



Newsletter – Tuesday 3rd May 2022

Educating 'for life in all its fullness.'

Attendance

Week Ending 29th April:

Reception	90.7%
Class 1	97.0%
Class 2	96.5%
Class 3	99.3%
Class 4	98.0%
Class 5	96.0%
Class 6	95.3%
Overall	96.1%

Attendance Champions:
Class 3 - Congratulations.

Our school attendance expectation is 97%. Well done to everyone who achieved this.



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Values for Life

This half term in collective worship we are focusing upon the value of: **WISDOM**

This week's focus will be:
JUDGEMENT

'A person may think their own ways are right, but the Lord weighs the heart.'
Proverbs 21:2



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Dinner Debate

This week's question to debate with family and friends at home:

'If you had one wish, what would it be?'

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you managed to have a lovely bank holiday weekend.

What are we learning this half term?

You can now find our [Summer 1 Curriculum Overviews](#) on the school website.

At Ackworth Howard we believe in nurturing our pupils through their personal development journey to achieve readiness to become global citizens, equipped with the tools for life long living and learning.

We aim to achieve this through interweaving core Christian values; thought-provoking and philosophical questions around local and global issues; dedicated time during class and whole school worship to develop as Global Citizens; a rich Personal, Social, Health Education (PSHE) curriculum and effective Religious Education lessons.

Each half term we focus on a core Christian value - this half term it is 'Wisdom'. This goes hand in hand with our Global Citizenship thread of 'Resilience', which is further complemented by our PSHE unit 'No Way Through Isn't True' - Knowing there is a way through every situation no matter how impossible it may seem.

You can find out more about our curriculum in the curriculum section of our website which includes the Curriculum Brochure and Knowledge Essentials for each subject.

<https://www.ackworthhowardschool.co.uk/curriculum>

Parish Links

Year 6 have featured in Reverend Paul's Sunday services over the weekend and in his recent video reflection that can be found on our [Facebook page](#). The children have enjoyed sharing their African drum skills with the local community, 'beating the drum of the future.'

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Inclusion Team Newsletter

The Inclusion Team in school have produced a newsletter update which includes information about the team, support available in school and signposts to other resources and guidance.

If you need to speak to any member of the Inclusion Team, please contact the office on 01977 612124 to arrange an appointment.

[Inclusion Team Newsletter – Summer Term](#)

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Diary Dates

May

- 4th - Jubilee Tree Planting (Ackworth Parish Council Initiative)
- 5th - Community Council Meeting
- 5th - St. Cuthbert's Visit Year 2
- 6th - Year 1 Geography Fieldwork Local Walk
- 9th-12th KS2 SATs Week
- 18th - Y2 Charles Waterton Workshop
- 23rd - Rev. Paul Worship
- 27th - Queens Jubilee Celebration
- 27th - School Closes (Spring Bank Holiday)

June

- 6th - INSET Day (Teacher Training)
- 7th - School Reopens (Summer 2)
- 9th - Y4 Concert for Ukraine with Ackworth School
- 9th - Class Photographs
- 15th - Father's Day HSA Sale
- 20th - Year 1 Class Worship (Parents/Carers Invited 9:15am)
- 21st - Reception Class Worship (Parents/Carers Invited 9:15am)
- 21st RSPB Old Moor Visit Y2

July

- 1st - Sports Day
- 12th-14th - Year 5 Northumberland Residential
- 15th - School Reports Issued
- 20th - Y6 Production (Parents/Carers Invited 4:30pm)
- 22nd - Year 6 Leavers Service
- 22nd - School Closes for Summer
- 25th - INSET Day
- 26th - Queens Jubilee Bank Holiday Re-allocation.





Pupil Leadership

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It has been inspiring to work with various pupil leader groups, reviewing the impact they have had so far this year. They were extremely proud to see the difference they have made and rightly so! The children are looking forward to sharing their presentations in worship today and to Governors this afternoon during the School Development Committee meeting.



Wishbone Day

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In worship on Friday we will be supporting Brittle Bones awareness as it is Wishbone Day. Below is a link with information from the Brittle Bone Society.

We have a child in school with Osteogenesis Imperfecta and the children are incredibly caring and compassionate towards him and fully aware of his condition.

If you would like to donate to the charity, you can do so by following this [link](#).

Get Creative for the Jubilee

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Ackworth Parish Council are inviting children to get creative and make bright, bold and colourful pictures to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

A collage will be created of the artwork and will be displayed on a banner at Carr Bridge Pavilion. Children do not need to limit themselves to drawings and paintings, if they'd like to create a 3D model, they'll display them in the Community Centre on Bell Lane.

Please return any entries to Ackworth Parish Council, Parish Council Community Centre, Bell Lane by Friday 20th May.

House Points Last Week:

- Cirrus – 745
- Cumulus – 745
- Stratus – 722
- Nimbus – 678

Well done Cirrus & Cumulus!



Luke Howard:
'Namer of the Clouds.' (1772–1864)



Mathematicians and Writers...

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Year 6 have been investigating units of measures, looking at imperial and metric measurements and converting between the two. In English they have looked at instructional texts, using bullet points and imperative verbs to write a recipe for other children.

The Explorer...

Year 5 have been producing some wonderful writing having been inspired by their new class novel - 'The Explorer' and thoroughly enjoyed immersing themselves in a virtual tour of the Amazon Rainforest to produce excellent descriptions. They have shown excellent creativity in developing jungle-themed metaphors!



Little Red Riding Hood

The children in Nursery and Reception have enjoyed a variety of activities based on the story of Little Red Riding Hood. They decided to make a picnic to take to Granny's house. The children have learnt how to make a sandwich by carefully spreading butter on the bread and adding a filling, before cutting it into halves and quarters. All the children enjoyed their special snack. Before the children in Reception ate their sandwich, they re-enacted the story in our school grounds using the new willow structures as locations in the story. They are starting to look great now that they are blooming!

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Statutory Assessments:
Please note that this year's statutory assessments are:
Year 1 Phonics Check (Wk Beg 6th June)
Year 2 SATs (May 2022)
Year 6 SATs (Wk Beg 9th May)
It is expected that children attend school during these dates.

Eyam – The Plague

Growth in MIND

Year 4 have been learning all about the Plague! They have time travelled back to the village of Eyam in their immersive lessons, re-enacting how the plague came to Eyam and applying this to their writing.

DFE/NFER Tests

Growth in MIND

Year 2 were excellent ambassadors for the school on Thursday when they trialled SATs in maths for the NFER. Everyone worked with enthusiasm and were determined to show our special visitor how much they have learnt and understood.

Howard Family Celebration Worship

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The following children have been recognised for their:

- Outstanding achievements through the school week:
Theo M (Rec), Carter (Y1), Grace (Y2), Jasmine (Y3), Grace (Y4), Grace (Y5) and Sam (Y6).
- Living our Christian values:
Mark (Rec), Raven (Y1), Millie (Y2), Leo (Y3), Lydia (Y4), Abigail (Y5) and Oliver (Y6).
- Living our school vision:
Mark (Rec), Raven (Y1), Millie (Y2), Leo (Y3), Lydia (Y4), Abigail (Y5) and Oliver (Y6).

Congratulations to the Year 1 boys for working well together and understanding one another.

The Golden Welly Award this week goes to:

Teddy and Charlie, for their adventurous team work during den building.



Thank you for your continued support, take care and have a lovely week.

Mr Michael Walker – Headteacher

Proud of our partnership with Mshikamano (Solidarity) Primary School
Bega Kwa Bega (Shoulder to Shoulder)

