



Christ Church School Newsletter 2nd October 2020

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NEXT WEEK—VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

Monday, 5th October	Whole School	Christmas Card Making Day
Monday, 5th October, 9.10am	Reception Parents	Phonics Meeting, <i>school garden</i>
Thursday, 8th October, 9.10am	Years 3,4 & 5 Parents	Secondary Transfer Meeting, <i>school garden</i>

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Reception Class:
Alkeo and Scarlett
Year 1:
Alex and Hannah
Year 2:
Isabella and Ellie
Year 3:
Hector E and Leia
Year 4:
Olivia and Bonnie
Year 5:
Thomas and Violet
Year 6:
Caspar and Willa

Dates for your Diary

October	Monday 12th October–Tuesday 3rd November—Individual Parent Meetings (Please see note overleaf) Thursday 15th October—Virtual Grandparents Day Monday 19th October– Friday 23rd October—Arts Week Monday 26th October–Friday 30th October—Half Term
November	Tuesday 3rd November – Open Afternoon 3.30–4.30pm Wednesday 4th November – Open Morning 8.30–9am Wednesday 11th November – Remembrance Assemblies in the Hall Friday 13th November – Children in Need Monday 16th – Monday 30th November Online Christmas Shop and Elf Auction Monday 16th –Friday 20th November – Times Tables Week Friday 27th November 2.30pm – Autumn Concert goes online

POLITE REMINDER

Please can we remind all parents and carers, that due to the current restrictions, **only children and staff are allowed inside the school building.**

As soon as restrictions are lifted, we will, of course, be delighted to welcome parents and carers back into school!

Thank you to all who are vacating the piazza and the school playground as quickly as possible before and after school. **As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we are afraid that it is not possible to have parents and children waiting in the playground area whilst clubs are in progress.**

We are really grateful for your consideration in this matter. We all want to work together to keep everyone safe and well!



Dear Parents and Carers,

Well it has been a very busy week at school as you can see in this newsletter. Lots of exciting things have been going on.

We have been assessing all the children's learning and looking at where children need to have some extra help.

We already have some parents who have generously offered their time to come in and volunteer with children for extra reading and other support.

Here is Hector's mum helping to make sure all the children know how to cut up their food using a knife and fork.

Next stop etiquette lessons for our older children!
Have a happy weekend!
Mrs Hawkins



Attendance Data Week beginning 21st September 2020

Christ Church			Holy Trinity		
Year Group	Late	Attendance Percentage	Year Group	Late	Attendance Percentage
RKG	0	100%	RCM	1	100%
1EA	3	100%	1MQ	7	94%
2KHMK	0	100%	2JM	9	88%
3CM	1	99%	3JB	5	95%
4NK	2	99%	4CM	7	96%
5ADMK	0	96%	5GBSN	10	87%
6EH	1	96%	6TM	5	84%

Attention all Boy Singers!

Ben Vonberg-Clark who teaches singing at Christ Church is holding an open morning for the London Youth Choir for Boys this Saturday. Please click on poster below if you are interested!



CALLING ALL BROTHERS, NEPHEWS COUSINS, FRIENDS & BOYS

London Youth Choirs are seeking boys who love music, and enjoy singing to join our Boys' Choir and our specialist choir for young teenage boys, our Cambiata Boys' Choir.

ONLINE OPEN DAY

3 OCTOBER 2020

10 am - Year 3-6 | 11.30 am - Year 7-11

FIND OUT MORE
londonyouthchoirs.com

Philosophy For Children



Each week in the newsletter we will pose a question that you and your child or your family can discuss.....remember, listen and respect each other's views!

If you grew up to be famous, what would you want to be famous for?

Cake Sale

Tuesday 29th September

Thank you to all who donated or bought in cakes for the cake sale, kindly organized by Christ Church mum, Natalia, this week. We are very pleased to announce that on Tuesday, £377 was raised for school funds!

However, we had so many cakes donated that we had a second sale On Thursday raising a Further £117 making A grand total of £494!



