



Week beginning: 6th March 2023

A note from.... Mrs. Lubomski

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here we are again at the end of another busy week in school.

In the last fortnight the school has celebrated the school mission of 'Learning, Living and Loving in God's name' in a variety of events.

It was lovely to see everyone in their comfy clothes on World Book Day, Y6 attended the Yorkshire Regiment's 'Freedom Parade ' on the High Street and the school joined the rest of the Bishop Wheeler Trust in marking the tenth anniversary of the start of our Trust journey on the 3rd March.

Your children have been a credit to you in each of these events as always. The shared story times on World Book Day showed the staff the care and love that exists across the age groups in school.

Y6 were fantastic ambassadors for the school at the parade and the children enjoyed the opportunity to find out more about the other children who are part of the Trust.

In the coming weeks, the school will be introducing a new programme into our Personal Development curriculum. It has been developed in partnership with the NHS and is called 'My Happy Mind'. Please find more information about it at this website: <https://myhappymind.org/>. As the name suggests, this programme is aimed at helping children to recognise and manage their feelings in different situations. There is a parent portal in the system which school will look at introducing during the summer term.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing some of you at the next Awards Assembly on 17th March 2023.

Best wishes,

Mrs Alixena Lubomski



**Last week's Award Winners
were:**

Reception and Nursery:

Stars: Ethan and Arya

Math Stars: Milan and Alexia

St George:

Stars: Ellie and Samantha

Numbots: Sara

St Patrick:

Stars: Karthik and Alex

TT Rock Stars: Harry and Sonny

St Andrews:

Stars: Ara and Aaron

TT Rock Stars: Musa and Eva

St David:

Stars: Anjaleena and Teniola

TT Rock Stars: Ava and Zach

St Christopher:

Stars: Edward and Maisie

TT Rock Stars: Harrison and Ibrahim



Our Current Virtue being focused on in school is Self-Control



Our Virtue to Live by:

Self-control

I have self-control

I speak and act calmly

"But the Spirit produces love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, humility, and self-control." (Galatians 5:22-23)

Virtues to Live by:

I show self-control

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I speak and act calmly even when I am hurt or angry.

I think before I act.

