

St. Nicholas Church School

Friday 4th April 2025



As we come to the end of our second term, I want to say a huge thank you to all of the staff, parents and children at school for their hard work and dedication. It has felt like a long term, but we have a huge amount to celebrate.

We have been reflecting on compassion this term, and we have heard stories of people from a range of faiths and backgrounds who showed compassion on others, who dedicated their lives to help those less fortunate than themselves, who faced difficulties for the sake of others and those who showed and received forgiveness. We finish with the story of Jesus on Good Friday and Easter. For Christians, this is the ultimate story of compassion as He gave Himself so that they could be friends with God.

Dragonflies' story

Last week we heard Dragonflies sharing their own version of Jack and the beanstalk. They have been writing this as a class, learning the story together and using their writing skills to tell the whole story. They are rightly very proud of their efforts!

Library activities

Please see attached information about free Easter events in Milbourne Port Library.

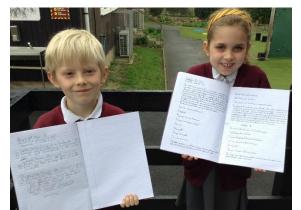


Celebrations

	Dojo winners	Dojo runners up	Star worker	Role model
Hedgehogs	Ronny and Maisie	Maddie and	Scarlett M	Mckenzie and
	•	Summer		Ronny
Ladybirds	Adam, Lily-Rose	Mia, Albert, Alfie B	Ana, Ky and	Mikey and Harriet
-	and Ava	and Curtis	Archie B	
Butterflies	Milo	Daisy	Charlie	Aubrey
Dragonflies	Charn	Ada	Jessica, Isabelle and Anaya	Aurelia

Attendance award: Well done to Ladybirds for the highest attendance this week with 98.3%!

It was also great to hear from Ky and Archie B about their achievements in football and well done to Amy for moving up a martial arts grading.



Ladybirds writing

Ladybirds have been working on their descriptive writing, using their book 'Stig of the Dump' as inspiration. They have been working on adding adjectives and varying the beginning of their sentences.

"One crisp summer morning when the sun was rising in a pink cloudless sky, you could see crispy black baseball shoes gallop through the dew drop grass and flakes of wood chippings and mud."

-Ana

"In the dusty dump on a Tuesday, the Snargets were

making a rusty shack out of ironing boards and soaking wet wood."

-Archie

Subject focus- RE

Learning to stand in somebody else's shoes, to see through their eyes, that's how peace begins. And it's up to you to make that happen. Empathy is a quality of character that can change the world.

- Barack Obama

RE is a key subject for understanding the world and becoming global citizens. Understanding the beliefs and practices of others helps us to build empathy and interact positively with people that we meet.

Children are taught about the different beliefs of people from key faiths across the world, including Humanism. They learn about beliefs and practices that are features of different faiths and are encouraged to ask questions and



relate those practices to their own lives, as well as making links between different faiths. Children will build their knowledge as they move through the school, often revisiting faiths that they learned about in the younger classes to focus on different aspects of these faiths.

To help your child model showing an interest in different faiths, as well as a tolerance and understanding. Seeing people with outward signs of faith such as wearing crosses or particular styles of jewellery or clothing can be a positive start to a discussion.

Diary Dates

Friday 4th April- Easter Service in the church- all welcome

Monday 7th April- Tuesday 22nd April- Easter Holidays

Wednesday 23rd April- Start of Summer Term

Wednesday 23rd April- Friday 25th April- Year 5 residential.

I hope that you all have a lovely Easter and a restful break and I look forward to seeing you all on the 23rd April.

Mr Pavey