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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE



Dear Families,
Thank you for your generous Harvest donations in support of One Can Trust. The charity will be hugely grateful, as will those who will benefit from our collection. Your support for Year 3's Courageous Advocacy project is also appreciated, thank you.

It is hard to believe that we find ourselves at the end of the first half of the Autumn Term - time flies when you are having fun! Next half term will be really busy in the lead up to Christmas, with lots of exciting festive activities to enjoy.

It is looking like the weather has finally turned and it is feeling rather autumnal outside. Please ensure your child brings a named raincoat to school every day so they can go outside in light drizzle to enjoy some fresh air at break times.

Wishing you all a fabulous half term break full of fun and rest!

Thank you for your continued support of our school.

Mrs Beverley Accastello
Headteacher

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CELEBRATE • INFORM • CONNECT

ATTENDANCE

Thank you to the families who arrive on time to school every day. This ensures the children are starting their learning promptly each morning. Lateness disrupts the learning of all children so please try to arrive before 8.45am.

Year R	94.8%	Year 4	93.5%
Year 1	89.6%	Year 5	92.5%
Year 2	93.3%	Year 6	91.8%
Year 3	96.4%	Total	93.5%

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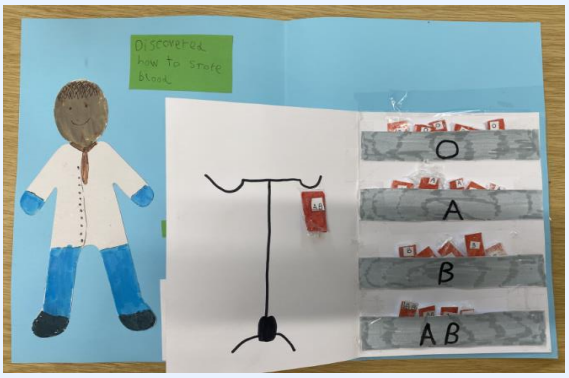
Learning across our school

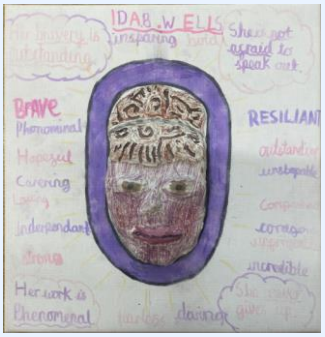
BLACK HISTORY MONTH HOMEWORK

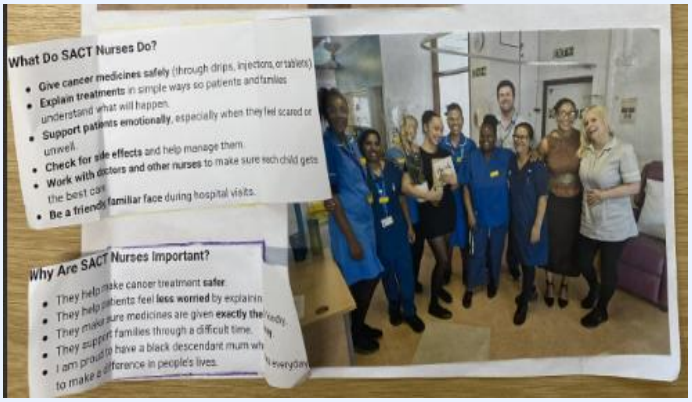
The staff and I were really impressed by the quality of the homework produced across the school. The children's hard work and creativity was fabulous, celebrating inspirational people from our local community and those from around the world, whose work and talents have made a huge difference to the lives and opportunities of others. Thank you to the children and families for their enthusiasm and commitment to this learning opportunity.

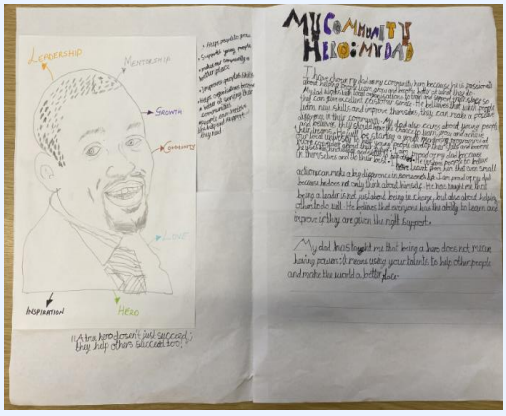












I wanted to share the following extract from Daniel's work about his community hero… 'A true hero doesn't just succeed, they help others succeed too. Being a hero does not mean having powers; it means using your talents to help others and make the world a better place.'

