



Newbold Church of England Primary School

At Newbold we aim to support each other to live, learn and excel together as a Christian community.

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up," 1 Thessalonians 5:11

We aim for excellence - building self-confidence and independence so that children are happy and well-motivated; keen to question; inspire and embrace change. Through the Christian ethos of the school, we value difference, diversity, and grow together as a community of lifelong learners.

Living out our vision as a Church of England School

Autumn 2024

Collective Worship

We have focused on the value of generosity over Autumn term 1. We have explored different ways of showing generosity cheerfully, giving to others in different ways including giving up our time. We also talked about caring for the world and saying thank you as part of Harvest celebrations.

We learnt stories from the old testament about Elijah, Elisha and Naaman and from the new testament about Jesus's friend Matthew and Jesus' miracles. We explored the bible and all the different types of books that are included in it.

In our achievement assemblies we continued to award children for their achievements at school and home.



Open the Book continue to visit us to tell us stories from the Bible.

Harvest

On Thursday 26th September at 2.30pm we celebrated our harvest service at St Matthew's Church Worthington. We invited our wider school community and to join us.

During the service KS2 talked about how we are thankful for all we have and how hard farmers work to ensure that we have food to eat. We thought about others who do not have enough to eat and we brought our donations for the Ashby Food Bank to help others. Robins class sang a song called Seeds of Friendship about how kindness can be passed onto others.

We really enjoyed singing our songs to everyone. Harvest Samba, Beautiful World and It starts with a seed.



Collective Worship

We have focused on the value of compassion over Autumn term 2. We talked about what it means to really show care to each other. We thought about what we need to do when we think we are being Bullied or we need to speak out for others who we think are being treated badly. As part of hearing the Christmas story from the Bible we thought about prophecies that were made about Jesus as well as meeting each of the characters from the story and the extraordinary things that happened to them.

The children receive rewards for reading at home.

We continue to share the children's achievements from activities outside school.

The open the Book team have continued to visit once a month.



On 27th November Rev. Tim came in to collective worship. He talked about Jesus being the 'Light of the World.' The children gave some very thoughtful answers to his questions.



Remembrance Service

This year we held our Remembrance reflection on the 11th November. Some of the children read the poems that we had written together during collective worship. We held a two minutes silence and sang songs about the meaning of Remembrance day. Mrs Walmsley talked to us about Poppy Day.



Pupil Voice Collective Worship

I love open the book.

It is great singing songs.

I like when we have visitors like the sports people and the recycling.

It is great singing songs with the actions.

It was fun doing the sketch at the carol service.

I like saying prayers.

I like it when we get to read the parts of the assembly at the front.

The mini games are really fun at the start of the assemblies.

I like making nominations and lighting the candles.

I think the countdowns are really fun.

Robins -Autumn 1

It has been great to see the Reception children settling so well into Robins. We have been learning our theme of 'All About Me' so there has been a lot of talking about family and friends and things that we enjoy doing. The children have found out about things that happen in school and meeting different adults who help them in school. They have been building different houses using boxes and also construction toys.

They have especially learnt lots of new songs about the seasons and to sing at our harvest service at the church. They are learning new phonics sounds each week and they are working hard to remember the sounds, write them and use them to blend them to make words.

KS1 have been looking at the theme of 'Memory Box' and looking back in time at the toys and games that people used to play and how they have changed over time. We had fun learning to play some playground games from the past. We have also thought a lot about everyday materials and their properties. We have enjoyed reading the story The Marvellous Fun Itsy Bittsy by Beatrice Alemanga and practicing using our adjectives to write descriptions of the Fuffy Itty Bitty and also the wolf from the story of Little Red Riding Hood.'

We have learnt how to use Venn Diagrams to sort and discuss the properties of the different materials.

In geography we have been working really hard to learn the names of the continents and oceans.

