



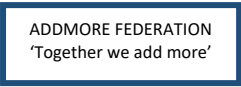
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Friday 24th May and 7th June 2024

This Half Term's Value Truthfulness

'Phrases of Faith'



'With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love' – Ephesians 4:2

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and looking forward to the final half term of the school year.

At the end of the last half term, we bid farewell to Mrs Vaughan, who has decided to retire after a long and dedicated career teaching music to numerous schools and children over the years. Mrs Vaughan has been instrumental in bringing the joy of singing and music to our schools, and we are extremely grateful for her valuable contribution. We wish her all the best in her well-deserved retirement and hope she enjoys her planned travels to Italy, France for flamingo spotting, and quality time with her family.

As we say goodbye to Mrs Vaughan, we warmly welcome Mrs Newman to our staff team. Many of you may already be familiar with Mrs Newman as our Piano Tutor, and we are delighted that she will now be delivering music lessons across the Federation. Her expertise and passion for music will undoubtedly benefit our students, and we are excited to have her on board.

Looking ahead, we have a busy week planned with an artist residency across the Federation. Renowned artist Darrel Wakelam will be joining us to create, design and learn, and we cannot wait to showcase the results at our upcoming open gallery event next week. More details about this event will be shared with you shortly.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a wonderful weekend. As ever thank you for your support; I look forward to the exciting term ahead.

Warm regards,

Mrs S. Henney





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This week's Star Pupils!

This week's pupils of the week are:

Ercall - Anastasia - Anastasia is developing her confidence and independence at nursery and making friendships.

Louisa - Louisa is showing great interest and involvement at music time.

Lawley – Kourie – For working hard during handwriting practise to form his letters. Well done, Kourie.

And

Malachi for wonderful creative writing using adjectives. Malachi has put a lot of effort into his writing this week

Wrekin – Dylan - For being inquisitive and asking brilliant, fact finding questions to our visitors during careers week.

Caradoc - Matilda. For really pushing herself with her writing this week, she has thought carefully about trying to include all the mastery keys in her final independent piece of writing.

Class News

Ercall

We had a lovely start to the week, we had a visit from some sheep. The children asked lots of questions, they were very interested in what Joe had to say and some of the children were brave enough to stroke them. Thank you, Joe, for giving the children this opportunity, they really enjoyed it.



Our initial sound of the week is 'q', we have sounded out the words 'queen', 'quack' and 'quick'.

It is our last week of Gigantosaurus this week, the children have had lots of fun this week, with the dinosaurs in gloop, dinosaurs stomping on the cornflakes & dinosaur cakes. At teaching time the children stood up confidently and made their own stories about dinosaurs. (One went to the beach swimming, another went to the zoo to eat leaves).



In maths we have been counting how many pieces of pasta the dinosaurs were eating, super number work!

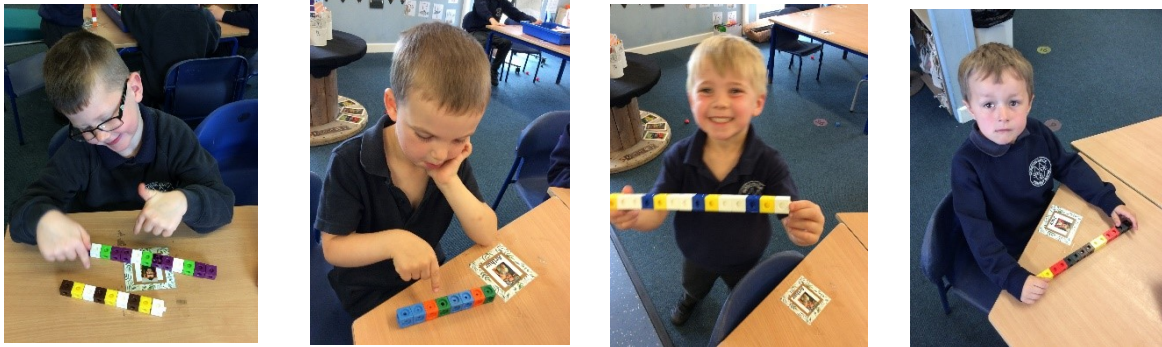
Thank you everyone for a super 'roarsome' term, have a lovely time off together making memories.