INDIVIDUAL PARENT MEETINGS



**Monday 12th October –
Tuesday 3rd November**

Parent meetings will take place via Zoom. Please sign up for your 10 minute slot with your child's class teacher, by calling the school office when time slots are open for booking. Time slots can be booked from **8.15am Monday 5th October, please do not call before that time.**

Reception Class

Thursday 15th October and Thursday 22nd October
Year 1

Thursday 15th October and Thursday 22nd October
Year 2

Monday 12th October and Monday 19th October
Year 3

Tuesday 13th October and Tuesday 3rd November
Year 4

Wednesday 14th October and Wednesday
21st October
Year 5

Tuesday 13th October and Tuesday 20th October
Year 6

Wednesday 14th October and Wednesday 21st October

UNIFORM REMINDER!

Please can we remember that children should only be using a school bag to bring in their books, trainers etc. Also children should be wearing plain navy blue coats or school coats red/ blue socks. Uniform items, including scarves, sun caps and long ties are also now available on our uniform order website

<https://www.stitchdesign.co.uk/products-page/>



July 2020 Year 6 Leavers

Two more children who graduated from our Y6 this summer.

Here is Johnny, now at Emanuel, and Joseph, now at Thomas's, looking terrifically turned out in their new uniforms!

Don't forget, if you left Christ Church in the summer term, and would like to be featured in our newsletter, email:

jkelly@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk



Special Fundraising Event for Macmillan

**Non Uniform Day
Monday 28th September**

**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**

Many thanks to everyone who donated to Macmillan Cancer Support. We had a special non uniform fundraising day and each class had a special breakfast of yummy croissants supplied by our kitchen staff. We made a fantastic total of £609.28! Thank you all so much for your kind generosity which will be very much appreciated by Macmillan.



Year 4 Pop Up Workshop

On Wednesday, Year 4 worked with paper artist, Robert Crowther, who showed them how to make pop up books.



"The theme of the workshop was London and animals. We got a big piece of paper and when we opened it up there were different layers. I had a layer of grass, a layer of small animals, then a layer of bigger animals and then some mountains." Bonnie

"We made a book which we could slide bits of paper in and out to look like a vehicle was moving. Mine was a bus going over the bridge. I really enjoyed the day because not only did we learn art and DT, we will be learning about living things in science and so it was good that we got to do an animal themed pop up book too."

Adam

"With the London theme, I did a chariot from the olden days with horses pulling it up and down the road. We also did a pop up of Battersea Power Station. We cut out and stuck on animal shapes which popped out when we open the paper. I did a snake, a camel and a frog." Kai

"In golden time this week we will make a pop up book to send to Mr Crowther as a thank you. To make the animals pop out, we had to cut out a sort of diamond shape in the middle of the paper and we folded the paper so that it popped out when we opened it. We then stuck animal shapes on so that it looked like the animals were coming out of the page. We had a great day, we learned a lot about how pop ups were made." Milo



St Luke's and Christ Church Parish
Magazine



Reminder! We are publishing the St Luke's and Christ Church Parish Magazine on our newsletter page every month.

[Click here for Parish Magazine Page](#)

**PLEASE REMEMBER
TO BRING IN YOUR
WATER BOTTLES
EVERY DAY.**

**ALL WATER
BOTTLES SHOULD
HAVE A NAME
LABEL**



Harvest Assembly Tuesday 29th September



Father Brian led a delightful Harvest Assembly on Tuesday this week for the children in Reception Class and Year 6. There were readings and prayers from our Y6 children and beautiful hymns sung by the children led by our music teacher Mr Dollard.

Years 1,2,3,4 & 5 also had a Harvest offering during their special mentions assembly today.

Many thanks for all your generous donations. We mentioned last week that all donations would be made to the Glass Door charity, for whom we are regular contributors. Unfortunately, due to current restrictions, they were unable to take donations from us this year. Instead, we are happy to let you know that the Kensington & Chelsea Foodbank were able to take our donations.

[Click here to find out more about the work of the foodbank](#)



Year 3 Sandwich Making Skills

In preparation of their sandwich making topic in DT, Year 3 have been practicing their slicing and chopping skills!