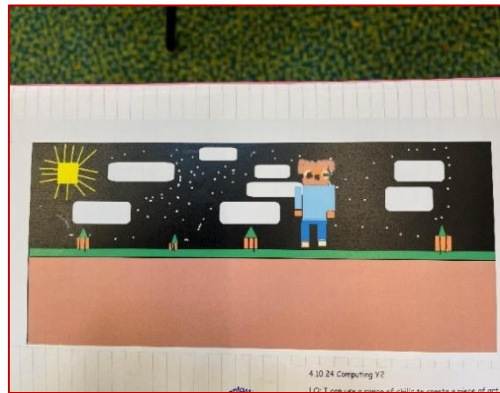


Robins -Autumn 1

Both Year 1 and 2 have been working on improving their drawing using the computer. They have all produced lots of different pictures as they practiced different skills.

We have also been experimenting with mixing colours and learning about primary and secondary colours.

In addition to our Maths lessons we have just started to have a short session four times a week following a scheme called Mastering Number. The scheme is helping all the children to have a better understanding of number and to talk about number in a deeper way. Alongside other equipment we are using a 'rekenrek' to count numbers, I have included a photo so you understand if your child talks about them.



The children enjoyed bringing in, talking about and painting their favourite toy.



KS2 -Autumn 1

It has been a busy start to the academic year for KS2. The Year 3s have settled in to routines and are making great progress. The Year 6s are filling their new "role model" roles well - setting good examples and helping us all be organised!

In English, this half term, KS2 have explored writing a fantasy narrative - based on Aladdin - and a persuasive text to promote a spy gadget. We became so engrossed in our spy gadget that we decided to merge the two topics together and end the half term with a fantasy narrative where Agent Shadow must rescue the stolen ruby. He becomes caught in a booby-trapped lock-up and must use his spy gadget to escape!

Our Science topic this term has seen the children begin to explore the planets of the solar system and how the Earth and Moon move around the Sun.

In Geography, we have learnt how to use Ordnance Survey explorer maps: how keys work; how to take 6-figure grid references; how to find a place on the map. We have been learning our addresses and how to write them for the postal system.

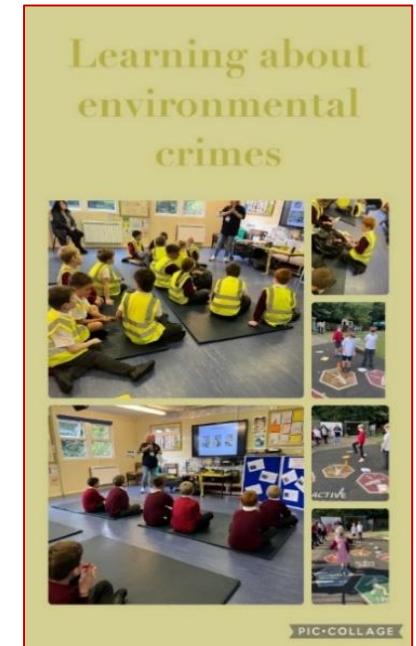


KS2 -Autumn 1

In History, we have realised that the "Bronze Age" also was important in Ancient China - but also that other important materials were available to them due to their location - Jade and Silk, for example. We have explored how religious leaders used "oracle bones" to 'tell the future' and the beliefs regarding the after-life at that time. In Art and Design, we have investigated the Ancient Chinese artform of Taotie - making our own castings to imitate the style.

We were fortunate to have a morning thinking about environmental crime. The children were introduced to the criminal repercussions of littering as well as the impact on the environment for other users. The children were most shocked by the level of the fines, if caught littering, and that discarding of bodily fluids anywhere that it is not intended is a crime.

The Year 5's went to Griffydham to take part in a Maths challenge afternoon, they competed well, came second and learnt about solving puzzles under pressure.



