



October 21st 2022

Dear Parents,

The half term has passed us by in a flash. It seems as though we have only just returned from the summer break and already the dark nights have arrived, the leaves have turned brown and are falling from the trees, the chill of winter is in the air and now it is time to rest and relax ready for the hard work ahead next half term.

Year Two

Exciting times this week as we saw the Great Fire of London spread across our playground. The children had made fabulous representations of houses which we then put together to make the City of London. Watching how the fire spread was fascinating – the wind was super strong. Thankfully we had Mr Short on hand to put out the fire and keep us safe.



Harvest Festival

Year Four presented a wonderful assembly this week all about the festival of harvest. They taught us why harvest is celebrated and where the tradition dates back to. They were eloquent and vocal; it was a true pleasure to watch the assembly. We also had wonderful singing from the other year groups.

Thank you to all of the families who have donated food to the harvest. It is much appreciated and will make a huge difference to many families who are struggling.

Times Tables



If you have looked at our website recently you will have noticed that we have our rolling numbers on there up to 12x12. Rolling numbers are a series of chants to help the children learn their times tables off by heart. Times tables help us in many different areas of mathematics and so it is vital that the children learn them off by heart.

This week we had our Times Table Shoot Out where pupils from years 4, 5 and 6 challenged each other. They were so fast! Big shout out to Head Boy Mujtaba who was the fastest 'times tabler' I have ever seen and an honourable mention to Rizwan who was a very close second. Huge thanks to Mr Wheldall who arranged it all and was exceptionally well suited to the role of game show host!

Science Fair

We held our first science fair this week and what a science fair it was! There were entries from all across the school and the variety was incredible. Talking to the children about the projects was enlightening and it was wonderful to hear how much they had enjoyed working as a family to create something different. Thank you to everyone who took part and to everyone who came to look at the projects.



Celebration Assembly

As we reach the end of term we celebrate those pupils who continually show our values of ambition, resilience and respect. I love hearing how hard the teachers find it to decide who to award the certificates to each week – a sign that everyone is doing their best. Well done to everyone who has had a certificate so far this year.

Gates

After half term, the Abbotsford Road gate will no longer be opened for drop off or collections. Palmerston and Conway Road entrances will operate as normal. This is to add an additional layer of safeguarding for all of our pupils and families.

Have a wonderful half term and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 1st November at 8:30am.

Best wishes,

Mrs R Eaton