NEWSLETTER







May 2023

Over the last 3 weeks, the whole school has been learning about different aspects of the coronation and they have been able to share their learning with each other.

On Friday, we came together as the whole school and buried a time capsule containing images of the different learning we have been doing for future generations of St Wilfrid's pupils to discover in 30 years time. We hope they provide them with a small insight into what the event was about and how the children learned about the various aspects.

We hope the following pictures give you an idea of what we have been learning and there will be the usual celebration worship on the website with more images from our projects.



Language of the week

Every week at St Wilfrid's we focus on a `Language of the Week'. This helps us to celebrate the many different languages spoken by our school community. To see all the different languages we celebrate, see our dedicated webpage <u>St Wilfrid's C of E Primary -</u>

Language of the week (stwilfrids-hh.school)







More Coronation Project photos...



Before Easter, Reception to Year 5 spent the morning with their buddy year groups (Reception with Year 3, Year 1 with Year 4 and Year 2 with Year 5) going around the stations of the cross. At each station there was an opportunity to reflect and learn more about the Easter story. We were delighted to be joined by Father Edward, Reverend Martin and Father David as well as Janneke Blokland, who is chaplain at Hurst College. Alongside, Mr Hateley and the Year 5 worship crew, they each spoke to the children at the different stations.





PE and Sport at St Wilfrid's Cross Country – Years 3 and 4

On a very cold but sunny afternoon, sixteen children from year 4 attended the cross-country event at Newick Playing Fields. The girls and boys raced separately and had to run a total of 1.3km! All children demonstrated excellent endurance and resilience during what was a really challenging race. Well done to the boys for placing 6th overall and to the girls for placing 3rd overall. It was fantastic to see them all representing St Wilfrid's with such confidence and enjoyment.

Indoor Cricket Tournament

A group of year 5 and 6's attended an indoor cricket tournament at The Triangle. It was the first cricket tournament of the year, so was a great opportunity to practice some fielding and batting skills. The team placed third overall and we are looking forward to see how we can further develop our cricket team in the summer term.

Rugby Festival

A group of year 6 boys and year 6 girls went to a rugby festival held at Haywards Heath Rugby Club. For some of them, this was the first time they had played rugby. Both teams showed resilience in the freezing cold to learn how to accurately pass a rugby ball, how to attack and defend, and how to score a try. The children also showed determination in sticking to the rule that you must only pass the ball backwards.



PE and Sport at St Wilfrid's Netball A and B Teams

At Downlands Community School, our year 5 and 6 netball teams took part in the Mid-Sussex annual netball tournament. It was a really exciting event, and it was great to see St Wilfrids show so such enthusiasm and pride throughout the day. All children worked tirelessly to ensure they were defending and attacking effectively, and also that they were following the footwork and passing rules accurately at the same time.

The B team played against 4 schools. They won 2 of their games and drew 2 - with only one goal conceded by St Wilfs in total. This meant that the B team came 2nd in their pool and therefore made it through to the semi-final, which was against St Lawrence, the winners of the other pool. Unfortunately, we didn't win this game, but we were very proud to have ended as semi-finalists! The A team played against 6 schools. They won 4 of their games and drew 2 - again, with only one goal conceded in total! We ended as 3rd place in our pool, which meant that we did not make the semi-finals. However, we were gutted to later hear that the scores had actually been miscounted and found out that we should have placed 2nd. Although, as the semi-finals and final had already taken place, there unfortunately wasn't much we could do. We are very proud of how the A team have handled this with maturity and are delighted with their success.



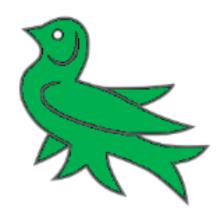


WHAT IS GOOD ATTENDANCE?					
190 days	180 days	178 days	163 days	6 days	143 days
100%	95%	94%	86%	85%	75%
Good		Worrying		Serious Concern	
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Only I-2 day missed per term		Between 3-8 days missed per term		More than 9 days missed per term	

This half term, we focus on our school value 'INQUIRE' and in our worships and in class we will spend time reflecting on what this means both in school and out of school.

Attendance Update

Please see the chart below for our latest attendance figures for the school year so far. Our overall attendance figure is now at 94.8% and, while this is currently above the National average for primary schools, it is still below our target for this year. However, the attendance figure has continued to improve.



'Put things to the test; keep what is good.' 1 Thessalonians 5:21