Autumn 2 -Robins



Much of Robins' time this half term has been taken up with preparing for our Nativity performance of Countdown to Christmas. I am very proud of the result as the children sang and acted so enthusiastically throughout the rehearsals and performances. Thank you again for working with the children on their lines and I hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

As well as our Nativity we have been reading books about Owls in literacy and finished by reading a book called The Dinosaur's Lunch by Jacqueline Wilson. The story resulted in some very exciting writing as we imagined what it would be like for Dinah when she woke up as a dinosaur.

We continued our theme of childhood and compared 1950's childhood with their own. We particularly enjoyed having Mrs. Laver visit us with her teddy bear which is one hundred years old. It was exciting to hear about the adventures that she had had with different members of the family during her history. We also learnt about timelines and put the different teddy bears in the correct order.

The Mastering number activities have continued to help everyone to talk about number and regularly practice core skills and we are starting to see the children's confidence in using mathematical vocabulary increase. We have been learning about the value of different coins this half term. This is a skill which all the children are finding hard as they have much less experience of seeing real coins than pupils in the past. It would be good to allow your children to explore the real money at home so they both recognise them and understand their value.

Autumn 2 -Robins

We hope you like your Christmas cards as they are the result of the work we have been doing in Design and Technology where we have been exploring different methods of adding moving parts to cards. Each child has designed their own card using one of the methods they have learnt. We are working hard on our colouring skills and think about the colours we are using too.

In computing we have been thinking about instructions and algorithms, Reception and Year One have been learning to use the Beebots and Year Two have been learning to give instructions clearly so that next term they will be able to program using Turtle Logo. Understanding left and right is starting to improve. It has been a very long term for us but it has been good to see the Robins all working so hard and improving their skills. Please continue to read to them and listen to them read regularly so that they see themselves as readers.



KS2 -Autumn 2

The children travelled to Measham to plant trees, organized by Leicester City community support group. This supports our work around protecting our environment and our school commitment to work towards being carbon zero. We worked hard and planted 74 trees opposite the Measham car boot field. Keep an eye on how that part of the National Forrest is growing and feel proud that we have made a difference to the oxygen levels!



We have enjoyed learning about the solar system and exploring the different planets. We have finished our work comparing the ancient civilisations of the world. It surprised us that there were so many similarities across the world. We now understand the different time zones, vegetation belts and biomes of the world and how the climate affects what can survive there. We have begun to understand the motorway network of the UK and how they connect important places. Our work on pneumatics has resulted in a collection of models of useful household gadgets.

KS2 -Autumn 2

Newbold took part in the Unity Football Tournament at Hood Park, it was a Year Five and Six competition. Due to lack of numbers we were lucky enough to have some brave Year Three children that offered to take part. We narrowly missed qualifying for the Semi Final but the spirit and the way the children supported each other was commendable. In PE, we have understood the advanced basics of football, gymnastics, fitness and dodgeball.

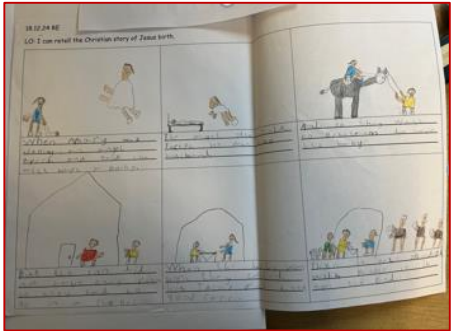


In KS2 this half term, we have been very busy writing an adventure story and a non-chronological report. Who knew we would be stranded on places like Neptune and Venus? The children have developed their use of semi-colons and relative clauses as well as alliteration for effect.

