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## Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Hopefully as you read this all the children will be winding down after a very busy day today. The plan was for all the children to take part in some form of activity to do our best to support sports relief.

Michelle Dawson planned three different options for the whole school just in case the weather wasn't kind to us. With a little bit of luck our first choice of a strenuous few laps of Oxenhope football fields went ahead.

Many thanks to Michelle and all the staff for organising the event and once again thank you for all your support.

### **Out and about**

Miss Crolla and Priestley class visited Cliff Castle museum this week to take part in an eco-workshop. Next week they will attend the CLICKS Easter event at Keighley Parish Church and many of them will also join Macmillan class as they represent the school in the Keighley Cougars tag rugby competition. Miss Crolla will also be taking members of Devonshire class to a similar event too.

Last Friday Devonshire enjoyed a day at Nell Bank with our partner school St Josephs Primary School, Keighley. This was part of our ongoing work for the 'Linking School's project'.

Thank you to all of the staff for organising these events for the children. A great deal of hard work goes into planning and preparing these opportunities for all of our children.

### **Sports report.**

Well done to our netball team who played their final two matches of this year's league at Holy Family School on Monday evening.

Once again they represented us all to the best of their ability winning one game and coming close in the second game after putting in a spirited second half performance. The girls have been riding high in the league all season however they missed out on second position, and a place in the semi-finals, on goal difference. They will be very disappointed about this but I am incredibly proud of all of them for the way they have played each and every game with smiles on their faces. In my opinion the way they have supported each other throughout the competition has set them head and shoulders above the rest of the teams!

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Healthy School



Following our success in last weeks Worth Valley Primary Schools cross country competition in Haworth a number of children represented our school at the Keighley schools event in Silsden. Many thanks to the parents who took the children along to this event. Last weeks Year 4 champion, Megan Reeday, achieved second position in her race! Well done to all of you who took part.

### **Cars Maths in Motion**

Some of the children in Macmillan class have been meeting at lunchtime with Mrs King in the ICT suite since the start of the year. This was to design and race virtual racing cars against children from other local schools. They have all used their maths skills to good effect and I am proud to inform you that 'Team Oxenhope' has qualified for the finals. Good luck to them in the next round.

### **Visit from the Gideon's**

Two representatives from the Gideon's visited us for Collective Worship on Monday. This was to tell us a little bit about their work and share an inspiring story with us. Afterwards the children in Macmillan class were presented with bibles.

### **Bronte Class assembly**

Following the recent class assembly taken by Devonshire class, Bronte will be taking their turn next Friday. We hope you can all join us to find out more about all the exciting things they have learning about recently. This is another wonderful opportunity for all of our brilliant youngsters to develop their confidence and their oral presentation skills. Mums and Dad's will need to bring along a handkerchief as I am predicting that one or two 'proud' tears may be shed.

### **Governor visits**

Through-out this term members of our Governing Body have been in school to find out more about what goes in our classrooms. The children from all the classes invited their Governor 'buddy' by letter and then interviewed them to find out more about their role in our school.

Most of them stayed in lessons and joined in with the learning activities and they have all reported how welcome they were made to feel by the children and the staff. Many of them have agreed to accompany the classes on upcoming school trips. We fully expect these links to go from strength to strength over the coming months and years.

### **Friends Quiz night**

This takes place in the school hall next Friday from 7:30 pm. If you haven't formed a team and entered why not?

We hope you can all come along and join in the fun and support the 'Friends' in helping to support the children and the work of the school.

## **Environmental Area Working Party**

Tomorrow morning (Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March) from 9.30 a.m. the Oxenhope Conservation Initiative (OCI) are running a working party in the school environmental area to build raised beds for the children to start to grow vegetables in. They will be using materials kindly supplied by Morrison's supermarkets. Please come along if you can and help support OCI to improve this valuable outdoor resource for the benefit of our children and the wider community. If enough turn out they will be able to give the area a quick spring clean too!

### **Stars of the week**

Bronte - Connor Turkington  
Lister - Archie McInnes  
Hockney - Tommy Celik  
Butterfield - Zoe Noble  
Devonshire - Megan Reeday, Isobel Lloyd-Owen  
Priestley - James Bairstow  
Macmillan - Abigail Powell

**Lunchtime superstars** - Jacob Scott, Ellie Lambert, Naomi Smith and Steven Mercer.

**Weekly attendance award** - Butterfield and Priestley with 100%

Enjoy the weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mr D Burns - Headteacher