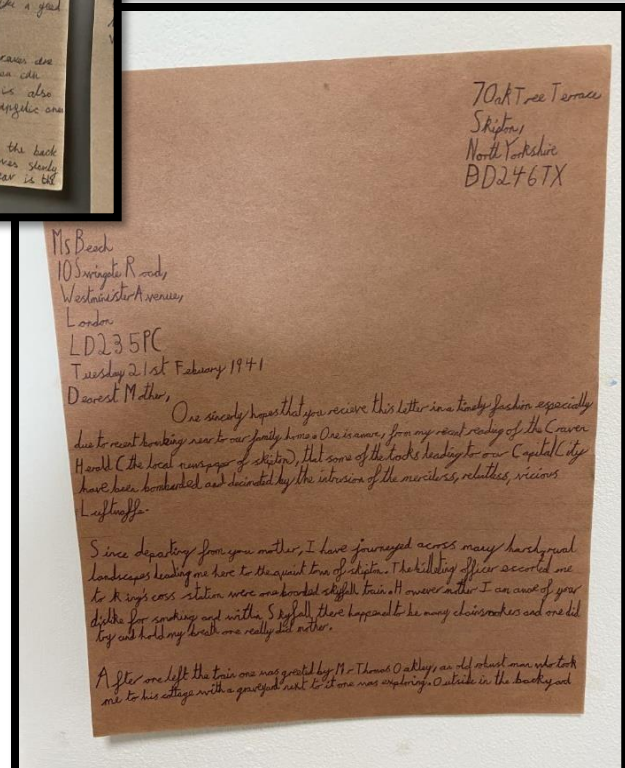
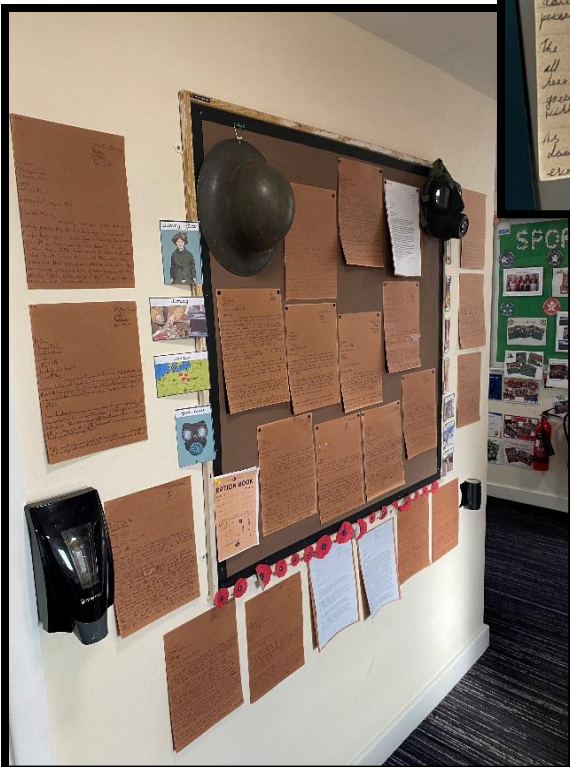
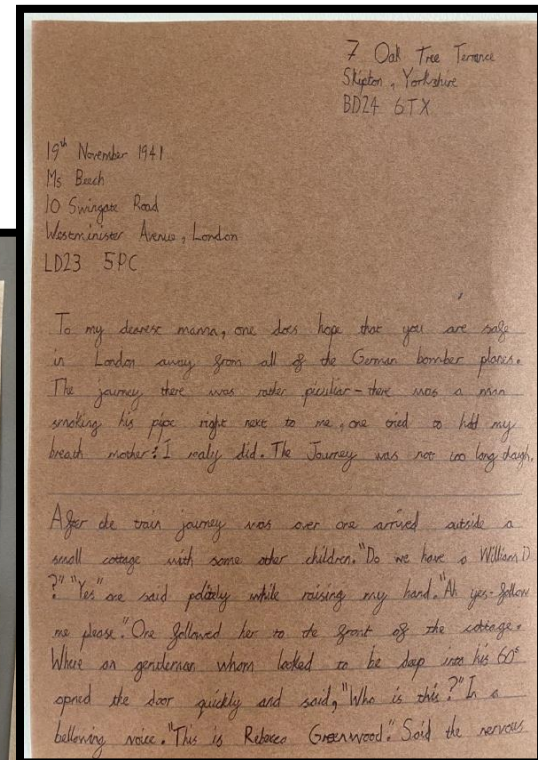
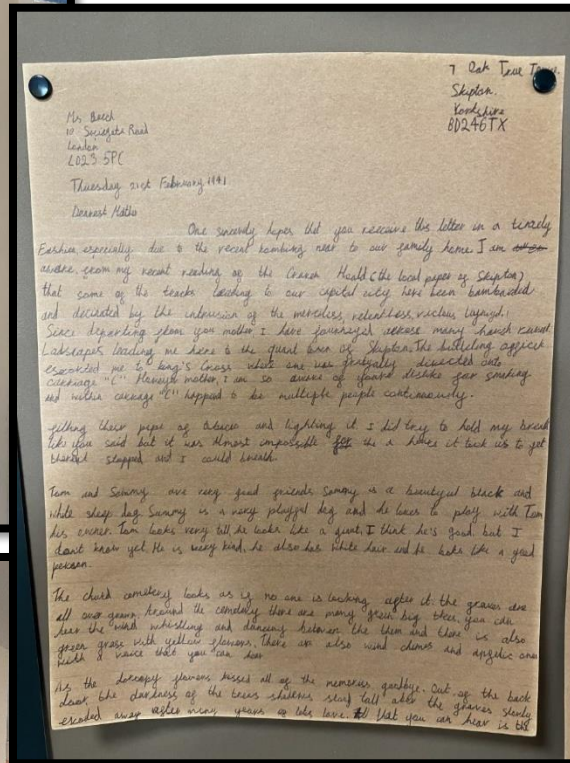
I can choose my words and actions carefully.

I keep my Lent promises.



Learning, Living and Loving one and other in God's name

This past fortnight St. Christopher have been looking at the impact of evacuation on children during 'World War 2'.



St. Christopher have also enjoyed attending the Yorkshire Regiments' Freedom Parade last week where we were the only school represented. A fun morning was had!!





Sports News



On Friday March 17th there is going to be a Leeds Utd Foundation fundraising day including a penalty shootout with the Leeds Utd mascot Kop Cat. Your child should have already brought home a letter and sponsorship form.

Alongside the Leeds Utd fundraising day St.David and St.Christopher will be going to Sandylands for a Skipton Tennis sports trilogy event where they will be playing tri-golf, dodgeball and handball.