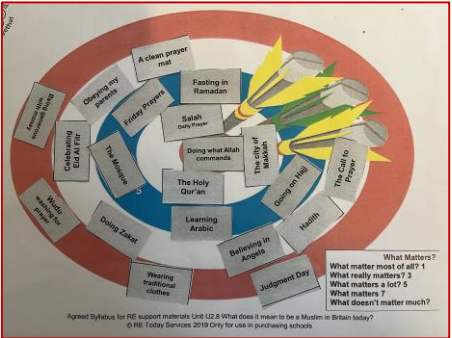
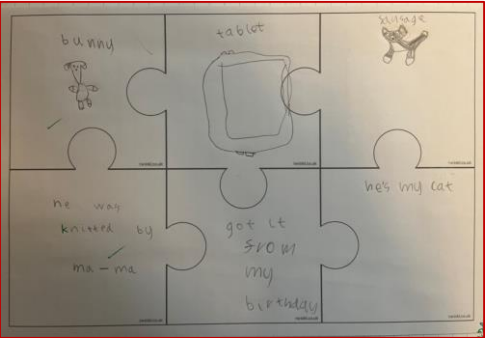
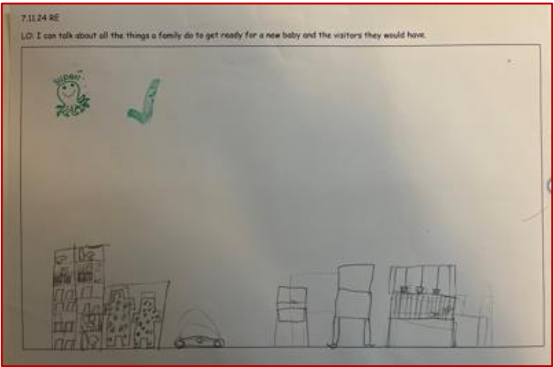
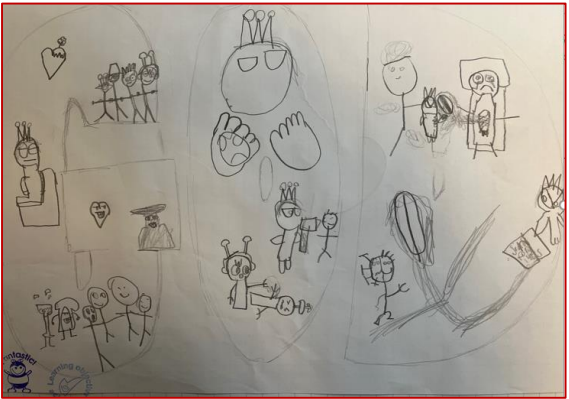
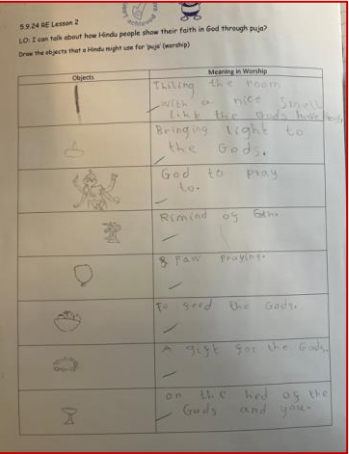
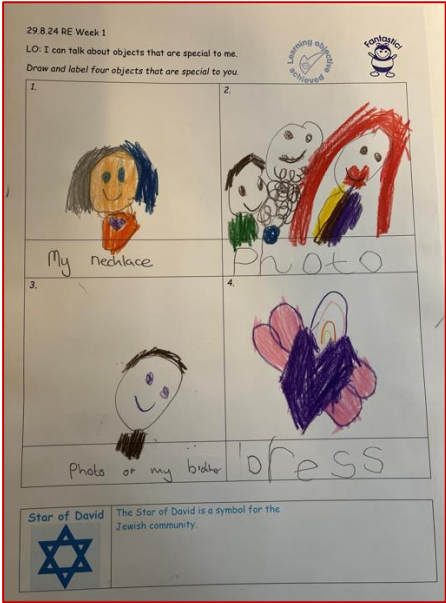
In music, we have developed our vocal skills, enjoyed Gustav Holst's 'The Planets Suite' and played the glockenspiel.

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God is.....