Recommended Read



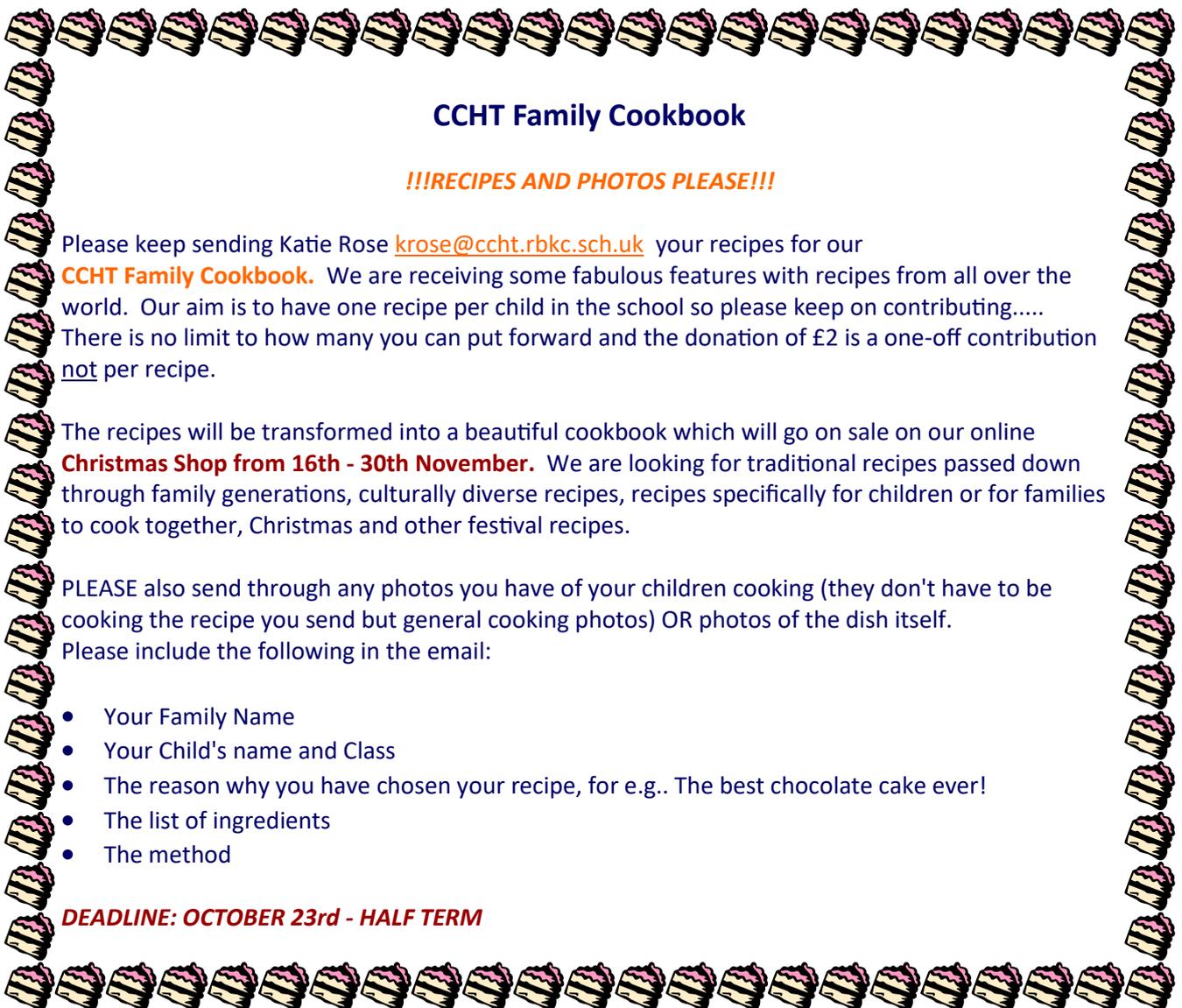
Be Kind (for ages 4-5 & up)

Author: Pat Zietlow Miller **Illustrator:** Jen Hill **Publisher:** Macmillan



It's lunchtime at school and Tanisha has spilt grape juice over her dress. Trying to be kind, the narrator of the book tells Tanisha that purple is her favourite colour, but Tanisha is really embarrassed. The little girl telling the story starts thinking about what the best ways to be kind are: is it listening to her elderly relative's stories, even when she's heard them before? Is it sticking up for other kids when they're being bullied? Perhaps the best way to be kind is by doing little things that build into a culture of kindness that affects everyone.

