

## Dates for the Diary

3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> February – National Storytelling Week 5<sup>th</sup> February – Reception Bible Presentation @10:40am 14<sup>th</sup> Feb– Close for Half-term holiday @3:15pm 25<sup>th</sup> Feb- Re-open for children @8:45am 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> March – Parents Evenings

**Come to school** – it's really cool! **Be on time** – it helps you shine!



#### Diamond 9

Our Diamond 9 word this week in class has been 'Flourish'.



Class 1 Newsletter



### Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January

#### Reception

We have enjoyed Michael Rosen's expressive retelling of "We're going on a Bear Hunt" We have written about some of the places the family visited on their hunt and next week we will be drawing a story map. In Maths we have explored weight and capacity. We used the balance scales to find objects that weighed the same. We estimated how many small scoops would be needed to fill a large container, then investigated to find out how close our guess was.

In RE we have learned two more stories from the Bible – Jonah and the Whale and Daniel in the Lion's Den. We were glad that Jonah finally listened to God!

#### Year 1

We were very proud of the children's re-writing of The Enormous Turnip. We had Giant Strawberries and Monstrous Pumpkins to name just a few. We were encouraged with the use of finger spaces, full stops and capital letters. Our focus next week will be letter formation and handwriting as we explore different stories in National Storytelling Week. Please can children bring in their favourite story next week? In Maths we have been looking at counting on up to 20 and using number bonds to 20.

> In RE we have just finished the story of Joseph and talked about how God was with him during his time in Egypt and how he showed forgiveness to his brothers.

We would love any donations for our craft area, eg old boxes, bottles, kitchen roll tubes etc.



We would like to invite our families to join us for Worship at 10.40am on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February where we will be presented with our first school Bible. Please come in through the main entrance and join us in the hall for this special occasion.



| <b>Reception Certificate Winners</b>   | Year 1 Certificate Winners   |
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| Curriculum Awards  | Curriculum Awards  |
| <b>Tommy –</b> for making excellent progress in reading.<br><b>Polina</b> – for making excellent progress in reading and writing.  | <ul> <li>Isla-Faith - for working independently and joining in with discussions.</li> <li>Billie – for improved listening skills.</li> </ul> |
| Christian Value/Diamond 9 Certificate  | Christian Value/Diamond 9 Certificate  |
| <b>Poppy-Rai –</b> for showing great creativity in her<br>learning.<br><b>Jaxon</b> – for showing the Christian value of<br>Friendship.  | <b>Rosie</b> – for the Christian value of Trust.<br><b>Anna</b> – for the Christian value of Peace.  |
| Star Writer  | Star Writer  |
| <b>Allan</b> – for excellent independent writing about his favourite part of the Gingerbread Man story.<br><b>Elsie</b> – for using her phonic knowledge to write about the Bear Hunt. | <b>Olivia</b> – for creating a fantastic story on the<br>Humongous Strawberry.<br><b>Phoenix</b> – for improvement in independent working.   |

# Well done on letting your lights shine so brightly!