	Robins	Owls	Eagles
Autumn 1 2024	1.7 Who is Jewish and how do they live? Part 1	L2.8 What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?	U2.8 What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today? [Tawhid/ <u>iman</u> / <u>ibadah</u>]
Autumn 2 2024	1.3 Why does Christmas Matter to Christians? (Incarnation)	L2.2 What is like for someone to follow God? [People of God]	U2.1 What does it mean if Christians believe God is holy and loving? [God] U2.3 Why do Christians believe Jesus was the Messiah? [Incarnation]



Votes for Schools

This term the whole school have continued to discuss different topical issues as part of the Votes for schools programme. This helps the children become used to thinking through different issues and learn to give their own opinion on different things.

PRIMARY 5-7 LESSON PLAN

SHOULD YOU DO MORE COOKING AT SCHOOL?

Learning objectives:

1. To think about the skills they would use if they did more cooking at school.
2. To learn about the benefits of cooking food for themselves.

Keywords:

1. Skills
2. Healthy diet
3. Ingredients

Feedback | Whole class

Voters see the results and feedback from last week's topic.

Section 1: 1-2 mins | Pair

Voters think about what they learn at school and what they would like to learn at school.

Section 2: 2-3 mins | Whole class

Voters hear that children have a less healthy diet than they used to, and that many people think cooking skills would help people to eat more healthily. They are introduced to their VoteTopic question "Should you do more cooking at school?"

Section 3: 3-5 mins | Pair

Voters consider the different ways that cooking skills can help their hand muscles develop. They see a picture and a skill on the screen and talk to their partner to decide what the missing letter at the start of each word is. They share ideas about how to use equipment safely.

Section 4: 3-5 mins | Whole class

Voters hear some statements about the benefits of cooking for yourself. They shout "true" or "false" for each statement before seeing the correct answer.

Section 5: 3-5 mins | Whole class

Voters see a list of ingredients and a blurry picture. They use these clues to guess what each item is. They hear that cooking for yourself helps you understand what is in your food.

Section 6: 30 secs | Whole class

Voters see two opinions about the VoteTopic and point to the opinion that they agree with the most.

Voting | Whole class

Voters review the Yes/No arguments before casting their votes. Please login to your Vfs account to log votes.

PRIMARY 7-11 LESSON PLAN

SHOULD COOKING GET MORE TIME IN THE CURRICULUM?

Learning objectives:

1. To consider whether spending more time cooking in school would be helpful.
2. To understand the benefits cooking can have on our minds and bodies.

Keywords:

1. Cooking
2. Curriculum
3. Healthy diet

Feedback | Whole class

Voters see the results and feedback from last week's topic.

Section 1: 2-3 mins | Pair

Voters reflect on the subjects they currently learn in school as well as the subjects they would like to learn more about.

Section 2: 2-3 mins | Whole class

Voters find out about a recent report which found that children's diets are less healthy now than in the previous decade. Then they are introduced to this week's VoteTopic question.

Section 3: 5-10 mins | Whole class

Voters hear some statements about cooking. They shout true or false when they have heard each one.

Section 4: 10-12 mins | Whole class / Pair

Voters begin by naming commonly used ingredients. They are then presented with a list of ingredients and a blurred photo, which they have to use to name the final product. Voters then have a health and safety reminder before moving on to the next section.

Section 5: 5-10 mins | Whole class / Pair

Voters interpret a pie chart based on how one school has decided to divide time between subjects in their curriculum in one term.

Section 6: 2-3 mins | Whole class

Voters read two opinions based on this week's VoteTopic question. They point to the opinion they agree with the most.

Voting | Whole class

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Reading Challenge

The reading challenge, organised by Mrs McLeod, is a great way to encourage children to read. The children can win prizes as they read at home. Lots of children have won prizes this term.