Miller and Hill's sweet picture book is full of interest, with plenty of detail for children to take in as they read and consider being kind to others. Hill's illustrations depict children of a variety of nationalities in school and within the community and are full of warmth and expression. A wonderful picture book that reminds us that being kind is one of the simplest and most profound things we can do.



CCHT Family Cookbook

!!!RECIPES AND PHOTOS PLEASE!!!

Please keep sending Katie Rose krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk your recipes for our **CCHT Family Cookbook**. We are receiving some fabulous features with recipes from all over the world. Our aim is to have one recipe per child in the school so please keep on contributing..... There is no limit to how many you can put forward and the donation of £2 is a one-off contribution not per recipe.

The recipes will be transformed into a beautiful cookbook which will go on sale on our online **Christmas Shop from 16th - 30th November**. We are looking for traditional recipes passed down through family generations, culturally diverse recipes, recipes specifically for children or for families to cook together, Christmas and other festival recipes.

PLEASE also send through any photos you have of your children cooking (they don't have to be cooking the recipe you send but general cooking photos) OR photos of the dish itself. Please include the following in the email:

- Your Family Name
- Your Child's name and Class
- The reason why you have chosen your recipe, for e.g.. The best chocolate cake ever!
- The list of ingredients
- The method

DEADLINE: OCTOBER 23rd - HALF TERM



Dear Christ Church Parents,

2nd October 2020

Supporting our school by **Standing Order**

Mrs. Hawkins and the staff and governors at CCHT have made an energetic start to the new term, the new school year. They have heavily invested in offering our children the richest possible curriculum and school life experience. We hope you and your children see and feel these benefits today and will continue to do so over their time at Christ Church.

Maintaining this level of support and enhancement for our children is costly and we would like to ask for your support in meeting those costs.

Many parents at Christ Church already generously contribute to the school on a regular basis and we raise a further welcome contribution through our community events. However, last year we missed out on so many of these opportunities and events and many more are still not able to take place this term.

Money raised by Standing Order, creates a more stable funding platform for the school and allows the Senior Leadership Team to budget more efficiently. The school can also benefit from additional funds simply through voluntary Gift Aid.

While we recognise that regular giving may not be an option for some families, we urge you to consider regular contributions to Christ Church by Standing Order at a level that is sustainable and comfortable to you. Whether you can give £3 or £300 per month, **every** regular donation, of **any** size is gratefully received and, as Mrs. Hawkins's fundraising newsletter shows, the money is carefully spent.

Standing Order and Gift Aid forms are attached to this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Katie Rose
Funding Strategy Lead

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GIFT AID DECLARATION

Gift Aid allows us to claim back the basic rate tax already paid on donations by the donor. This means we can claim back from the government on your behalf 25p for every £1 donated, boosting the value of the donation by a quarter and at completely no extra cost to you.

First Name

Surname

Address

Post Code

I would like Christ Church School to treat all donations that I make to the school as Gift Aid donations until I notify you otherwise.

(You must pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax at least equal to the tax that the school reclaims on your donations in the appropriate tax year)

Signature & Date

Notes

1. You can cancel this declaration at any time by notifying Christ Church School.
2. If in the future your circumstances change and you no longer pay income tax and/or capital gains tax equal to the tax the School reclaims you can cancel this declaration.
3. If you pay tax at the higher rate you can claim further tax relief in your Self Assessment tax return
4. If you are unsure whether your donations qualify for Gift Aid tax relief please ask the school or refer to help sheet IR64 on the HMRC website.

Please notify the school if you change your name or address.



STANDING ORDER MANDATE

Please complete your details wherever there is a white box, in capital letters, and return this to the school office, thank you).

To the Manager of bank

Address of your bank or building society, **include post code**

Start date

The sum of £ and thereafter every of the month until you receive notice in writing.

Please quote reference (CHILD's NAME)

The name on my/our account is

The account number is

The sort code is - -

Signature(s)

Date

FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY, DO NOT WRITE IN HERE.

