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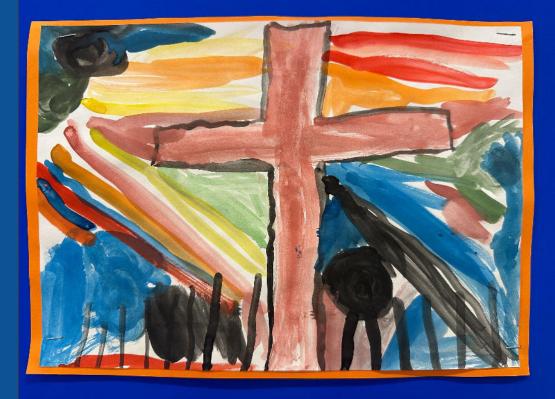
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> Community 1113 Dignity 798 Wisdom 947 Hope 1513

Weekly Parent Prayer Reminder! Monday 22nd January 9am, Small Meeting Room Parents' prayers for the Blue school community. We also take prayer requests.

Everyone is welcome.



This week in worship we revisited our Christian Values:

Hope Dignity Wisdom Community

On Monday Mr Hammer discussed **Hope** and children were reminded that the Bible says there are three important things in life: love, trust (faith) and hope. 'Hope is believing that good things will happen.'

On Wednesday Reverend Joe visited and reminded us all about the story of when God spoke to Samuel in a dream. Samuel listened to the Lord.

Children loved singing the song 'Oh Wow Awesome God'. In-class worship focused on Wisdom and classes reflected on how we can use our wisdom to help each other.

The Y6 worship team led worship on Friday and spoke about **Community** and **Dignity** focusing on the work of our Charity Team and the amazing funds raised by our school last year. They discussed how we can work together and to celebrate each individual in our community.

Music

On Monday, the choir were invited to a Prom Praise workshop led by Michael and Aanu from All Soul's Church.

The children learnt about the life of King David, who the concert centres around, took part in some musical activities and were able to ask questions about the trip to the Royal Albert Hall. Prom Praise is held every 2 years and brings together many schools from across London. This year 60 schools will form part of a massed choir, performing with an orchestra where actors will tell the story of King David's life

For more than 20 years, the PP4S programme, presented by the All Souls Orchestra in partnership with LDBS, has been committed to spreading hope and unity through music – empowering educators in cultivating emotional and spiritual intelligence through the use of faith-based story-telling and exuberant, quality current and classical music. The concert will take place on March 12th at 6pm and one parent or carer will be able to buy a ticket to attend. A link will be provided for parents to purchase tickets after half-term and extra tickets will go on sale from March 1st.

Thank you for supporting your child with learning the songs!





Royal Albert Hall



Early Years Police Visit

This week, the Early Years excitedly welcomed PC Matthew. They sat beautifully whilst he presented amazing facts about the police force and explained how they help our community. The children engaged in a question and answer session. They particularly loved listening to the siren and trying on the different police hats.





Y3 Stone Age Workshop

On Tuesday 16th January, Y3 Oaks and Elms had a Stone Age Workshop! The children met an ancestor from just after the Ice Age, who explained their hunter-gatherer lifestyle. They showed the tools they made and talked about the animals they hunted and the variety of foodstuffs they gathered for the tribe.



We're going on a Headteacher Hunt!

With Ms Jones retiring at the end of the academic year, the recruitment process has now begun to find a new headteacher for our school from Autumn 2024. If you know anyone suitable, please share the news and <u>advert.</u> We also ask for prayers that God will lead the right person to join our wonderful school community.

Interviews will take place, Wed 7th February. Watch this space!



Term Dates 2023-2024 & 2024-2025

Class Worship

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

26th January Y4 Willows 9th February Y4 Beeches 1st March Y3 Oaks 22nd March Y3 Elms

Academic Year

Anti-bullying Policy

Please remember to check your children for **NITS & Head Lice** Guidance <u>here</u>

Central London Community Healthcare NHS NHS Trust Your healthcare closer to home

Immunisation Team Flu Vaccination Catch up Clinic

For Children in Hounslow Schools in years Reception to Year 11 <u>who have missed</u> their Flu nasal spray immunisation at school. If your child had the vaccine at school, they DO NOT need to have it again. Inactive Flu Vaccination also available (Gelatine free injection).

<u>By appointment only</u> <u>Clinic Dates:</u>

Friday 12thJanuary 2024, 2.30pm-4.00pm Tuesday 16th January 2024, 2.30pm-4.20pm Friday 19th January 2024, 2.30pm-4.20pm Tuesday 23rd January 2024, 2.30pm-4.20pm <u>Venue:</u> Heston Health Centre 25 Cranford Lane Heston TW5 9ER Walk-in Clinic Saturday 27th January 2024, 9.00am-12.30pm at: Heart Of Hounslow, 2nd Floor Outpatients 92 Bath Road, Hounslow TW3 3EL *Please note, this will be our last flu clinic*

To book an appointment please call Hounslow School Aged Immunisation Team on: 0203 691 1013

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Open Days

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

Admissions

Nursery Applications 2024/25 Applications available in the school office and due 8th March 2024

Please remember to download your child's Christmas Nativity Performance -details were sent out before Christmas!

Parking safe notice

Please be mindful of how you park on North and South Street to be respectful of local residents and to keep our children safe. Please NEVER park in front of the school gates or in front of people's driveways incase emergency services need to get access.

Privacy Notices

If you wonder how we use your data, please review <u>here</u>

School Website Update

The <u>school website</u> now has translation options to support EAL families. There is a drop down language bar on each page. We hope this will make it easier for our Blue School families to be able to access our website more easily.

2023/24 BLUE SCHOOL BAKE SALES

Please put these bakes & goodies sale dates in your diary!

Money raised in YOUR year-group bake sale, is given to the teachers of your year to spend on cool stuff to enrich your child's class experience at school (i.e. workshop, trip, books, equipment....). So, your kids really do get out of it, what you guys put in!

YEAR	£ RAISED ALREADY	NEW DATES
Year 4	£468.72	22 nd Sept 2023
Year 6	£415.85	Fri 20 th October
Reception	-	Fri 10 th November
Year 1	-	Fri 19th Jan 2024
Year 2	£356.74	Fri 9 th February
Year 3	£347.38	Fri 1st March
Year 5	£377.70	Fri 15th March

The small stuff:

• Money raised this year will be added to ££ your class made last year (i.e. last years yr2 money will move up with children to their current yr3 pot etc.) • Teachers will be given their total - and they will choose (as a year group) how best to spend it. Please give ideas but they do not need parent approval

• Anything not spent this year will stay in the year group pot

• Reception obvs don't have a pot from last year • Yr1 spent their full pot last year



Outside of School Highlights!



Bhavika (Yr 5 Sycamore) has successfully completed "ABRSM Grade 3 for Piano" in December 2023 and she has been awarded with credits from ABRSM.

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



The Garden Club in action The children are starting to sow vegetables and flowers to grow inside until spring!