Points	Prize
15	Bookmark and pen
25	Mini puzzle
40	Funky pencil
75	Ring the school bell in the morning
100	10 minutes extra playtime
150	Non-uniform day on one Friday
175	Hot chocolate and a story with Ms Hitchman



Clubs

School Clubs

Our after-school clubs will run from Monday 2nd September to Thursday 17th October

Monday: Battlestations Archery all classes

Tuesday: Art Club all classes

Wednesday: Drama all classes

Thursday: Multi Sports all classes

Our after-school clubs will run from Monday 28th October to Thursday 12th December

Monday: Nerf Wars all classes

Tuesday: Art Club all classes

Wednesday: Drama all classes

Thursday: Multi Sports all classes



The art club decorated a tree for St Matthew's church Worthington.

Kindness Challenge

w/b 30.9.24

As part of the NSPPC Kindness challenge we found out about Childline and we thought about others and how we treat them. We took a sheet home to record some of the ways that we have thought of others during the week.

KINDNESS ACTS

Choose the kindness acts you'll do across a week as part of the Kindness Challenge. Spread a little kindness across your school community while helping Childline be there for more children.

IDEAS

- Learn something new about someone in your class.
- Ask them who, what, where, why and how questions to get the most interesting answers.
- Be kind to yourself!
- Do something positive that makes you feel good.
- Help cheer up other children at what you did so next time you're feeling down you can remember to try doing this again.
- Smile and say good morning to someone who works in your school.

WRITE AND DRAW YOUR OWN!

- ✓ Fit the club made running a birthday card.
- Helped make a meat loaf tea.
- Took clothes/bags/books to the charity shop.
- Said hello to people on her bike ride.
- Helped Grandy with shopping and heavy lifting as he had hurt his back.
- Smiled at friends coming to school.

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- ✓ I carried my reading room.
- I did my room.
- I helped with a community garden.
- I gave to a friend.
- I helped tidy up the classroom.

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WRITE AND DRAW YOUR OWN!

- ✓ kind to animals
- ✓ care for friends
- say hello

On the Wednesday the Operation encompass team came in to run a whole school workshop on Friendship. We thought about the qualities of a good friend and added them to a recipe for friendship soup. These recipes are going to be added to a display in High Cross shopping centre.

Our recipe for Friendship Soup

1 teaspoon of kindness

1 teaspoon of forgiveness

1 bowl of trust

1 pinch of sadness

2 gallons of goodness

1 gallon of respect

1 gallon of kindness

1 bucket of friendship

3 teaspoons of laughter

1 teaspoon of madness

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Our recipe for Friendship Soup

- 3 cups of goodness
- 1 bowl of persistence
- 1 bowl of silliness
- 1 spoon of safety
- 1 tea spoon of laughter
- 1 pinch of sadness
- 1 cup of trust

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MacMillan Coffee Morning



On Friday 27th September some of the year 6 children helped to sell drinks and cakes brought in by the school staff to family and community visitors at our MacMillan coffee morning.

We were delighted to raise over £77.73 for Macmillan, including the coffee morning and the cake sale, a big thank you to Little Ducklings who donated their mornings takings.

Competitions



We continue to have the opportunity to take part in the cross country organised by Unity Schools Partnership.



We entered the TT Rockstars competition.



Well done and a big thank you to our amazing team of footballers who we to the Ashby Competition. We scored some amazing goals, didn't concede one and narrowly missed out on the semi-finals but played fantastically and held our own against teams of Y5/6s - which is astounding as two of our team are year 3!

Environmental Crimes Workshop

Eagles 8.10.24



Y5 Maths Enrichments

The Year 5's went to Griffydam to take part in a Maths challenge afternoon, they competed well, came second and learnt about solving puzzles under pressure.



