

# Bishop Winnington-Ingram

## Church of England Primary School

# Newsletter: Week 28

### Our Vision - 'My Cup Overflows' Psalm 23:5

*A community that gives each child an outstanding spiritual, academic and practical education and instils an awareness of the overflowing joy, love and peace that comes from God's love for us, so that they are able to achieve their potential and truly experience 'life in all its fulness.'*

*John 10:10*

## Update from Mrs Rodenas

Welcome back after what I hope was a wonderful Easter for you and your family.

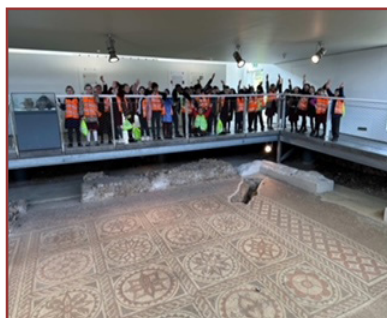
We had an exciting visit this week from Councillor O'Brien who came to visit our school. She was very impressed with her warm welcome into our school and the behaviour of all children. We toured our school and spoke about all of the wonderful things are children are learning this summer term.



Years 1, 3 and 5 have started the summer term with Forest School and have enjoyed digging in mud, making ramps with wood and creating tin can towers. Year 3 went to visit Verulamium Museum and had a very busy Roman day! They looked at different artefacts and even dressed in togas!



I would like to take the opportunity to inform you that Mrs Morgan, our wonderful SENCo who works at BWI and Holy Trinity, has also become one of our Assistant Headteachers alongside Mrs Stone. I know you will join me in wishing her well in her new role.



Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Rodenas

### Notices

- Please note that Colham Catering have reintroduced sandwiches as an option for the children at lunchtime. On smaller devices, the option is at the bottom if you scroll down.
- Children are now able to wear summer uniform. Teachers will send a class dojo message about any incorrect uniform. Please check our website and uniform policy for more details.
- You should have received a message on Class Dojo reminding all parents and carers not to park in the flats adjacent to school. Please respect our neighbours and think carefully about where you are parking whilst dropping and collecting children.



## Dates for the diary

- Please check our website for any updates to our programme of events
- 3rd May** - Year 1 & 2 Scooter training
- 9th May** - Class Photos AM
- 9th May** - PA Summer Discos - tickets available now
- 17th May** - Reception trip to Odd's Farm
- 22nd May** - Year 5 assembly 9.00

Remember to follow us on our new Instagram channel!



## Attendance Champions!

1. Explorers	99.0
2. Adventurers	98.3
3. Pathfinders	97.3
4. Discoverers	96.9
5. Investigators	96.2
6. Groundbreakers	93.9
7. Trail Blazers	90.7

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### Nursery

This week in Nursery we've all settled back into our classroom routines. Our story this week has been 'The Snail and the Whale'. We've been learning all about mini beasts and have especially enjoyed going out searching for Mini beast and creatures!



### Adventurers

This week we have focused on our new English book of 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers. We have also had a focus on science and have investigated items that are magnetic. We have also been on a bug hunt and have begun looking closely at our outside learning area.



### Discoverers

We have started reading our new book for English, 'The Comet' and writing sentences to describe Nyla's feelings about moving home. In our Science lesson, we have been sharing what we know about plants and planting our own beans.



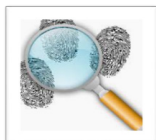
### Explorers

It has been lovely welcoming the Explorers back this week. In English we have started our new text, 'The Friendship Bench.' In Science, our new topic is 'Plants,' where we are testing the best conditions in which plants need to grow.



### Investigators

Investigators had a great time finishing off their Roman topic with their trip to the Verulamium museum this week. In school, we also got stuck into our new humanities topic in Geography by learning about latitude and longitude.



### Pathfinders

Year 4 have been continuing their work on fractions this week, adding and subtracting fractions as well as representing them visually. They have also been investigating what pitch is and how it can be controlled and changed.



### Groundbreakers

It was lovely to see Groundbreakers again on Monday. In Maths, we have been reading and interpreting tables and data. In Science we started our new topic on properties of change, our first lesson was on the hardness of different materials.



### Trailblazers

This week we explored coding in computing. Within RE we have begun our topic of Sikhism, we have learnt all about kirpans and why they are carried.



## Thought for the week

...whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant... - Matthew 20:26.



### Something to think about

To be Christ-like is to serve others. Service can be an individual act of kindness or selflessness. Even small acts in the service of others can make a tremendous difference. Can you think of a time that someone's willingness to help had an impact on you?

Of course service is not only an individual act. The Christian commitment to serving others has the power to change structures and systems. In this passage in Matthew, Jesus makes clear to James and John that in his kingdom the usual hierarchies will be upended, familiar patterns turned on their head. This

presses us to ask questions about the structures of status and power that surround us today. What would our world look like if the service of others was at heart of our policies, economies and institutions?

### Something to do

Reflect on the structures that shape your life - this could be your church, your family, where you work or study, the country you live in and its leaders. What opportunities for service are available to you in these spaces? Think about what in these structures and communities needs to be re-imagined to allow people to better serve one another.

### Something to pray

Jesus, you came not as powerful ruler but as a servant. You placed yourself amongst those at the margins.

Help us to live out your call to service. Help us especially to serve the poor and those excluded from power. Help us to work together for change that we may better serve one another.

Amen.





## **Make a Difference! Be a Volunteer at St. Martin's Toddlers Group!**

### **Do you love seeing toddlers laugh, learn and play?**

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to join our friendly team on Fridays, 9 am to noon  
You can either volunteer weekly or on a rota every 3-4 weeks

#### **What you'll do:**

Help set up and tidy away toys and equipment

Supervise playtime, ensuring a safe and happy environment

Assist with arts & crafts activities

Chat with parents and carers, helping to create a sense of community

#### **What you'll gain:**

A fun, rewarding experience, making a positive impact on young children

The opportunity to meet new people and build friendships

Training and support from other volunteers

#### **We are looking for:**

Kind, patient and reliable individuals

**If this sounds like you, we'd love to hear from you!**

Contact Gill at [stmartinsruislip@btconnect.com](mailto:stmartinsruislip@btconnect.com) or phone 01895 625456 for more information