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# <u>Autumn Term Newsletter No.3</u>

This week is "Waste Less, Live More" week and the children have been finding out about ways to have fun whilst saving the planet at the same time. Mrs Turner started the week with an Assembly and talked about all the ways the school already recycles, reuses and reduces waste. One of the favourite parts of the Assembly was when she showed the children the 'worm juice' we harvest from our wormery—all the kitchen vegetable peelings are a big hit with the worms who turn them into lovely compost and produce "juice" which is a fabulous natural fertiliser for all our vegetables. We have had a fabulous crop of beans and courgettes this year which we have used in our Bistro—our potatoes are about ready to harvest too. We need to get sowing and planting our Winter crops now so we would love any spare seedlings you may have.

One of the initiatives we started last year during Waste Less, Live More week was Book Swap. This proved so popular we have kept it running all year. On a Wednesday at lunchtime children from Y1 to Y6 can bring a book from home and swap it with one at the club. If your child would like to get involved in this then they need to bring a good condition book suitable for their own age group as we did find children were bringing in a toddler book and taking away a chapter book so we were left with books that were not suitable for our primary children! On a nice day the book swap will be outside and on rainy days it will be inside by the Forest Room.

Our Lost Property gets recycled very month. We always return items that are labelled so please check you have written your child's name clearly in the clothing so we can reunite them. We do a weekly 'check and return'. Anything un-named and left unclaimed gets sent off to Chrissy's Used Uniform monthly to avoid us being swamped in coats, sweatshirts and PE kit but we would rather return it to you!

This Week's Star Pupils:

Beech — Kayla Hadley Pine — Bella Caine Apple— George Duggan Oak— Alayah Tucker Birch— Laila Heavens Rowan — Lexie Schelts Cherry— Kasha-Lily Borge Maple — Jessica King Holly— Jebediah Whatley Willow — Ben Corderoy Hawthorn — Lottie Ashby Hazel — Jordan Mortimore



# Diary Date Reminders:

Wednesday 28th September—Wednesday 5th October Scholastic Book Fair from 3:05pm Friday 30th September— Reception Children "First Class" photo by the Herald Express Tuesday 4th October—Y5 and Y6 Internet Safety Talk

# Attendance Award



Congratulations to Rowan Class for winning the School Attendance Award with 100% attendance.

The whole school achieved 97.6% attendance overall which beats our target. Well done, everyone!

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter to see photographs and updates about school life. <u>https://twitter.com/StMargaretsTQ</u>

Learning today.... to achieve our tomorrows.

## Clubs

If your child is not able to attend their extracurricular club then please let the member of staff running the club know or call the office. A register is taken at each club so when a child fails to turn up this becomes a safeguarding concern and we have to then spend much time calling parents to check the child is safe. We love being able to offer lots of clubs but are wasting lots of club time making phonecalls! Please be aware, two unexplained absences will result in a loss of the place as other children are on waiting lists to join. Thank you.

Family Ponder.... "What would you do to help change the world?" Beech Class http:// worldslargestlesson.globalgoals.org/

### Year 4 Trip to Torquay Museum

On Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> September we went to Torquay museum. We walked all the way to the museum to learn about Ancient Egypt.



First we went up to learn about Ancient Egypt. We saw a mummy that was well preserved. They called it Psamtek. They said that he died around 2–4 years old. Because Psamtek lived in a wealthy family, he got a nice decorated sarcophagus. We also saw well sand preserved artefacts. They were made my hand by the Egyptians. They used red stone and white clay.

After that we went and did some activities. I wrote my name in hieroglyphs, built a pyramid and made a collar. Writing your name in hieroglyphs is really hard.

Last of all I went off exploring and we saw somethings that told us about an author. Then we had to walk all the way back to school to eat our lunch. By Annabelle Cook

#### Torquay Museum Trip 2016

We went on the date of Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September to learn about Ancient Egypt. We saw this model of Psamtek, well this is what they thought he would have looked like. He was a mummy. He was around 2-4 years old and wore a necklace and a towel.

The second area we went to was the second floor. I did some drawing on something that makes an image every time you use crayon on it – but you need a piece of paper first!

The last room my group went to was the activity room and that was the best room in my opinion. I loved the board game the most and then it was writing on Papyrus. Yep, on some papyrus!

By Ryan Evers

#### <u>Twitter</u>

Did you know that you don't have to have a Twitter account to see what we have been up to? You can click on the link in this newsletter or have a look at our website as the Twitter feed scrolls across the bottom and clicking on it will open up our page. If you do set up an account and follow us you can set the notifications to alert you to new tweets. We use Twitter to add photographs or comment on daily life in school which we hope gives you more of an insight into every day events. We love sharing all the good learning that goes on and hope you will check in on Twitter as we put many more photographs on there than we do on this newsletter. Click the link ion Page 1 if you want to see what we have been up to over the last few days.







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