

St Christopher's School

Weekly News Friday 5th March 2021

Dear Parents

The countdown continues at pace and after 3 more big sleeps we will all be reunited once more. The Staff are looking forward to this with increasing delight as we all sense the excitement of normality on the cusp of returning.

The celebrations generated by winning last week's Award as National ISA Junior School of the Year 2020 have continued. We have been overwhelmed by wonderful messages of congratulations. Special thanks to Family Bullock and Family Wynne for such kind words and gifts. We will celebrate with all the children on Monday.

World Book Day was celebrated this week alongside the national event on 4th March. A bank of stories read by staff have been shared across the week and I have certainly enjoyed hearing them via the medium of film! We are passionate about books here, choosing the names of children's authors as our Houses to inspire a lifelong learning of literature. It is wonderful news that we will have a second event next Wednesday to enjoy and I am getting my pyjamas and story book ready for the day!

Year 2 enjoyed a cookery experience on our last Wellbeing Wednesday and thought about how they could combine all the taste of a fairy cake with all the healthy requirement for incorporating fruit into the ingredients. The children designed then made some very clever cakes with banana and dried fruit both mixed in and as toppings and had great fun in the process. Special thanks to Mrs Rendall for this creative opportunity.

This week saw the last of the Cookie Bear outdoor challenges and you provided another rich range of photos to choose from. Today, with spring on the horizon we are celebrating the gardening activities that we have watched the children actively participate in and you can see a selection of these on page 2. Well done to you all for thinking of such creative ways to impress Cookie Bear and special thanks to his assistant Mrs Meredith-Bennett for this brilliant initiative!

I hope that you will all take a moment to celebrate your own significant achievements this weekend having supported your children so brilliantly with their online learning. It has been a privilege to see snapshots of all your hard work enabling art lessons, PE lessons and all the other wealth of industrious learning take place outside of school. You should be so proud of your extraordinary achievements during this impossible time. On behalf of the whole team here, thank you and very well done.

Mrs Annie Thackray Headteacher

Merit Awards

Rory F, Sukie R, Blake Y, Isabelle W, Juliet F, Ilyas A, Eloise B-S, Grace H, Benjamin K, Harry L, Benjamin C, Harrison G

> Philosopher of the Week Holly D

Thought for the week
Should you always plan your next move or should you be spontaneous?









Cookie Bear Awards for Gardening





helping daddy prepare the veg patch. we planted onions and potatoes and found lots of worms



Nursery and Pre-Reception News

This week we continued our dragon and castle themes linked to our story and made crowns and shield to go with our castle. Outside we have been busy building castles and taking it in turns to sit on the throne. To mark St David's Day we have made some delicious Welsh cakes! Our sound this week is 'n' our writing is amazing.





8th March - Welcome back to School

10th March - Celebrating World Book Day Please wear your pyjamas to school





Virtual hug from Cookie Bear Awards:

Olivia H, Arya K, Rory F, Sukie R, Grace H, Callan M, Annabel H, Lawrence H, Victoria M, Daniella B, Holly D and Zachery R

Spotty Box Awards

Well done to Thea L who has been awarded 2nd place in a dance competition in the Junior Stars Category





Mathletics:

Congratulations to Holly D, Reis P and Luca K for their Gold award

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