KS1 Multi-skills

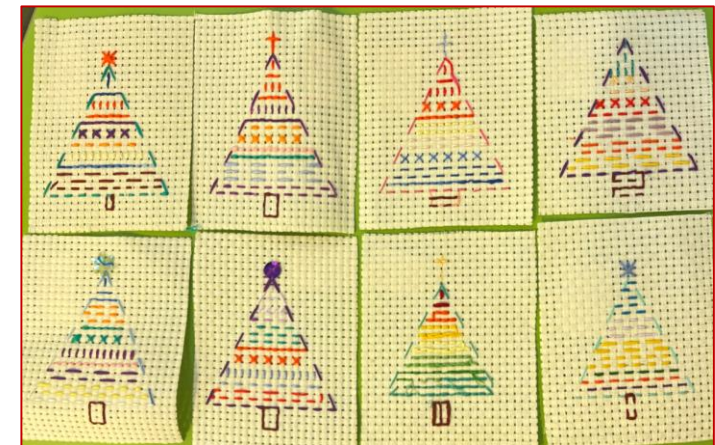
On 16th October Year one and two went to the Interschool Multi-skills Festival in Ashby School's sports hall. They really enjoyed the activities and especially liked that they had to challenge themselves to keep going. Well done Robins!



Volunteering



We are also very grateful to Mrs Mcleod and Mrs Farmer for running Little Ducklings each Friday morning. Our pre-school children and their carers have fun playing and meeting others in our school mobile. Also thanks to Mr Greening for offering to help in the office during the morning.



Mrs Mack has continued to come in to help Robins with their art & design. This term we have been making a plasticine fairground and sewing Christmas bookmarks.

LCFC

Leicester City gave out reduced tickets Newbold pupils and their families to watch a their woman's Team play on 16th November. They even displayed our name at half time.



Community lunches

On November 12th Julie cooked a lovely community lunch which was served by our year 6 volunteers.



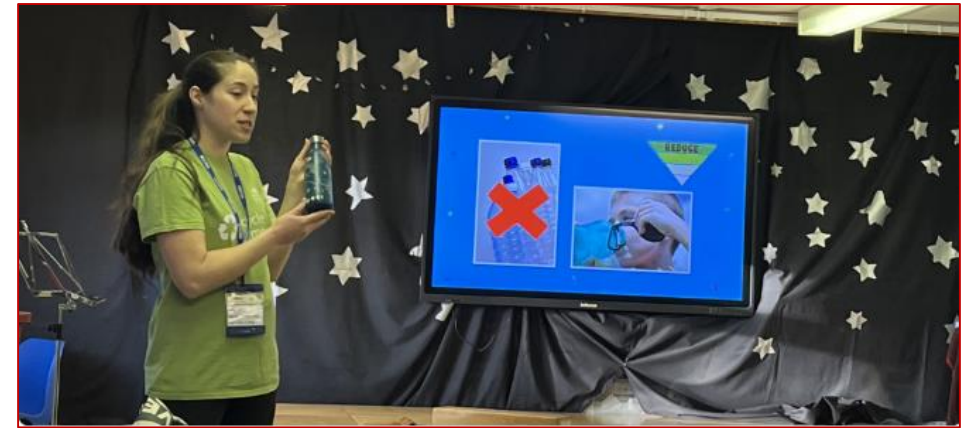
Air Ambulance Visit

On November 18th we had a special visit from Vicky, who shared the incredible, lifesaving work of The Air Ambulance Service. During the assembly, the children learned about a free to join children's club called The Crew.

<https://theairambulanceservice.org.uk/childrens-air-ambulance/the-crew/>



Recycling Workshop



This week we were lucky enough to have an ex pupil deliver an environmental and recycling assembly. Lily had attended school here 20 years ago. We hope she enjoyed being back at school. She remind us to recycle all sorts of objects that households often forget' including toilet rolls which can be added to the cardboard.

Lunch with Ms. Hitchman

On the last day of each half term children are chosen to have lunch with Ms. Hitchman if they are chosen as the happy lunch time champions.

Three children were chosen to have lunch with Ms. Hitchman as Happy Lunchtime champions on the last day before our half term break and another three just before Christmas.



Children in Need

We all dressed up for Children in Need to raise money. The school council decided that everyone should do challenges to raise money for Children in Need this year. The children volunteered to do different activities and took on the challenges during breaktime. We raised over £90 for Children in Need. Well done to the school council for all their ideas and hard work. Thank you to everyone for your support.

