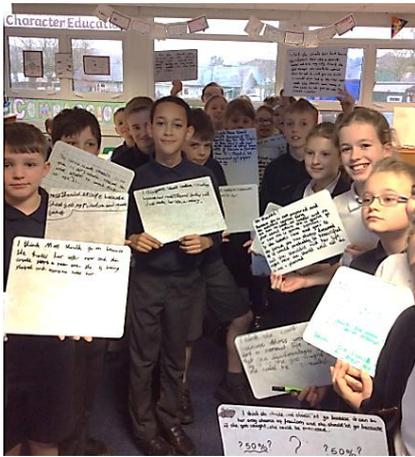


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This week in Year 5 and 6, the children enjoyed becoming scientific inventors! They were tasked with the problem of a warm and soggy lunch, and given a variety of materials to create a new thermally insulated cover to ensure the food inside stayed cold and fresh! The children used ice cubes and thermometers to test different materials to see which were the most thermally conductive. Although there were some surprising results, the classes agreed a bubble wrap cover would not only look great, it would do a fantastic job of keeping your lunch cool!

In English, the drama continues as we explore the options Moss has as she discovers a secret tunnel beneath the tower- her possible means of escape. The children have been learning about the features of a balanced argument to discuss whether they think Moss should take her chance, plan her moves more carefully, or retreat to the safety that she has always known. The children enjoyed taking part in a conscience corridor, to explore Moss' options, thinking compassionately about how she might be feeling whilst faced with her dilemma.

In PE, the children took part in a new 'dance by chance' activity, which they enjoyed immensely! They used the school phone number to create a sequence of actions, danced to the beat of 8. Although everyone had the same actions to include, the difference in their dances was really inventive and exciting. The children are looking forward to developing their ideas next week as they add the next layer of their unpredictable routines!



Football News

What a great way to start the football season! Despite the wet and windy conditions, the boys showed great determination and teamwork in our first game against St Augustine's. Ending the match with a resounding 13-0 victory!



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