School Account Details:

Please pay	<i>CHRIST CHURCH SCHOOL</i>	
Sort Code	<i>50-30-10</i>	Account no. <i>03390454</i>
Account title	<i>RBK&C RE CHRIST CHURCH SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT</i>	



Friday 2nd October

Reception Class Newsletter

This week we:

- Continued our baseline assessments
- All said our first sentences in Spanish! We took it in turns to introduce ourselves and learnt the colour names:
 - Me llamo - my name is

Rojos - red

Azul - blue

Verde - green

Amarillo - yellow

- Enjoyed our first music assembly. We sat with our shepherds and learnt lots of new songs
- Wrote our class charter. We focused on ways that we could be kind, be thoughtful and be curious. The children have been really impressing me with their wonderful behaviour and their lovely manners
- Learnt how to correctly warm up our bodies with stretches during our dance class. We also began to learn our first dance routine
- Have been burying dinosaur bones in the sandpits and excavating them. We have also really enjoyed cooking up a storm in the mud kitchen

Next week will be the final week of our baseline assessment!

Thank you so much for the great attendance at our class meeting. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask!

Have a lovely weekend ☺



Learning at Christ Church in Year 1

Friday 2nd October 2020

In English this week we have been writing sentences about the characters in 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'. We have thought carefully about how the characters look and behave. We used exciting adjectives to describe the 'mischievous and greedy tiger' and to describe how 'kind and generous' Sophie is.

In maths, we have been adding two numbers together. We have used our knowledge of number bonds to help us add numbers within 10. We have also used the 'counting on' strategy to count on from the greater number. We then created our own addition sentences by drawing pictures and writing numerals.

For Alphabet Code this week we have been looking at the /oa/ code and writing sentences using this code. Next week, we will start the /oo/ code.

In Geography we have been thinking about our journeys to school. We thought about how we travel to school and how long it takes us. We also thought about which features we might see on our way to school and drew pictures to show a map of our journey. In PSHE this week, we looked at different parts of the brain and thought about how these influence our emotions and how we feel.

Next week, we will be writing our own stories in English! We will use adjectives to describe our characters and familiar settings.

Year One Parent Meetings will be taking place on Thursday 15th and 22nd October over zoom. Please sign up for a slot by emailing or calling the school office. I will be sending home paper copies of your child's report in an envelope next week so you have a copy in time for the meetings.

A great week in Year 1!



Learning at Christ Church in Year 2

Friday 2nd October 2020

We had a delicious start to the week with our croissants for our special Macmillan Breakfast and we learnt a bit about the history of the famous pastry at the same time.

In maths we compared three numbers on place value charts and ensured we were using the correct language of *greater than*, *smaller than*, *greatest* and *smallest*. We then recapped how to find the difference and used this skill to be number detectives. We worked out the rules to number patterns and then filled in the missing numbers.

In English, we looked at past and present tense. We then planned our own stories based on *The Big Big Sea*, choosing the characters and events and also how we wanted to plan our ideas. We then wrote some really fantastic stories.

In alphabet code we looked at the /z/ sound and the different codes that make that sound, including z, zz, se, and ze.

In reading we have been continuing to look at *Oliver's Vegetables* and have thought about speech, reading with expression and also inference.

In art we found out about the second of our two artists, Georgia O'Keeffe. We looked at her paintings and learnt about her life. We reflected on how she was similar to Vincent van Gogh and how they were different. Year 2 showed themselves to be real art historians and they had some really perceptive ideas. We then copied parts of her paintings, thinking about what we liked about the pictures.

Next week in Year 2 in English we will be evaluating, redrafting and reading our *Big Big Sea* stories to each other.

In maths we will starting vertical addition.

A very busy week in Year 2!
Have a lovely weekend!



Year three - Week four

Year three have had another good week of learning with a whole range of different skills on show across a range of subjects!

This week, we've been looking at how bar models can help us in maths as we try to break down word problems and see what they're asking us to find out. In English, we've been writing an amazing array of adventure stories. Mrs Hermes has really enjoyed seeing Year 3's enthusiasm for writing and their ability to conjure up wonderful ideas. We had a great time reading our stories aloud to the class at our afternoon story time session in English.

