

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

I want to start by saying a huge thank you for supporting us during this week of extreme heat. We have tried to support both those of you who are working and those of you who want to have your children at home during the hottest part of the day. Whilst there are always lessons to learn, it has felt to us that the balance we hoped for has been achieved and children have been able to continue to access their learning, as well as enjoy quieter times to try and stay cool. On your behalf I would like to extend my thanks to all the staff for a week of creativity regarding ways to keep a classroom of children as cool as possible! A huge thank you also to Sadie, Kim and Sam in the kitchen, who have continued to ensure that your children have a variety of nutritious food, despite the soaring temperatures.

In Collective Worship this week, we thought some more about our Value for June of Peace. We thought together about Jesus saving his disciple, Peter, when he was in danger of drowning and reminded ourselves of Jesus telling his followers –

‘Blessed are the peacemakers’

We then spent some time quietly thinking about ways to still ourselves and find peace. I shared with the children something that I often use and that is easy to remember because all the children need is their hand!



Starting with their thumbs, the children can think about God and all the things that he is, for example mighty, awesome or loving. For children without a faith, it was an opportunity to pause and think about the world they live in, its scale, size and beauty.

Moving on, we used our index finger to think about the things we have to say thank you for – it was a very long list!

Our middle finger gave us the opportunity to remember when we have got it wrong, the things we need to say sorry for.

The ring finger helped us to focus on the people or places where we would like to see change.

And finally, our little finger gave us time to think about the things that we need, to ask God for them and to consider how we can help ourselves.

We closed by thinking again about ‘Blessed are the Peacemakers’. It is the challenge for all of us; to be the Peacemakers in our schools, our work places and our homes. At the end of a very long and hot week, when sleep has been hard to come by, being Peacemakers is perhaps even harder for us to achieve than usual! Nonetheless, we all need Peacemakers, so this weekend, despite the challenges, I encourage us all to be Peacemakers whenever and wherever we can.

News from Around the School – The Wild Walk

A huge thanks to the team of Friends who organised our Wild Walk on Monday. If you have any more sponsorship money at home, please do send it in so that we can announce a grand total! The morning was a lot of fun, with children enjoying challenging themselves, as well as escaping (or not) the water pistols! Year 5 achieved the most laps of the course and will be presented with a trophy next week – well done Year 5.

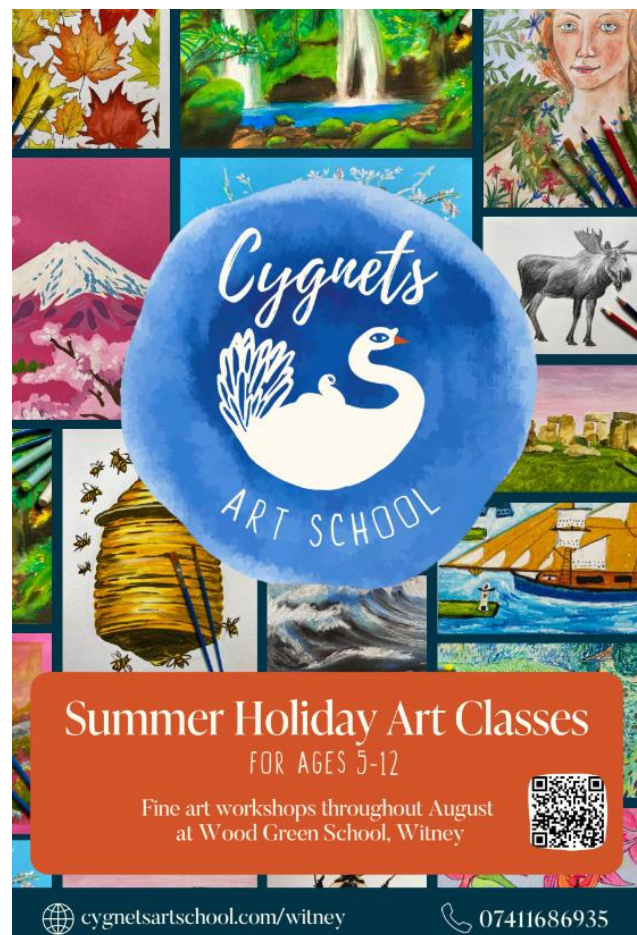




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School Fete

Don't forget that our school fete is coming up on Friday 3rd July.

Every year group is looking for donations and The Friends would love to have more volunteers to help on the day.

Please do plan to stay after school next week, support our stalls and listen to the choir.



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WEAVE TRUTH WITH TRUST

Fundraising event at Witney Mills cricket club
SUNDAY 28th JUNE
10am - 4pm

STALLS
RAFFLE TICKETS
BBQ
CLUB BAR
WMCC Club Cricket - All Day

Recruitment

We are looking for a Teaching Assistant to join our team from September. If you, or anyone you know, is interested in applying, please do look at the details on [My New Term](#).

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