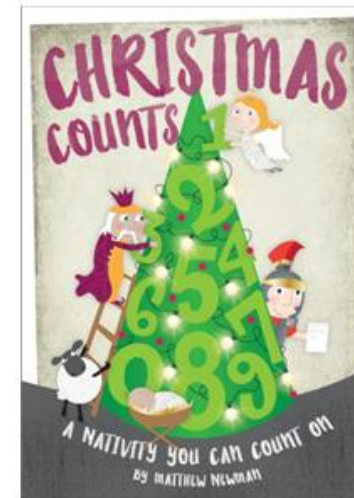


Christmas Play

This year our nativity was called Christmas Countdown. The children work hard to perform the nativity story to everyone. There was a lot of counting in the songs and we counted people, shepherds, sheep, camels and kings but we remembered that there was only one baby and he was born to change the world.

Nativity 2024

Christmas Counts By Matthew Newman



Christmas Crafting Afternoon

On Friday, 6th December the wider school community was invited into school to make craft together with the children. Everyone could choose which activities they wanted to do and work together to make their Christmas decorations.



On Sunday 8th December some of our school community entertained the people who attended the Coleorton Christmas Fayre. Many thanks to Ms Hitchman, Mr and Mrs Greening and the members of FONS who made the afternoon so special.

Reverse Advent Calendar

We opened our advent calendars each day in our classes and brought a donation in for the Ashby Food Bank.



KS2 Tree Planting Measham Monday, 9th December



The children travelled to Measham to plant trees, organized by Leicester City community support group. This supports our work around protecting our environment and our school commitment to work towards being carbon zero. We worked hard and planted 74 trees opposite the Measham car boot field. Keep an eye on how that part of the National Forrest is growing and feel proud that we have made a difference to the oxygen levels!



Christmas Jumper Day



We wore our Christmas jumpers on Friday, 13th December.

Christmas Dinner



On 13th December we enjoyed our Christmas dinner together. Thank you Julie for cooking it for us, it was yummy.



Thank you to Mr Farmer and Mr McLeod for donating a Christmas tree to school.



Christmas Carol Service at Worthington Church

The community came to join us for a carol service on Thursday, 12th December at St Matthew's Church Worthington.



FONS

Friends of Newbold School once again ran a fantastic Christmas Fayre on Friday 13th December. There was lots of food to eat and gifts to buy and games and crafts. Thank you to FONS for arranging this for us.



Secret Santa

The children were surprised with a Secret Santa gift.

Beauty and the Beast Musical

On Tuesday, 17th December the whole school travelled to Birmingham to watch a performance of Beauty and the Beast at the Crescent Theatre in Birmingham. It is always an exciting experience to see a live performance.



Christmas Journey

On Wednesday 18th December Mrs Greening and Mrs Farmer took the year two children to Ashby to go to the Christmas Journey event at Ashby Methodist church. We had a special time journeying through the nativity story and visiting the different characters in the story including the amusing stable animals. We also thought about how the nativity story fits into the Big Story of the Bible.

Afterwards the children made a tree bauble, heard the story of Babushka and compared the Methodist Church building to St Matthew's Church Worthington. Afterwards we walked along to the Bupa Care Home in Ashby to sing our songs to the residents.





Christingles

St Matthew's Church Worthington organised all the resources for us to continue to make a Christingle each to take home. We learnt about the symbolism of each part for Christians.

Christmas Party

All the children enjoyed their Christmas party.



Staff Retirements

Mrs Stanton and Mr Harris both retired in the Autumn term. We wish them both well and we will miss them both.



End of Term Achievement Assembly

On the last day of term the whole school and wider school community enjoyed listening to our musicians and watching our a dance performed by the children who had attended the performing arts clubs. We also awarded Star of the term prizes for a child in each key stage and the John Burnett cup for a child who had made good progress.

