

Newsletter

News from Mr Edwards-Grundy

This week in school we have been thinking a lot about community.

It is one of the great joys of being part of a school that we are a community, we celebrate together and we are sad together too. In Collective Worship this week we thought about how being in community helps us trust, because if we can trust one another we can learn to trust ourselves more too.

Sometimes we all face challenges. These challenges may relate to circumstances, relationships, health or learning. Each of us has to learn to take risks, to trust ourselves with things that are new or different, to be brave in our decision making. To trust yourself can however be hard and that is where being part of community is so important. Community can give us hope when we feel hopeless, courage when we are afraid, inspiration when we are defeated and encouragement when the journey is long.

Learning to trust others does not always come easily to us though, we can prefer to hide away, stuck in what we know. It is my experience however that trust is almost always worth the risk, it takes us to new places, offers us new opportunities and gives us someone to travel with.

In school we are often encouraging your children to stretch their trust, to trust themselves in taking new and unfamiliar steps and to trust others to help them along the way.

On the staffroom notice-board this week has been a quote from Corrie Ten Boom, who was imprisoned in an internment camp during World War Two.

"Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God"

Like Corrie, I have found this to be true, over and over again. I do not know what lies ahead, but travelling with a community around me and secure in the knowledge that God knows and holds the future in his hands, I have courage to try new things, make brave decisions and face them all with hope.

This weekend I encourage you to, like your children, take a risk and stretch your trust, you never know where it may lead you.



Loving, learning and flourishing in community

We will remember them

This week, around the school, children have taken time to pause and remember those who have served in periods of conflict. It was fitting that Mr Walker's class, in Collective Worship this morning, were sharing their learning around Michael Morpurgo's book War Horse. It was also wonderful to listen and watch a recording of our choir who sang movingly about remembering. Thank you for all your support in helping us to raise funds for the British Legion Poppy Appeal.

The artwork below was produced by the children in Year 4 who were using mixed media to create poppies. Just like the poppies in the fields, each one is different. Well done Year 4.



The Friends 100 club draw

Today the first draw of the new 100 club for this year was drawn, in the presence of an independent witness. The lucky winner was Charlie Willis – congratulation Charlie, we hope you enjoy treating yourself to something special with your winnings.