



Tilstock[†]

Part of the **Marches Academy Trust** 

Talking Heads

Friday 6th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to you all!

All classes have been launched straight into their learning and it has been wonderful to see the exciting topics in action across each class. Each term we have a curriculum focus which underpins our whole school topics. This term it is history, and this enables us to dig really dip into the children's historical enquiry, developing their knowledge and skills across the school from EYFS up to Year 6. Badgers topic is The Romans, Otters will be learning about the Vikings, and squirrels will be learning about 'children on the move' and the evacuees of WW2 in Staffordshire and Shropshire.

I know how important it is that you have a clear understanding of what your child is learning each term, so I have produced a curriculum map for each class for the term ahead. You can view them here for [Squirrels](#), [Otters](#) and [Badgers](#), but if you would like a paper copy, please let us know!

Our Value this term is Respect – please see how we will be learning about Respect in everyday school and home-life.

Take care and have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Rowena Kaminski

Headteacher



REMINDERS & NOTICES

WORSHIP



Our Value this term: Respect

“Respect - to get it you must give it” Anon

We are learning at school about the importance of treating others with respect even if we sometimes do not agree with the way they behave or the things they say. We have also been thinking about how we should treat the things that belong to us and to other people respectfully. We have explored the following questions:

- Think of some practical ways that you show respect to each other in your family.
- Often, we show respect to someone by the way we speak to them. What does this mean in practice?
- Do you treat one another's possessions with respect? What does this mean in practice? If anyone has any examples of how they show this day to day, or any prayers or readings they would like to share in worship, we welcome your contributions.

respect

- Self respect – celebrating our gifts and talents; looking after ourselves
- Respect for parents and carers – honouring mum and dad or those who care for us;
- Respect for those in authority – working with our teachers and those who work for our safety in different ways; being prepared to listen and learn from others who have experience
- Respect for others – everyone is special; everyone's opinion matters; everyone's contribution is important
- Respecting the environment
- Respect - to get it you must give it

Our chosen Bible Story:

- The story of Joseph
- Moses and the burning bush
- The Ten Commandments
- Daniel and the lion's den
- Zaccheus the Tax Collector

Our chosen worship songs

- Shine Jesus shine
- From the tiny ant

Secular stories linked to this value:

- The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad
- Shine by Sarah Asuquo
- Every Child A Song by Nicola Davies
- Dogger (Shirley Hughes)
- Beegu (Alexis Deacon)
- The Last Giants (Francois Place)
- Winter Shadow (Richard Knight)
- We All Sing with the Same Voice
- Written by J. Philip Miller and Sheppard M. Greene
- Perfectly Norman by Tom Percival

Our prayer for this value:

Dear Lord,
Thank you that you made each one of us and we are all different.
Thank you that we are all equally important to you and in our school.
Help us to value one another.
Amen.

Swimming for Squirrel Class Reminder

Children in Years 1 and 2 will begin their swimming lessons on Tuesday 10th January at Market Drayton Swimming Baths.

After- School Clubs

We have sent the after-school club letter out for this term – please let us know if you haven't received it and we can issue you with a copy.



UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

Events at a glance:

Squirrel Swimming lessons start:

Tuesday 10th January

Seep workshop run by the school nurse team – school hall Tilstock: Monday 16th 9.15 am

Staff Collaboration Day: Friday 17th February 2023 (school closed to pupils on this day)

PD DAY: Monday 27th February 2023

Children return to school: Tuesday 28th February 2023



Headteacher Awards this week:

Badgers: Sam, Conor and Libby

Otters: Tate and Calem

Squirrels: Lauren and Harry

Bumblebees: Maisie and Lara-May

Well done Superstars!

Happy Birthday to Charlie, Bonnie and William

who celebrate their birthdays this week.
Have a great time celebrating!

NEWS



[Click here](#) to view what our students have been up to recently.



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