Miss Hughes, Miss Sanders, Mrs Arblaster & Jess

Lawley

In maths this week we have been looking at patterns. The children have enjoyed creating patterns with actions such as clapping and then stomping. The children have also enjoyed making patterns with colours, shapes, and natural objects. We have spoken a lot about continuous patterns, and we have looked at where we might see patterns in our environment such as on Giraffes bodies at the Zoo and also on some wallpaper.



During English we have been writing our proud pieces for this term. The children have been writing about something they enjoy doing with their families whether it be a place they have enjoyed visiting in the past or whether it be something they enjoy playing with at home. The children have thought of some lovely things that they enjoy doing with their families and it has been lovely seeing them so eager to write about their favourite things to do.

In Art we have finished designing our animals and this week we have made our animal sculptures out of clay. The children have worked hard to mould their clay and make some beautiful sculptures. After half term we are going to paint our animals and send them home.





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We have been getting the Role Play area ready for our new topic next term. Our new topic book will be 'Seesaw' about a little girl who goes to the beach and has lots of twists and turns along the way. We have been working hard this week to turn our Role Play into a Beach Hut Café. **We would really appreciate if you have any beach themed items at home like old buckets and spades/Hawaiian flower necklaces or empty ice cream tubs/boxes if you could bring them in for the children to use in their imaginary play.**

Have a wonderful relaxing half term everyone and lets hope it is a sunny one!

Mrs Greenway, Mrs Arblaster and Miss Hughes

Wrekin

We have had a fantastic week finding out about a wide range of careers, meeting lots of people with different careers and visiting some places of work during our trip into Market Drayton. During our trip we visited the local fire station, where we explored the fire truck and all had a go at firing the hose. Then we headed across the library where we met Echo the Gecko and found out about the huge range of jobs a librarian did. We enjoyed a story before making our way to the park for a picnic and a play. What a great day!





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In History we created our own castles with Lego and Duplo, thinking carefully about the features that would make our castle most secure in the event of an attack. We thought about the castles the Normans built and why a stone keep would be more secure than a motte and bailey.

Miss Jones and Mrs Jones

Caradoc

What a busy week!

We have finished our English topic with some amazing pieces of writing. We have drawn together skills, vocabulary and ideas from our letters, diary entries, speech sandwiches and scene descriptions to write our own stories based on Journey. Journey is a wordless book so we have enjoyed reading our stories while looking at the illustrations.

The children have become much more confident reading the time following our latest unit of work on time. We are continuing to practice our clock reading in all aspects of school life.

Year 4 children will be completing their multiplication checks in the second and third week back after half term. We have been busy practicing at school but for anyone looking for additional practice materials for home, this is a great website:
<https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>

Mrs Rawsthorne, Mrs Burns and Mrs Ritchings

Stiperstones

Stiperstones enjoyed a fabulous trip to AICO in Oswestry as part of our careers week on Tuesday. We enjoyed having a tour of the workplace from looking in the warehouse to see where orders were processed and how they were sorted, through to the offices where online orders are first sent to. We also got to see some of the work that is being done on new fire alarm designs and got to see some prototypes of potential future products.

As part of the day we also had the opportunity to have a go at packaging up some orders, ready for the customers, which was great fun. We learned a lot about making sure we got the orders right so that the customers got what they asked for. We looked around the outdoor grounds and could see how the company value sustainability growing their own vegetables and keeping their own chickens. We go to plant our own peas which we bought home to grow. We can't wait to see if anyone manages to grow theirs! It was a really lovely day and I know that some children have felt inspired to want to work at AICO in the future!

Fundraiser

As part of our PSHE unit of work on 'Enterprise', Stiperstones are planning on hosting a fundraising event to raise money for charity (charity yet to be decided by the children). We have thought of lots of fun ways to raise money for our chosen charity, such





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as bake sales, refreshment stalls, jewellery making and crafts sales. One of our groups is keen to create a cookbook to sell, which will include lots of local recipes from local businesses, people and staff from the school. The group would also be really keen to include recipes from our families, so if you have any that you would be willing to share please send them in to Stiperstones class!

