



Dear Parents and Carers,

As the autumn leaves begin to fall and the air turns crisp, we were delighted to celebrate the Harvest Festival at our lovely Christ Church in Tilstock this week. This cherished tradition is more than just a festive event; it holds significant educational and developmental value for our children. One of the core values of the Harvest Festival is the spirit of community and sharing. Children learn the importance of giving and helping others, especially those in need. This year, we organised a food collection for Whitchurch Food Bank. This act of kindness teaches children empathy and the joy of helping others.

The service was a real hands-on learning experience, exploring the origins of food, the process of harvesting, and the significance of agriculture. Participating in the Harvest Festival helps children build a sense of tradition and belonging. These shared experiences create lasting memories and strengthen the bond between our children, staff, church and families. Your involvement and support make these events truly special and impactful for our children. Thank you for your continued support and enjoy your weekend!

Mrs Rowena Kaminski
Headteacher



Road Safety Assembly



Our Safety Guardians planned a wonderful worship this week, to learn more about Road Safety – they felt this was particularly important as the nights draw in and it getting darker earlier. So, they invited the Police in to help educate all our pupils. A big thank you to our local PCSOs for making this happen!

Attendance



Regular attendance is directly linked to academic performance. When children attend school consistently, they are more likely to keep up with daily lessons, participate in classroom activities, and complete assessments with confidence. This continuity helps them build a strong foundation in essential subjects such as reading, writing, and mathematics.

We always try to support families and children to improve attendance, but sometimes it might be necessary for the Education Welfare Officer to enforce school attendance. This often happens when attendance falls below 90%. If this does happen the Education Welfare Officer will either:

- Invite you into school to discuss worries, agree an action plan and explain the legal implications of further absence from school.
- Write to you and explain that further absence from school could result in a Fixed Penalty Notice or Prosecution.

We understand that there may be times when absences are unavoidable due to illness or other circumstances. However, we encourage you to prioritise your child's attendance and communicate with us if there are any challenges or concerns. **Together, we can work towards ensuring that every child has the opportunity to succeed and thrive.**

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Open Day:- Tuesday 15th October 2024

TILSTOCK CE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY
OPEN DAY
TUESDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2024

- Bespoke curriculum recently rated Good by Ofsted in all areas
- Quality mark for Early Years education
- Dedicated welcoming team of staff
- Forest school
- Sports Coach
- Small class sizes
- Nursery provision led by a teacher
- Breakfast club from 7:30am
- After school clubs until 5:30pm
- 5 minutes from Whitchurch town centre
- Daily Minibus pupil transport available

Join us on the day for:

- 9:15am Phonics lesson
- 10:00am Sports
- 11:00am Forest school
- 11:30am Story time

• Have a tour of the school with our Headteacher Mrs Kaminski 2pm, 3:30pm, 4:30pm

No need to book - just turn up!

Tilstock Wild Play

Free every Tuesday morning
8:45am - 9:30am term-time
Weekly forest school sessions for preschoolers 0-5yrs
Accompanied by an adult.
Led by a qualified Forest School Leader

Come along and join the fun

WORSHIP



This term, in worship, we are focusing on the Christian value of Hope.

What this means to us:-

- High expectations in everything we do
- Having resilience
- Having positive attitudes
- Working together to achieve our goals
- Understanding each child's hopes and dreams for the future.
- Believing that the world can be better and being prepared to do something –



This week in worship we learnt about the story of Harvest. We also sang the songs [Lord of all hopefulness](#) [Colours of the day](#). To watch the story and sing along with this term's hymns, click the blue links above.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Events at a glance:

- Friday 11th October: Spooky Disco – Village Hall 4pm
- Friday 18th October: PD Day no children in school
- Monday 22nd October: Half term holidays
- Monday 4th November: Children return to school
- Tuesday 12th November:- individual photos in uniform please
- Friday 15th November: Children in Need Day
- Wednesday 20th November: Parents evening
- Thursday 21st November: KS2 Panto trip (Otters & Badgers)
- Friday 29th November: KS1 Panto trip (Squirrels)
- Friday 6th December- Christmas Fair 3-5pm
- Friday 6th December - Flu vaccinations
- Monday 23rd December – Christmas holiday
- Monday 6th January – Children return to school

Hapy birthday to Amira and Amelia

Who celebrate their birthdays this week.

We wish you a very happy birthday!



NEWS



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

