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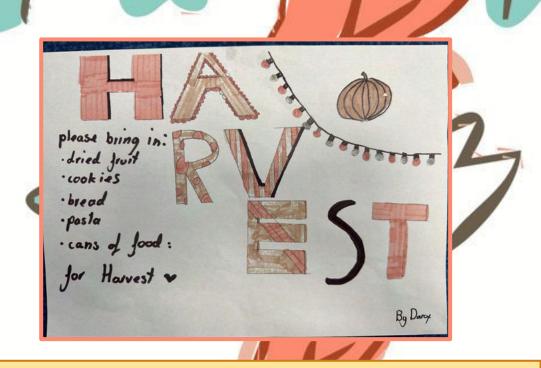
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Weekly Parent Prayer Reminder for this term!

Monday 16 October 9am, Small Meeting Room Parents' prayers for the Blue school community. We also take prayer requests. **Everyone is welcome.**



This week in **Collective Worship** the focus has been about consequences to our actions. Reverend Dave led worship on Wednesday and there was great

excitement as he showed the children the consequences of dropping certain objects! The children made their predictions and saw a ball bounce, an apple crack and an egg smash into a container! We thought about positive things that can happen when we help others. We listened to examples in the Bible where we saw positive events happen as a result of the actions of Jesus and his disciples.

Y6 Charity Team Harvest Food Bank Appeal

We will be collecting items for a local Food Bank next week. Please bring your items into school **by next Friday 20th October.** We will be working alongside St.John's Church to donate items to Hope Church in Hounslow (St. Paul's location on Bath Road). Please provide any of the following items to support the cause:

Tinned tomatoes / Pulses – chickpeas, dried lentils Tinned vegetables - sweetcorn, peas, carrots, beans Pasta & pasta sauce/ Basmati Rice Toiletries Tea / Coffee / Sugar (regular size boxes of Tea) Cereals Oats / porridge Rice pudding /custard Tinned soup / tinned fruit / Long life milk /Toiletries

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Week Personal Social Health Education





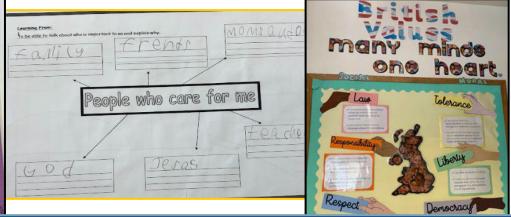
'Being me in my world.' This unit covers a wide range of topics including a sense of belonging, welcoming others and being a part of a school community, a wider community and a global community.

In EYFS, we have been learning about courageous advocacy, the precious people in our lives and following rules and routines.

In year one, we have been looking at who makes us feel safe and creating our own class rules to give us a sense of belonging and responsibility. Year 2 has been reflecting on their own worlds and the people in their lives that care and look after them.

Goals and resolutions have been a key focus in year 3, setting goals and identifying their own ambitions and ways we can achieve these. British values have played a huge part in PSHE learning in year four this half of term. Children have developed a secure understanding of what these are, what they mean and how they contribute to creating positive communities.

Year 5 have been looking at responsibilities they have in different communities both within school and in the wider community.



This week a mixture of girls from Year 5 and Year 6 attended the Football Festival at Gumley House

to promote girls in sports.The children took part in football activities such as capture the flag, football netball and small 3 v 3 matches. The girls worked amazingly well as a team and showed respect to everyone at the event.





Some of our FANTASTIC Y6 Leadership Teams in action!



Last week we started the Gardening Club Team! The new team harvested the fruit of last year's hard work! They also planted winter onions!

> Hugo Y6 Planted his Oak Tree that he started from an acorn in reception! We look forward to see it grow!

The Public Relations and Entrepreneurship Team spent time team building in the Headship Team's Office and also bringing some awareness within school to our incredible Rainbow Room!



The Eco Team have been making some pretty radical changes with how we recycle our food waste all around school- we'll be posting photos & and an update next week ! Check out this <u>fun competition below!</u>

The Big Recycling Hunt

We are challenging children aged 5 to 11 to join the Big Recycling Hunt! We want them to help us find the 'lost recyclables' that are going in the rubbish bin and return them to their right place: the recycling.

Step 1: Learn

Use our curriculum-linked $\underline{\text{KS1}}$ or $\underline{\text{KS2}}$ Introduction to recycling slides to get started.

Step 2: Create

Take on the <u>KS1</u> or <u>KS2</u> Big Recycling Hunt challenge and spread the word about what you learned to your school community. How is up to you!

- Creative Spark? Design an eye-catching poster inspired by activist artists.
 Winning Writer? Use your persuasive writing skills to make an
- information leaflet.
- Perfect Performer? Hone your presentation skills by making a short play or presentation.

Step 3: Share

<u>Send your work to us</u>! It may be show-cased on the Action Pack website so your message will reach a wider audience, and you could win one of our exciting prizes!



Family challenge

This homework is not just for the children – the Big Recycling Hunt Family Challenge includes a range of fun options to get parents and children learning together!



2023-2024 Academic Term Dates HERE

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Individual and Sibling took place, Thursday, 12th October!

Ordering information will be sent out soon! If your child missed their photo, there will be opportunity in the spring term to retake when we do class photos so not to worry!

Open Days

We are delighted be be holding Open Days this autumn! Please spread the word. Booking is available on Eventbrite through the link on <u>our website</u>.

All parents and carers are warmly invited to their child's Class Worship

Save the Date!

Reception Phonics Workshop Tuesday, 17th October 4.00-5:00pm (Kangaroo Class).

Parent Consultations Wed/Thurs 18-19 October Please book your slot on <u>Arbor.</u>

Emotional Wellbeing and SEN Information Evening with Mr Matheron Thursday, 2 November 5:00-5:40pm (Main Hall) Please book on TBS <u>eventbrite</u>

Outside of school highlights!

Mara, Torben and Alice (Yrs 2 and 4) successfully climbed to the summit of Snowdon last weekend. We're very proud of their achievement!

We are so proud of all The Blue School children who participated in the Richmond Rugby Festival! So many so we couldn't fit them all in last week! Karate Grading Competition. Raphael passed level 2 and received Half Yellow Belt.

Raphael's (Y1) achievement in the



Marnie Y6 joined the Hampton Court Horse Rangers in April of this year. Today we are proud to say that she has been promoted to Ponies Corporal 5 Squadron, this means more responsibility, going in early on a Sunday to collect the ponies from the field and tack them up ready for riding. A great achievement in 6 months!



Naomie Y6 Redwoods came first in her category at the her club competition with the Kingston Trampoline Academy on Sunday. She will now be competing at the end of November in a regional qualifier.



If your child has achieved something outside of school, please email <u>office@theblueschool.com</u> so we can share with the school community!







Arbor

More newsletters

The Blue School Calendar here



(Autumn & Spring Term)

10th November Y5 Ash 17th November Y5 Sycamore 26th January Y4 Willows 9th February Y4 Beeches 1st March Y3 Oaks 22nd March Y3 Elms Parents must enter via North Street and sign in on arrival

Hair Etiquette and Guidance

All hair that reaches your child's collar needs to be tied back for health and safety and hygiene reasons. This applies to all children.