



The 4 Bees Newsletter

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MUD GLORIOUS MUD!



As you have no doubt noticed, the children have been having fun with our Outdoor Play and Learning Programme, although this has resulted in rather muddy clothes and shoes this week (apologies for this!). Yesterday we ran an OPAL assembly and have reminded the children that they must put on wellies if they are on any part of the grass, and if they are in the Mud Pit they must wear a snowsuit. If your child is one who likes to play in the mud we would be grateful if you could send them in with a change of clothes in case they slip and become covered.



We continue to develop the OPAL programme and the next exciting stage is the digging of a sandpit over by Turtles Class—we have secured some volunteers and now just need to confirm a date and buy materials. In the meantime, the children have been having fun building dens, and have written a 'wishlist' for more equipment—if you have any of the following spare they would be very grateful:

blankets, rugs/mats, teddies/baby dolls, bean bags, rucksacks

Please bring them to the School Office. Many thanks.



Collective Worship—Beliefs Council

In our 'Values Worship' on Monday morning the Beliefs Council did a fantastic job of reciting and acting the story of Jesus calling his first disciples. (Luke, 5:1-11). The children learnt how Christians believe what an important story this is in the Bible in terms of Jesus showing his divine power, the disciples trusting Jesus and how he called 'ordinary' people to be his followers. The children showed great courage—well done!

We look forward to seeing you at our **Celebration Worship at 9.05am tomorrow morning.**

You are warmly invited for our 'Coffee Catch-up' beforehand at 8.45am.

We look forward to seeing you and would like to wish you all a lovely weekend!

Mrs Vessey

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Bee Kind Winners



- Reception— Niamh
- Year 1— Rosie
- Year 2— Ella
- Year 3— Ava
- Year 4— Meghan
- Year 5— George
- Year 6— Immanuel



Headteacher's Awards

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| Reception | Jack |
| Year 1 | Lily |
| Year 2 | Aiban |
| Year 3 | Olivia |
| Year 4 | Eliza |
| Year 5 | Hudson |
| Year 6 | Megan
George G. |



Autism Reality Experience

As you may know the school is currently taking part in the Essex PINS (Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools) project—a national pilot which aims to improve outcomes for neurodivergent children and increase inclusivity in mainstream primary schools, whilst building relationships and communication with parents/carers. As part of this project we were lucky enough to have the Autism Reality Experience Bus in school yesterday and all staff, and several parents, were able to have a virtual experience of what it is like to live with autism. The experience was certainly eye-opening and everyone who participated felt it had increased their understanding of the day-to-day difficulties faced by people with autism or neurodiversity. We are now hoping to use this experience to improve our practice. Please remember there is an opportunity for those parents of neurodivergent children to let us know how, as a school, we can improve our inclusion of neurodivergent pupils at the **Family Forum to be held at 2.00pm on Wednesday 22nd January in the school hall.**



Dates for your Diary

Year 5/6 Indoor Athletics— Monday 27th January
at Forest Hall School

Class Assemblies (9.05am Friday):

Octopus Class—Friday 7th February

Marlin Class— Friday 28th February

Turtle Class— Friday 14th March

Starfish Class — Friday 21st March

Shark Class—Friday 28th March

Book Week Dress-up 'Wonderful Words' Day—Friday 7th March—
Celebration Worship 9.05am

Half-Term: 17th-21st February

Free Yoga and Pret-A-Manger Food!

Please come and collect some free food from Pret-a-Manger between 6.00-6.15pm tonight, provided by Touchpoint. Also, if you would like to try a free yoga session with Che, she is running sessions in our hall from 7-8pm every Wednesday. Please bring a mat/step if you have one, if not these can be provided. Please wear loose clothing.



Scores on the Doors!

Water	157
Fire	213
Earth	225
Air	127

Congratulations to Earth who are the winners (again) this week!



[Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](https://www.saferinternet.org.uk)

This site offers invaluable advice for parents and carers trying to ensure their child is safe online.

It offers advice and resources to ensure children use laptops, smartphones, smart speakers, games consoles and social media safely and responsibly.

[saferinternet.org.uk](https://www.saferinternet.org.uk)