In other areas, we've enjoyed a wide variety of activities in different lessons, from designing healthy sandwiches to learning about the importance of the Torah to Jewish people, thinking about what goes on in our brains when we worry and looking at evidence of what life was like in the Stone Age!

Good questions to ask your child this week are:

What food groups do we need to eat lots of? What do we only need a little bit of?

What kind of things happen in an adventure story? What happened in yours?

What clues are there about what life was like in the Stone Age?

Next week we've got such a lot to look forward to! We'll be continuing to explore how light works in our science lesson with an experiment with shadows, making our healthy sandwiches in DT and examining Stone Age art to see what we can learn from it. We'll be carrying on with addition and subtraction skills in Maths and starting to look at writing different kinds of stories in English.

Have a good rest over the weekend so you're ready for lots of action next week!



Learning in Year 4 at Christ Church

Friday 2nd October 2020

This week has been full of fantastic learning; Year 4 have written their first piece of extended writing, finished the place value unit in maths, and participated in Robert Crowther's pop-up workshop. It's been full on and they definitely deserve a good rest at the weekend! *Perhaps you could ask them to show you some of the mechanisms that they were taught?*



For their homework, it would be great if they could write a thank you letter and I'll send it off to deepest darkest Cornwall. Maths homework revises some of the topics in place value that they've learnt this term – finding 1000 more or less, rounding, partitioning etc.

Next week, Year 4 will be moving onto addition and subtraction, and editing the diaries written this week. Once they are published, Year 4 will move onto their descriptive writing unit.

Dates for the diary:

11th November 2020 – National Army Museum – workshop for Remembrance Day.

Have a lovely weekend-
Miss Kennedy



Learning at Christ Church

Friday, 2nd of October 2020

This week in Year 5 we have started the week with a croissant for the MacMillan Monday morning breakfast and celebrated National Poetry Day on Thursday.

Maths: This week we have gone through the answers to the Arithmetic assessment and thought about the areas of maths which we found tricky.

English: We celebrated National Poetry Day and the theme this year was VISION. We read and wrote poems about Dragonflies.

Reading: This week we have thought about our own questions based on a selection of chapters in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. We practised writing questions and then getting our classmates to try to answer them. Everyone is getting better at giving evidence from the story to support their answers.

Science: This week we brainstormed different types of scientists we have heard of then researched the ways in which they work.

History: We have been drawing and discussing original Victorian artefacts. The children have closely observed bottles, clothes, household items and books. They have written labels and discussed the purpose, materials, age, cost and possible owners of the items.

Next week:

In English, we will continue the narrative unit called The Swing of Change.

In Maths, we will be comparing and ordering numbers as well as doing mixed numbers in our fraction unit.

In Art, we will continue with our topic called Containers and learn about the life and work of an artist called Grayson Perry.

In Science, we will be learning about the discoveries of some famous scientists.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!



Learning at Christ Church

Friday 2nd October 2020

This week in year 6, we have had a brilliant time!

In Maths, we have been ordering and comparing numbers. We have looked at how it is the place in which the digit sits that gives the number its value and is how we can compare the number. We have also started our new topic of rounding and have been looking at how we can place 3 digit numbers on a number line. We discussed how we can use the number line to answer rounding problems by seeing which side of the number line it is closest to.

In English, we have spent some time editing our piece of writing. We looked at how we can read our work out loud to check it makes sense and then make edits in green pen. We have also marked our work against the success criteria and given examples of where we have done each one. Finally, we edited some of our sentences to make them more interesting. We then published our final piece of work on nice paper. Hopefully, some pen licenses will be awarded or re-awarded next week!

In Science, we have been continuing to look at the heart. The children were asked to plan and conduct an experiment to test the effect of exercise on your heart rate. The children were given no clues and so had to come up with the ideas all on their own. They collected data and we will be discussing how successful, fair and reliable their chosen tests were.

In History, we looked at the causes of WW2. The children were put into groups and each group was given a different cause. They had to read, discuss and summarise the information so that they became 'specialists' on the topic. They then were put into different groups with children who knew nothing about their cause. They acted like a teacher and taught the rest of their group what they had learnt. It was a very fun and child-lead lesson!

In RE, we focused on Harvest and reflected on the Harvest Assembly that was on Tuesday.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!