Safeguarding News

Healthy Eating

Please remember that all packed lunches should contain healthy food. Unfortunately sweets are not a suitable item for a packed lunch. We are a nut free school and therefore we ask that all packed lunches are **NUT FREE**. Thank you for your co-operation.



Road Safety

Crossing the road

When crossing the road:



- **ALWAYS** cross at the crossing
- **ALWAYS** wait for the Green man
- **DO NOT** run across the road

Parking

When dropping off or collecting:

- **DO** use the free parking in Coach Street carpark
- **DO NOT** park in the bus stop
- Parking at the end of the Avenue is for **BLUE BADGE HOLDERS ONLY**



Please ensure that if your child comes to school on a bike or scooter that they wear a helmet. This is for their own safety and protection. Thank you for your co-operation.





Family support

We understand that times can be hard at the moment, please speak to school if you have any concerns. Below are some of the useful websites and charities who may be able to help during this difficult time which can also be found on <https://www.cravendc.gov.uk/benefits-and-advice/citizens-advice-bureau/>

National Debt Charity

Telephone **0808 808 4000**

Website www.nationaldebtline.co.uk

Payplan

Telephone **0800 917 7823**

Website www.payplan.com .

Christians against poverty (CAP)

Telephone: **0800 328 0006**

Website: <http://www.capuk.org>

Business debtline

Telephone: **0800 197 6026**

Website: www.bdl.org.uk.

The UK insolvency helpline debt advice service

Telephone: **0800 074 6918**

Email: info@insolvencyhelpline.co.uk

Website: <http://www.insolvencyhelpline.co.uk>

School Council

The School Council have been making plans to improve our outdoor playground area. Linking to one of our recent school virtues, Friendship, our plan is to create buddy bench areas. Here children will be able to sit if they need a friend to speak to and other children can recognise this and be there to support them. We have a lot of work to do but are excited to share our progress with you all.

If you would like to support us, we will be hosting a bake sale very soon to raise money for new benches. Please keep an eye out for details which will be posted in our next newsletter.





School Office Information



Dinners: Occasionally our school dinner menu will need to change at short notice due to delivery shortages. Please bear with us if your child has an unexpected different meal one day.

Parent Pay: Please remember that all dinners should be paid for through Parent Pay, preferably in advance. Children from Year 3 – 6 are required to pay for school meals at a cost £2.50 per day. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals (means tested) then please contact the school office for an application form. Nursery meals are currently charged at £1.90 per day.

Easter Egg Raffle

We are going to be holding an Easter Egg Raffle, tickets on sale next week, 20p per ticket or £1 for a strip. Tickets will be available to buy up until Thursday 30th March. All proceeds go to the Lenten Good Shepherd fund.





Dates for this Half Term

Monday 13th March	Parents' Evening booking opens on Arbor
Tuesday 14th March	Tennis Sessions Y1 and Y2
Wednesday 15th March	Y6 Visit to Crucial Crew, Eshton Grange
Friday 17th March	Awards' Assembly School Discos: EYFS, Y1 & Y2 2:15 to 3:15pm Years 3 to 6: 3:20 to 4:20pm Leeds United Fund-Raising Day
Tuesday 21st March	Y5 Visit to Science Crazy Investigations, St Mary's, Menston Tennis Sessions Y1 & Y2
Thursday 23rd March	EYFS visit to Skipton Town Hall – Halle Orchestra "Goldilocks & The Three Bears"
Monday 27th March	Mini-Vinnies Used Book & Toy Sale – School Hall 3:00-4:00pm (Proceeds for The Good Shepherd Fund)
Wednesday 29th March	Music Festival Assembly AM Parents' Evening 1: 4:00 to 6:30pm (Reception to Year 6)
Thursday 30th March	Parents' Evening 2: 3:30 to 6:00pm (Reception to Year 6) <i>More information to follow regarding nursery parents' evening</i>
Thursday 30th March	Tennis Sessions Y1 & Y2
Friday 31st March	Non-Uniform Day – bring an Easter Egg for FOSS Family Bingo Break up for Easter
Saturday 1st April	FOSS Family Bingo – School Hall – doors open 1:30pm
Monday 17th April	School Re-opens

Regular After school events:

Tuesdays	Wharfe Valley Football Years 3-6, 3:15-4:30pm
Wednesdays	Wharfe Valley Lego Club Rec. to Y6, 3:15-4:30pm
Thursdays	Choir Club 3:15-4:30pm Chaplaincy Group 3:15-4:30pm
Fridays	Wharfe Valley Multi-Sports Rec to Y3, 3:15-4:30pm