

Barley & Barkway Federation Schools NEWSLETTER

4th OCT 2024

AUTUMN TERM

Faith

Curiosity

Wellbeing

Confidence

Dear Parents and Carers,

We were so lucky to have such a sunny and crisp morning to celebrate Harvest Festival in Barkway church on Thursday. The singing was outstanding and the different parts of the service presented by each year group added up to make a lovely service. Thank you all for joining us and for FOBBS for their refreshments.

For some children in Nursery and Reception it was their first time in church with school. Aria in Year 3 was very proud of brother Rowan telling me it was his first time to sing in church - I'm sure you'll agree they did brilliantly.

Your generous harvest gifts will be shared with a local food bank. Every donation will be welcomed.

A great day too for Forest School with the older children led by Mrs West.

Isaac in Year 2 said "I loved it. It was brilliant making our own obstacle course and then having blindfolds to go in and out of the trees."

We were very thankful for the invitation for a small group of children to have lunch at Margaret House this week. Over the year all the children from Barley will take turns to eat lunch with the residents.

Fingers crossed that the weather stays bright over the weekend for us all.

SHARON BROWN - FEDERATION HEADTEACHER

UPCOMING EVENTS

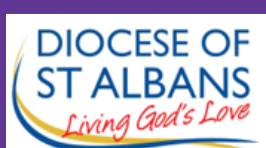
- Thursday 17th October - Maths Presentation for years 2, 3 and 4 - Barley after school
- Half term Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November
- Moonlight Market 23rd November - Children's choir at 5pm in Barkway Church - everyone is very welcome

*"Living Life in All
Its Fullness"*
-John 10



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STARS OF THE WEEK

Children are chosen by their teacher to be Star of the Week and are proud to receive this recognition which we celebrate in our Sharing Assembly.

Stars are chosen for good behaviour, excellent work, demonstrating school values...

NURSERY

This week in Nursery, Jude is our star of the week. Jude made a fantastic Super Tato potato character this week during our superhero theme. He worked really hard to add a mask, eyes, hair and a cape!

Jude has also been making new friends this week and exploring new areas in the classroom.

Well done, Jude!



RECEPTION

This week in Reception, our star is Jake.

Jake worked really hard on a maths activity this week. I was really impressed with his counting and how well he concentrated on the task!

He was really proud of himself when he completed the activity.

Well done Jake!



YEAR 1

This week in Apple Class, Esme is the star of the week for working so hard on her phonics. She has had a fantastic first week learning our new phase 5 sounds. She was able to apply the 'ea' digraph when reading and in her writing.

Esme also read beautiful this week with her new challenging book!

Well done Esme!!



STARS OF THE WEEK

YEAR 2

This week in Hazel Class, Jaxon is the shining star for being a role model to everyone with his positive behaviours. Jaxon is always caring towards others, to other children and to school adults! Jaxon uses kind polite words and will always offer to help if he hears anyone struggling with something, from talking through a work task to helping carry their things! Thank you so much Jaxon for reminding us everyday how we should all treat each other!



It was 20 past 7 at night, Mini Rabbit and his Mum were preparing a cake. They were making a berry cake. Mini Rabbit REALLY LOVES berry cakes! It's his favourite type of cake. Mummy Rabbit said 'We have no berries' NO BERRIES! said Mini Rabbit. He ZOOMED out the door in a flash!

M other Rabbit was feeling worried because he went over the huge bridge. What a Silly Rabbit!

YEAR 3

This week in Beech Class, George is our star of the week. We have been reading the book Mini Rabbit Not Lost and George wrote the story using adjectives, verbs, speech and conjunctions.

Well done George. Your story entertained Mrs Porter.

YEAR 4

This week, our star of the week is the whole class for fantastic reading and prayers during our Harvest Service yesterday. We were all feeling quite worried about reading aloud into the microphone and had practised them in school. I was very proud of how confidently they all read their parts in the church.

Well done Year 4!



FOBBS FUNDRAISING

HARVEST FESTIVAL

At the Harvest festival on Thursday, which was held at St Mary Magdalene Church in Barkway, our FOBBS team managed to raise a lovely £55 from selling refreshments.

A huge thank you to everyone who came along and helped us raise some money, and to the FOBBS team for always supporting the school with their fundraising.



The FOBBS team has recently purchased, for the Federation, a pull-along wagon which will be used for transporting any equipment or items that the children may need to use at Forest school.



AN ACTIVITY THIS WEEK IN YEAR 2

Year 2 are really enjoying the book *How to Make Friends with a Ghost* by Rebecca Green. The book is very funny and we recommend it to everyone!

The Year 2 authors will be writing to inform and entertain, writing instructions for how to look after a ghost and how to be a good friend.

To encourage the young authors, they had an opportunity to make their very own ghosts to write instructions about. The children named their ghosts and then gave each other verbal instructions for how to look after a ghost ahead of their writing.

