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'Caring, Believing, Achieving'

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This term our value is respect, which is particularly important as it forms one of our school rules. We will talk about 'doing unto others as you would have them do unto you.' as the golden rule. During worship we will be exploring how we can value differences, opinions and special places which will lead us onto the story of Jesus visiting the temple and his anger and disappointment when he saw how disrespectful his people were being.

In May, both Year 6 and Year 2 wrote their SATS. We can only congratulate and commend them all on how maturely and positively they worked, taking the whole experience in their stride. A big thank you and well done to their teachers, who clearly prepared them well.

This week we will be sending out our monthly Internet Safety Newsletter. Please look out for it, or alternatively read it on our website.

We are looking forward to sporting events, participating in the Leavers Service, the summer production, trips to the Temple and Saul Junction as well as a RIAT stem workshop to name but a few. As the term ahead is very busy, please keep an eye on the list of dates below.

RE Action Award

We are proud to let you know that Gloucestershire SACRE has recently informed us that our school has successfully been awarded the RE action award – Silver Level.

On reviewing our application and supporting evidence, they were pleased to see that Religious Education has a significant profile in our school. We look forward to being presented with our award in school soon.

A big thank you to Mrs Dugdale for all the work she does to promote RE in school as well as her time spent collating the evidence and sending in the application.

Tag Rugby

On Thursday the 25th May, a team of Year 3 and 4 players went to take part in the Tag Rugby competition at Cirencester Rugby Club. The competition was long awaited, after being cancelled twice!

Both teams did really well, winning the majority of their games, leaving Hatherop finishing in second place overall!

Well done to all the children, some of whom were participating in their first competitive event. Thank you also to Ms Clarke and Mrs Cook for accompanying them.

Coronation Celebrations

To celebrate the coronation, the PTA arranged a whole school gathering, involving games for the children, scones, tea and cake as well as a couple of songs sung by the children. It made for a great start to the coronation bank holiday weekend.



Year 5/6 Residential to Manor Adventure – Abernant Lake Hotel

On Wednesday, 17th May we set off on our trip. The journey was about three hours long, so we made a stop at a service station to eat our packed lunches. We eventually made it to our destination in Wales, put our bags in our rooms and went out for our first activity. For year 6, that was an obstacle course. We split into two teams and we raced through the course. After that had finished, we carried a kayak (named Kevin) over all the obstacles. And then it was time for dinner which was a choice of pork, lamb, chicken, vegetables or rice and chocolate fudge brownie for dessert.

On Thursday, we woke up and went to breakfast. There was a choice of egg, bacon, sausages, beans, cereal, fruit or toast. After that we went canoeing. There were three people in a canoe and we played some tagging games and did some racing. Then we had a hot drink to warm up and then went kayaking. There was one person in each kayak and we went around the lake and did some challenges. Some of us fell in but not everyone. Then it was lunch time, when we had pizza, chicken, rice, salad or fruit. Next, we had raft building and after we had a tug of war and a massive splash fight. We dried off and then we had low ropes. Low ropes is an obstacle course that requires teamwork to complete.

Then we had dinner, it was barbeque night outside and the options were burger, hotdog, chicken kebab and callipo. After that we went abseiling. We each got four turns to jump down the wall and we all took part in a time challenge to see who could get down the fastest. Then we went to sleep because we were all very tired.

On Friday, we woke up and got ready for breakfast. Then we went climbing. There were lots of ridges to climb over and things to avoid but we all made it to the top. When it wasn't your go some of us got to pull the rope at the bottom to help our friend up on the wall. After climbing, we went to aeroball. The rules of aeroball are you can score a point by shooting a basket or catching your opponent's shot that didn't go in the hoop and you count up your scores to see who won. After that we were all hungry and we went to lunch. The journey home was around four hours long but we stopped at the service station again and that broke it up. But then we got back to school at about 17:30. We all had an amazing time! By Phoebe



Kingfisher Class - Bug hotels

In our groups, we made bug hotels. We thought carefully about the bugs and minibeasts we would like to attract and the different conditions they would require in their microhabitats.



Gardening Club

Thank you to Mrs Legg and gardening club who have made sure that the school grounds are looking wonderful for summer. They have weeded, planted flowers and vegetables as well as decorated their own plant pots.



PTA Courtyard Refurbishment

Last term, members of the PTA gave up their time to come in over a weekend and give the courtyard a good clean, tidy and paint! This was all in preparation for the refurbishment that happened in half term. We have had a new grass surface fitted and some new equipment installed – all **funded by you via the PTA.**

We are keen for all year_groups to spend some time in the courtyard but know that Skylark class will particularly enjoy the new space.

BEFORE



AFTER



Dates for the Diary:

Monday 5 th June	Class Photos
Tuesday 6 th June	Count on Nature at Church
Wednesday 7 th June	RIAT Stem workshop Year 5/6
Thursday 8 th June	Outdoor Learning: Skylark
Monday 12 th June	Phonics Screening Week
Monday 12 th June	Year 4 – In the Net Workshop
Wednesday 14 th June	Outdoor Learning: Kingfisher
Wednesday 14 th June	Yr 6 Leavers Service – Gloucester Cathedral
Thursday 15 th June	KS2 Athletics Farmors
Friday 16 th June	Red Kite and Year 4 Visit to Temple
Wednesday 21 st June	Outdoor Learning: Year 4
Monday 26 th June	RSE Week
Friday 30 th June	Sports Day
Tuesday 4 th July	New Reception Parents Evening
Wednesday 5 th July	New Reception transition visit
Thursday 13 th July	Year 4 Saul Junction Trip
Tuesday 18 th July	Year 5/6 Summer Production 1:30pm and 6pm
Friday 21 st July	Celebration Worship/ Leavers Assembly End of Term 2pm
Monday 24 th July	INSET day
Tuesday 25 th July	INSET day