



Bishop William Ward C of E Primary School Newsletter

Happy, respectful, lifelong learners

'I have come so that they may have life, and have it in all its fullness' John 10:10

7th
February
2020

Dear Parents/Carers

As you may be aware, on Mondays our assembly time is used for our Family Groups. These are not sibling groupings, but a group of children with a representative from each year group. This week, the focus was on bullying. Whilst bullying is not prevalent at our school, we are always mindful that it could be an issue and ensuring the children are knowledgeable about what bullying is and what to do if they see it happening is an important part of being vigilant. Here are some of their thoughts:

Bullying definitions:

'Bullying means that someone is being mean to you either verbally or physically. That means every day.'
(Group 13)

'It's being mean and rude over and over again'
(Group 28)

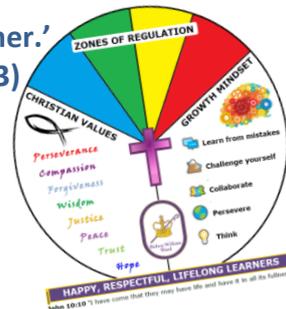
'Bullying is where someone is mean to you and it happens all the time. Sometimes it can be physically or online or words.'
(Group 19)

Advice:

'Say "Stop, I don't like it."'
(Group 18)



'Tell a teacher.'
(Group 23)



'Don't believe what they say.'
(Group 4)

'Tell your parents if it keeps on happening.'
(Group 22)

People who can help:

'MDAs' (Group 26) 'Family' (Group 25) 'Teachers' (Group 2) 'Headteacher' (Group 27) 'Friends' (Group 16)



The children also considered what might make someone become a bully and what help that person might need to change their ways. This wasn't a planned part of the assembly, but shows what thoughtful and compassionate children you have that they wanted to bring this up.

We finished by showing the school behaviour policy, which states very clearly that **bullying is totally unacceptable in our school**'.

Calendar Corner

February

11th Book Look Y4
13th Book Look, Y1,2,5 2.40pm
14th Last day of term
24th Back to school
24th - 28th Multicultural Arts Week
26th-27th Flatford Mill trip, Y4
28th Friends of BWW Gin Tasting event,
7.30pm

March

3rd Parent/Teacher Meeting 3.30-6pm
5th Parent/Teacher Meeting 5.30-8pm
6th World Book Day at BWWW
10th Fun for Families Club, 5-6.30pm
17th Colchester Schools Music Festival,
choir
19th Friends of BWW Mothers' Day Tea,
3.30pm
23rd Book Look, Y1,2,4,5 2.40pm
31st Assembly at St John's Church

April

2nd Easter communion
2nd Book Look, Y1,2,4,5 2.40pm
3rd Last day of term

Children in the Gold Book this week:

Foundation: Harry

Year 1: Alice

Year 2: Megan

Year 3: James

Year 4: Elsie-Jai

Year 5: Miah

Year 6: Lucy



BOOK LOOKS

It was great to see so many of you at the Book Look this week. We have a session on **Tuesday for Y4** and on **Thursday for Y1, 2 and 5**. Just turn up at 2.40pm and your child will bring their work to you to have a look through together.

READING CHALLENGE

Look out for a letter coming home on Monday about our **100,000 Minute Reading Challenge**. We are trying to read for that amount of time before the end of the school year. You will also get a slip for your child to colour when they read.

Thank you to the Friends of BWW for putting on yet another new event over the weekend. We had a number of groups trying to get out of our Escape Rooms!



ACHIEVEMENT CUP

Congratulations to Rachel and Ted, recipients of the Achievement Cups for January.



SMARTIES APPEAL

Your child will have come home from school with a tasty treat earlier this week – a tube of Smarties from the **Tom Bowdige Foundation**. We love to support this local charity that helps young people living with a cancer diagnosis. Please fill the tube up with coins and return it to school. Thank you for the full tubes we have received already!



Always a pleasure to share a photo from Foundation Stage's visits to Great Horkesley Manor.

Mr Bull