



Our value for the month of September is "Honesty".

"Better to have little and be fair than to have too much and be dishonest." Proverbs 16:8

Telling the Truth

We played a St. Michael's version of 'Would I lie to you' with a panel deciding whether the facts I presented were the truth or a lie. They did really well at guessing and working out the answers. Ask the children to tell you about the Mayor of Bradthorpe Bridge and his wish to build a fountain of milk. However, he was let down by his townspeople, as nobody had the courage to tell the truth.



Honesty is best, lies will be revealed in the end.

The Great Wall of China

Cherry Class (Year 2) have been enjoying learning about China. This week the children found out about The Great Wall of China and they tried to build their own version of it. They certainly look pleased with their efforts!



Beech Class (Year 5) Visit to Church



On Tuesday of this week Beech Class walked over to the Church and were met by Dominic (Assistant Curate in the Welwyn Team), who talked to them about St Michael. The children explored the Church and grounds, sketching images of the saint.



Science in Elm Class (Year 4)



Elm class set up some unusual experiments in science this week! The children chose a range of materials to investigate including caramel, glue, butter, yoghurt and chocolate. The task was to observe the rate at which materials melt and the pupils enjoyed prodding the different



substances to evaluate changes in state. They had a fun, if sticky, time! Can you guess which material melted first?

Safeguarding

We had a fire drill this week and because of this, we are reviewing some of our systems and practices. From this Monday, we would like all parents collecting children during the school day or bringing them in later than the register, to report to the school office, where there will be a sign in sheet. We will no longer be using the visitor's book beside the hall. This will be only for visitors.

The Friends

Please come along and join us this Tuesday 3rd October, 7:30pm in the school hall, for cheese and wine, followed by the AGM. The committee would really appreciate your support this year and have many events already planned this term. However, they want new ideas, new faces and Class Reps to help them continue to support the school. Many of you will have heard on the news how much schools are struggling with lack of money for even basic resources. We are incredibly lucky at St. Michael's to have the support of The Friends to provide your children with community projects and events, as well as helping the school to purchase expensive resources. Please show your support, even if you cannot help in other ways.

Walking Bus

It is with regret that this service will no longer be available, but we will let you know if the situation changes. A big thank you to all who have helped with the walking bus this term, especially Mrs McGuiness. Please do still use the village hall to park in and walk to school.



St. Michael's Woolmer Green C of E School

Autumn Term News



Week ending 29th September 2017

Our Value Tree

We have started to put up leaves on our new tree in the hall. We had some whole school leaves to celebrate the positive start to the term and this week we had a few children rewarded with a leaf for their positive attitude at lunchtime and demonstrating our school values; Jake, Amy, Megan and Matilda.

Harvest

Our Harvest Festival will be at the Church on Wednesday 11th October at 2:30pm. Beech Class (Year 5) will lead it and we would like to support a few different causes this year.

We would like Oak Class (Year 6) to decorate a small box and provide a harvest gift of food or fresh flowers for the elderly folk in Woolmer Green. They will deliver these on Thursday.

We would like Reception and KS1 to bring some tinned food, packets of tea etc. for the local food bank, which St. Michael's Church supports and Years 3-5 to bring in a donation of money for the Bishop's Appeal.

We thought it would be good at this time of year to think of others and support a local, as well as an International charity.

Book Fair

This begins today in the library next to Oak Class. It will be open after school, until Tuesday. Please come along and see the variety of books on sale.

Sycamore (Reception)

This morning Sycamore Class had their photograph taken for the Welwyn and Hatfield Times '1st Class' special issue. This will be in the paper in a couple of weeks' time. We will let you know the date, so that you can look out for it.

Playing on the Field

The field is getting quite muddy now, but is still sometimes useable at lunchtimes, with appropriate footwear and clothing. KS2 children can bring in old trainers and jogging bottoms to put over their uniform, to avoid muddy knees and trousers/tights.

Secondary Transfer

I have been hearing about the different schools our Year 6 children have been visiting. Please remember the deadline for all applications is **31st October 2017**.

Parking Moan AGAIN

Please, please park with consideration to our neighbours. Last week some elderly villagers were prevented from leaving the allotments near the Church, as cars were blocking the entrance.

Good Work Assembly

Congratulations to the following children, who shared their work in Thursday's assembly. Do come in and see their work on display at the front entrance. The work will remain up for a week.

Willow: Mia
Cherry: Charlie
Redwood: Lucas & Tim
Elm: Oliver & Unathi
Beech: Gracie
Oak: Jovi & Amelia

What's On:

29.9.'17-Book Fair until Tuesday (3 days)
3.10.'17-The Friends AGM 7:30pm for 8pm start (cheese and wine)
5.10.'17-Tag Rugby Team Festival
6.10.'17-Photos (individual and siblings)
Girls' Football Team Festival
11.10.'17-Harvest Service at the church 2:30pm
20.10.'17-Mufti Day for sweets (Friends)
23.10.'17-Half Term
30.10.'17-Pumpkin Carving Compt. (Friends)
3.11.'17-Quiz Night 7:30pm (Friends)
20.11.'17-Jack and the Beanstalk (Friends)
24.11.'17-Mufti Day for bottles for the Winter Wonderland (Friends)
29.11.'17-Consultations Years 1-6
30.11.'17-Consultations Year 1-6
2.12.'17-Winter Wonderland (Friends)

Attachments:

Datchworth Girls' Rugby Club
The Friend's Newsletter
Adverts for AGM and Pumpkin Competition
Governor's Newsletter
Advert for our Open Morning