Mrs Baillie and Miss Yeomans

other news

PTFA 10K

On Saturday 11th May members of the PTFA took to the roads of Market Drayton to run in the annual 10k event, raising much needed funds for the school. All runners made it round the course, cheered on by pupils, families and friends, despite the sweltering temperatures. Pupils old and new also took part in the fun run and came away with many awards in their age categories.

Well done to all that took part and thank you to all that came along to support and cheer. Here's to next year!

Careers week

We would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who has supported us during our first Careers and Aspirations Week. The children have enjoyed learning about the different jobs and careers through visits and workshops.

We kicked the week off with Joe and Becky (and some fluffy friends!) teaching us all about different jobs linked to agriculture and where our food comes from.



We met:

Gina – A charity worker for Action Syria who spoke about her role in fundraising and some of the many events she has organised. The children then looked into different charities and planned events and appeals to support them. Gina was really impressed with their knowledge of fundraising from our recent PSHE topic.





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Jess – A biomedical scientist who gave us a virtual tour of her lab and the different tests/experiments that she does. The children were able to examine some of the equipment she uses including agar plates and practiced spreading techniques.

Leah – A doctor. We played a yes/no game to discover what type of doctor Leah is and were amazed at how many different types of medical professionals the class could name. They then took part in an anatomy lesson.



Lucy – A Landscape architect, we enjoyed designing a football stadium for Mr BigMoneyBags! We used scale plans and thought carefully about road access, car parks, greener ways to travel community links.

Simon – A farmer. He spoke about all the different jobs he has had, why he became a farmer, what he did on a day to day basis before giving them a tour of his tractor.

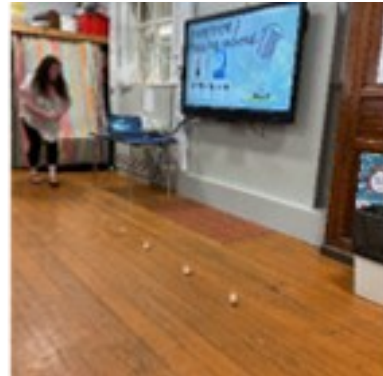
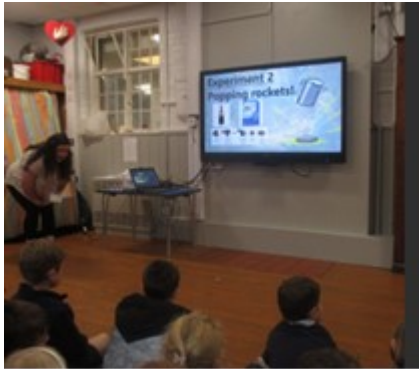




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Buffy – A Zoologist. Who shared the many different jobs she has done in her zoology career including an internship at Chester Zoo, RSPB conservationist, monkey sanctuary and a science teacher. The children loved activities including name the pool!



Emily – A nurse who explained what a school nurse does and who she works with. The children used a stethoscope, took their pulse and looked at how their bodies changed after exercise.



Linda - a local employment officer, set the children a challenge to create a poster about what they would like to be when they grow up. Thinking about skills and interests. She helped us by introducing us to a job for every letter of the alphabet. Competition winners received book tokens.





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A super well done to all of our wonderful readers this half term. A big well done to Ophelia who has now read over 2 million words this year - which is a fantastic achievement!

Ready Reader- 1000 words

Freddie
Harley
Ruben Sa
Nicholas
Seth
Imogen
Jacob
Pheobe G
Izzy H
Oscar

Independent- 5000 words

Isaac T
Amelia
John
Izzy N

Rising Reader -10000 words

Eddie
Charlie B
Meadow
Ted

Super Reader - 50,000 words

Elsie

Advanced Reader - 100,000 words

Lottie
Neve
Matilda
Harrison
Tabitha

Classic Reader - 500,000 words

Ella

Honours (1 million)

Oliver G

A big well done to Ella who has won our ten pound book token for this half term after reading 615,319 words - well done Ella!!