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Celebrating success

CLASS LEARNING



What a busy half term we have had! Reception children have settled brilliantly into school life and are now really familiar with our routines. Year 1 enjoyed inviting families to a tea party and were delighted that, just like the story, a tiger came to tea! Year 2 have been sewing fabulous t-shirts for Paddington and Year 3 have been learning about the Stone Age and Iron Age. Year 4 have been enjoying their Anglo-Saxon topic and Year 5 have been busy with their 'Who Let the God's Out' cross curricular work. Year 6 have been reading and learning about Cogheart. Well done to the children and staff for all their hard work!

STAFFING UPDATE



Miss Johns is having a very exciting half term - she is getting married! I know you will all join me in wishing her a wonderful wedding day and a long, happy marriage full of love and laughter. Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Wakefield!



I am sad to share that Mrs Wren-Foster is leaving HWCE to join the team at her son's school. Thank you, Mrs Wren-Foster, for all your hard work and good luck in your next adventures. We will miss you!

PARENTS EVENING

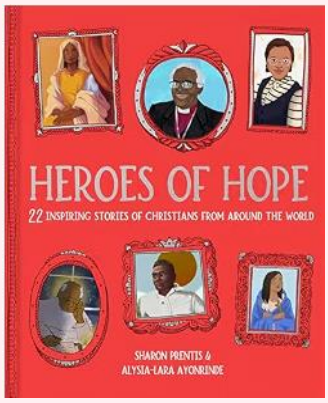
The teachers are looking forward to sharing all your children's fabulous achievements and next steps in their learning during the parent teacher consultation meetings on Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th November. Please book your meeting using the online system and remember that parking for parents evening will be available from 4.30pm onwards on both days.

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Faith, values and wellbeing

HEROES OF HOPE



The school has been gifted the book 'Heroes of Hope' from The Church of England. This book celebrates the achievements of Christians of Global Majority Heritage from across the world who lived out their faith and made a positive difference in their communities and beyond. It contains 22 stories of inspiring Christians.

What a great book for demonstrating how people from around the world have lived our school vision.

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CLASS ASSEMBLY DATES

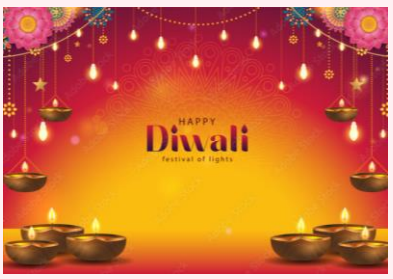
Throughout the academic year, each class will have the opportunity to lead a Friday worship and we would be delighted if parents and/or carers can attend. Please save the date of your child's assembly:

22.01.27 – Year 5
05.02.27 – Year 3
12.03.27 – Year 2
21.05.27 – Reception
28.05.27 – Year 4
02.07.27 – Year 1

Please join us if you can from 2.30pm - 3pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

HAPPY DIWALI

To all the families and members of our community celebrating Diwali on 8th November, we wish you a wonderful and joyful celebration filled with light, happiness and togetherness. Happy Diwali!



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Safeguarding and Community

SCHOOL CENTRED INITIAL TEACHER TRAINING

Chepping View Primary Academy SCITT

Chepping View Primary Academy SCITT is the only primary specialist teacher training provider in Buckinghamshire. They offer a 1 year, supportive, nurturing route into teaching.

If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a teacher, please visit www.cheppingviewscitt.com

THE ENLIGHTENED PARENT

A reminder that the school receives a monthly safeguarding newsletter from The Enlightened Parent, which shares updates and advice on a range of issues including online safety, the use of AI, supporting your child's emotional wellbeing as well as lots of helpful tips. These can be found on the safeguarding section of the school website.
The Enlightened Parent Safeguarding newsletters

PE KIT FOR AUTUMN 2

Timetables will be changing after half term. Please check this list to ensure your child is coming to school in the correct clothing next half term.

YR – Wed and Fri
Y1 – Thurs and Fri
Y2 – Mon and Tues
Y3 – Mon and Tues
Y4 – Wed (swimming and Forest School)
Y5 – Thurs and Fri
Y6 – Tues and Wed



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Dates and useful information

FRI 23 OCT	Break up for half term - 3.15pm
MON 02 NOV	School reopens for 2nd half of Autumn Term
WED 04 NOV	Year 1 Zoolab Visit Cake sale Reception, Year 3 and Year 5
FRI 13 NOV	Children in Need non-uniform day - £1 suggested donation
TUE 17 NOV	Parents' Evening 3.30pm-6.30pm
WED 18 NOV	Parents' Evening 3.30pm-6.00pm Year 2 Fire Station trip

LATER DATES

- Fri 20 Nov - Non uniform day
- Thu 26 Nov - Christmas performance at King's Church
- Sat 28 Nov - Friends Christmas Fayre

USEFUL LINKS

Website: www.hwce.co.uk
Calendar: News & Events → Calendar

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