



GOLDSBOROUGH and SICKLINGHALL Federation

Half Term Newsletter: Autumn 1 Sicklinghall Community Primary School



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Week two has been another excellent week! I love my job and feel like I've been part of the family for a long time!

We started the week with our Assembly to explore the Weekly Ethos Statement: 'Try to be the rainbow in someone's cloud.' Maya Angelou. We discussed what it meant and focussed on how we can make people feel better if they're having a tricky time; the children understood that the way you make people feel can last a life time so it's important to leave a good impression.

Everyone has been working hard to earn a Head Teacher's Award sticker and many have been handed out; for great perseverance in maths, excellent handwriting, super history knowledge and for those children who have been spotted demonstrating kindness.

Cherry Blossom have been working hard learning about parts of the body in Science – the children found it very funny when I kept mixing up the body parts. Lots of laughter was heard "No Miss Pickard... they're your TOES not your NOSE!"

The Cherry Blossom classroom is undergoing a magical transformation ready for the new topic... a beautiful rainbow has appeared AND there is a castle on the wall with a special door called a drawbridge!

In Silver Birch the children have been learning about Christopher Columbus. In P.E they were demonstrating excellent throwing, bouncing and catching skills: they could challenge themselves from Level 1 (a basic bounce and catch) to Level 3 (bouncing with one hand and catching in the other) and even to Level 5 (where they had to throw the ball in the air and clap their hands together before catching it). It was such an excellent lesson to watch. They have also been exploring some introductory French phrases – bonjour! – so you could try and say a few words with them at home.

Willow class have been working hard to round very large numbers to the nearest 10,000! They started their topic on WWII too so when I popped in to revise some names (I do that most days!) the budding historians were able to talk to me about influential people like Neville Chamberlain and Charles de Gaulle!

The weekly British Values Assembly was all about 'RESPECT' – the children had an interesting discussion about the tragic fires in the Amazon Rainforest:

The Earth's rainforests contain more than half of the world's plant and animal species! They also generate lots of the oxygen that we all need to survive. It's important that they are respected by all of us, to make sure they are protected.

What an EXCITING week! I wonder what next week has in store for us...



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Harvest Service

Children will visit St Peter's Church in Sicklinghall on **Friday 4 October 2019** for an afternoon service, to which parents/carers are invited, at **2:30pm**.

Any donations of tins, packets and dry, non-perishable goods would be very gratefully received and we would ask that all donations are brought into school and left in the hall please before Wednesday 2 October. Thank you.

Following the Church service the PTFA will provide tea and coffee in the school hall.

Miss Pickard