Gardening and Home Crafts – W/c 20th May

What a change in the weather! Last week we decided to work indoors due to the heavy rains and we designed our very own pot snake/monster. The children worked hard on their designs as well completing challenges to draw their favourite flower, fruit, or vegetable. These will be made into a collage for display after half term.

This week we realised our designs in clay. The children worked hard to replicate their designs on paper in an 3D medium and to add texture and detail. They are all perched on pots ready to dry over half term and when we return they will be painting them before taking them home to decorate the garden.

Lots of work has also been going on behind the scenes with a new blue planter installed and filled with wool and compost ready for our summer vegetables as well as some much needed tidying of the gardening spaces. Many thanks to Dan, Izzy N's dad who donated the fleeces that lined and filled the planter. We'll have some very cosy plant roots.

Gardening and Home Crafts – W/c 3rd June

This week we welcomed some new faces to gardening club and it was a busy session for all. We divided into groups and did a lot of planting. There were vegetable plants for our blue planter and then some lovely flowers to refresh the pots by reception. We spent the whole session learning about the plant names and how to get them into the compost with the best start.

All in all we planted runner beans, sun gold tomatoes, strawberries, marigolds, sweet peas, cucumber, courgette, snaking peppers, oregano, tarragon, pumpkin, summer squash, and beets. The summer pots will soon bloom with yellow snapdragons, pink petunias, and light blue trailing lobelia.

Many thanks to Nicholas who helped after the club watering in all the plants, sweeping up the compost spills and planting a few leftover vegetables.



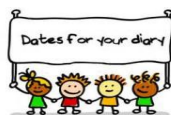
Mrs Truman, Mrs Greenway and the Gardening Club



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Moreton Say Diary Dates 2023 – 2024



JUNE

Monday 17th June – Nursery Sports Day – 2.15pm

Tuesday 18th June – Sports Day – 9.15am

JULY

Wednesday 3rd to Friday 5th July – Stiperstones visit to Arthog

Wednesday 10th July – Cluster Sports Day at Woore

Wednesday 17th July – Whole School visit to Rhyl

Thursday 11th July – Year 6 Leavers Performance in Clive Hall – 2.00pm

Thursday 18th July – Year 6 Leavers Service in church – 9.15am

Thursday 18th July – School breaks up for summer.

SEPTEMBER

Monday 2nd September – PD Day

Tuesday 3rd September – PD Day

Wednesday 4th September – School re-opens for Autumn term.





and finally....

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Moreton Say Primary School
Parent and Teacher Association

**SAVE THE
DATE!**

Summer
FETE



Join us on the playing fields for a
celebration of all things Summer on
Friday 12th July 3:30-5:30

There will be a raffle, games, prizes,
refreshments and more!

More information to follow in the coming weeks.

**Volunteers for stands are still needed,
please speak to a member of the PTA
Committee if interested.**



Fordhall Organic Farm 2025 Calendar * Photo Competition *



Have your photo featured!

Have you taken a photo while visiting the farm? Maybe a snap of a piglet, lamb or bumblebee? Well we want to see them! We are holding a competition to publish a visitor photo in the Fordhall calendar. We welcome photos from any season!

Prizes

The winning entry will be featured in the 2025 edition of our calendar, along with receiving a free copy and a £5 voucher to spend on site! **Closing date 31/08/24**

How to enter

We are only able to accept digital entries, and all entries must be emailed along with a completed entry form to project@fordhallfarm.com

The entry form and full Ts&Cs can be found by scanning the QR code or visiting the link below:
www.fordhallfarm.com/fordhall-calendar-photo-competition/





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Parents and guardians: Our kids are now most commonly abused online, via their mobile phones and games consoles. Do you know how to keep your kids safe?

Learn more about the dangers of kids being online and how you can keep them safe. Join our free one hour online parent awareness session to give yourself a head start in an ever changing digital world.

Scan the QR code to find out more about our awareness training and to sign up to one of our free sessions or go to www.westmercia.police.uk/exploitworkshops

