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Friday 24th February 2017

Winter Menus Week 3
All clubs will run next week weather and sickness permitting

Dear Parents and Carers,

We began the week with a very uplifting and lively visit from the WOW! team (Worship on a Weekday) who were helping us to deepen our understanding of trust and faith. We were able to relate this to our learning and how important it is to have faith in ourselves especially when attempting new concepts and skills.

Christian Distinctiveness

During Collective Worship on Thursday, Rev'd Dawn Jewson reminded us of Lent; a very important time in the Christian calendar which begins next Wednesday. For Christians the 40 days of Lent are a time for reflection, prayer and sacrifice and as in previous years, at Sheering school we are going to be participating in the 40 Acts of Kindness. This means we will be 'giving back' rather than giving up something and will help us to remember our TERRIFIC values of being Respectful, Responsible, Inclusive and Compassionate.

We will celebrate Ash Wednesday next Thursday when Dawn will lead an Ashing Service. This will involve making the sign of the cross on the forehead with ash to remind us of God's sacrifice and how we are trying to be better people. If you do not want your child to take part in the ashing (they will not be excluded from the whole service), please ring the school office.

World Book Day

The members of Our Prayer Committee met with School Council to talk about plans for World Book Day which is on Thursday 2nd March. It was decided that the theme for this year is 'Bedtime' and the children can either come dressed in their pyjamas or as a book character from a book they might read at bedtime. We plan to write bedtime stories next week and the Prayer Committee suggested that we could also write bedtime prayers. I look forward to the whole community taking part in this special day.

Achievements from Home and School We had much to celebrate in assembly this morning;

Home: Siena G. was very proud of her golf passport that she received for her golfing skills during half term; Sienna P. and Ivy were presented with their Stage 2 Swimming Awards which means they can swim on their front and back and Issy G. received her Duckling Award for swimming.

School: Well done the following children for achieving their **Bronze Athletics award**; Hannah Fu, Tilda, Ellie, Tommy, Henry P, William Ma., Finley, Aidan, Sadie, Ryan, Charlee, Kenny, Isabella O., Ruby T, Orla, Kristian, Brody, Ruby C, Jessica S, Jacob F, Lily-Mae, Jessica B, Oliver B, Lucy Be, Mitchell and Isla. Congratulations to Lewis, Tristan and Oliver B for achieving their **Silver Athletics award**. Congratulations also go to Ruby T, Sam and Harry for achieving her **Gold Athletics award**. Ruby N, Poppy and Hannah Fu. collected 10 stamps in their Learning Passport and were awarded a **Bronze certificate for Building Learning Power**. Isabelle has learnt all of her **Phase 3 Sounds** and was very proud of her certificate this morning.

Well done children. You are all TERRIFIC!

Happy Book

In the Happy Book this week: Issy G. wanted to thank Lola and Isabella W for being good friends; Tilda thanked Siena G for helping her tidy the coats; Gracie wanted to thank Lily-Mae for playing with her; Aidan thanked Harry, Kristian, Luke and Tom for playing with him; Mrs Guinan noticed how nicely Brandon was singing during Collective Worship on Wednesday; Mrs Guinan also thanked Alfie P. for the hard work he is putting in to his writing; Mrs Camp was very impressed with the progress Joshua I. and Olivia are making with their independent skills and Mrs Brayson wanted to say 'well done' to Sonny, Francesca, Sophie, Tilda and Lilly for their progress in maths.

Roll of Honour

Our Learning Heroes this week: Children who have had faith in themselves

Copeland: Sophie has had great faith in her reading ability this week and Bradley Harvey has persevered with his writing skills and can write words independently.

Durrington: Isabella W. has had great faith in herself during her first week at Sheering school.

Fitzwalter: Orla and Tilda have both grown in confidence with their reading abilities and have enjoyed reading to the rest of the class.

Quickbury: Brandon has complete faith in himself when learning in class now and is never afraid to put his hand up to answer a question.

Well done children. You are all TERRIFIC!

Birthdays

This morning we sang the birthday song to Joshua D. who will be celebrating his 9th birthday on February 28th.

Star of the Week

My Star of the Week is Francesca for believing in her own abilities in maths and for never giving up. Well done Francesca; You are TERRIFIC!

Letters/Parentmail Home:

Parent Consultations

Diary Dates

- **Monday 27th February:** Parent consultations 3:30-5:45pm with crèche
- **Wednesday 1st March:** Parent consultations 5:00-8:00pm
- **Thursday 2nd March:** World Book Day
- **Thursday 23rd March:** Mothers' Day service in church
- **Mother's Day lunch in school (letter to follow)**
- **Friday 24th March:** Red Nose Day
- **Friday 31st March:** Last day of Spring term

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- **Tuesday 18th April:** Summer term begins
- **Monday 8th May:** Year 6 SATs week
- **Wednesday 17th May-Friday 19th May:** Quickbury class Kingswood residential trip

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lorna Brittain

