Psalm 119 (105) "Your word is a lamp to guide me and a light for my path."

## Spring 22024

It does only seem like Christmas was only a few weeks ago, however when we reflect on this busy ferm we realise how much we have all achieved.
This term children have enjoyed a range of trips and sports competitions; these were made even more exciting by the trips on a coach! Yesterday we celebrated our RE learning through our Easter service. The children shared a range of insightful comments, songs and prayers and reminded us of the importance of this festival for Christians. We were delighted so many of you were able to attend and celebrate with us.

A reminder $15^{\text {th }}$ April is an INSET day and the school term resumes for all children on $16^{\text {th }}$ April. We wish you all a wonderful Easter break.

## Nursery and Preschool

Nursery and Preschool have been getting ready for Easter and making lots of wonderful Easter creations. As well as

decorating eggs,
they have also made chicks and some delicious chocolate Easter nests.

## Pause day- $25^{\text {th }}$ March

On Monday we spent the morning 'pausing' from our usual activities and routines and engaged in a range of fun activities focused around the Easter story. Across the morning children visited each classroom and tried a different activity.
In Mrs Baker's class the children heard the story of Knuffle Bunny too by Mo Williems. Using their own toys, they thought about how difficult it can be to give up something that is really precious to you and drew comparisons with the Easter story.


If you would like to share this story again with your child, it can be heard here.

## Vision and values

A reminder of our school vision:
Rooted in Christian values, seek within, wonder why, reach out, aim high. This term the value of focus has been Koninoia which is Greek word referring to Christian fellowship.
The children understand this to mean reaching out to others and supporting each other and our community.
Today we presented our values awards to:
Reception- Scarlett
Year 1-Aleksandra
Year 2- Evan

Forest School Year 1 began forest school after half term. Although the weather has been less than kind, this hasn' $\dagger$ stopped them making the most of the outdoors. Last week they made faces from mud using
 natural materials for the features.

Change to school times from September 2024

From September it is a requirement that all schools offer 32.5 hours of education across the week. Currently main school hours are still under this by 25 minutes.
In order to meet the requirements and ensure parents can still get to other surrounding schools on time, from September 2024, main school class doors will be open from 8.30 am to 8.40 am .
The end of day will still be 3pm.
Nursery and Pre-school start and end time remain unchanged.

## Sports stars

Today we presented the awards for gymnastics to:

Reception
Most improved: Bella and Wilbur
Star performers: Cece and Otto
Year 1
Most improved: Isabelle S and Charlie W Star performers: Max and Amelia-Grace

Year 2:
Most improved: Arlo and Laurelin
Star performers: Rui and Olivia


## Wedding bells

Over Easter Miss Johnson will be getting married. Yesterday the children presented her with wedding cards and heard all about some of the important features of the wedding.
When she returns after Easter she will be known as Mrs Miles. We wish her, Mr Miles and their girls a fabulous day.

