



Celebrating World Values Day

ON Thursday this week, we celebrated World Values Day in school. We started with the day with a worship where we reflected on how our vision



and values can help us with small acts of kindness which will make a difference to others.

The theme of the day was 'Values and Volunteering' and 2 special visitors joined our worship to share their story.

Many of you may know Mr Wells as our former Chair of Governors however in his day job he is a police officer working with specially trained dogs to keep everyone safe. He spoke about how his work with police dogs prompted him to set up a charity to support service dogs in their retirement. The children got to meet Parker, a specially trained dog who, during his career worked with Mr Wells as a 'super sniffer.' It was wonderful for the children to hear an

example of how we can all make a difference by volunteering and using our special skills and talents.

Each year group then focussed on one of our school values, writing prayers and considering how their work on the value could help others. Please see below some example of the thoughtful prayers and reflective learning.

Emani from year 2 wrote the following prayer for forgiveness

Dear God,

Thank you for my family.

Please help me to forgive people when they say sorry.

Help me to help other people and give my time to others

Amen

Year 3 made bookmarks to encourage others to persevere.



We would love to hear about how our children are living our values outside of school, please send in an email to info@ashford-primary@surrey.sch.uk

Our Values in action—see next page.

Dates for the diary

- 19th October—**NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**
- 21st October—Year 3 History Workshop
- 22nd October—Values Awards Worship 9.00am
- 22nd October—Parent/Teacher Consultations 2pm—7.30pm **SCHOOL CLOSING FOR CHILDREN AT 1.30PM**
- 23rd October—**INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**
- 26th October—30th October **HALF TERM HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED**
- 2nd November—**Children return to school**
- 4th November—Year 2 Trip to Wisley Gardens

Our Values in Action

It is wonderful to be able to share with you that, as a school we collected 84kg of food for Manna. Thank you for your kind donations to support those in need.



Creative Wings Art Project

WE are excited to share that we will be participating in the Spelthorne Creative Wings art project being delivered as part of Escalate Arts, with artist Izi Harris.

Our children have all created a feather where they have shared their thoughts about their lives and aspirations for the future. These feathers will then be added to a large sculptured swan which will be on display in Staines Library hub from 26 October to 13 December 2026.

As a lasting legacy, every feather will be photographed and preserved in a digital time capsule gifted to Spelthorne Museum, capturing the voices, experiences, and aspirations of young people in 2026.

Our children have created some wonderful pieces of work to add to this sculpture, again reflecting the impact our school values are having on their vision for their world, here are some examples:

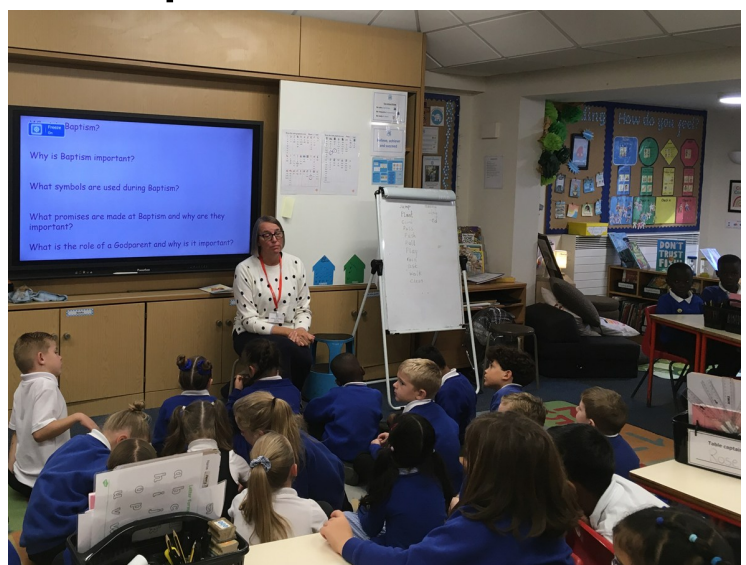


What is Baptism?

THIS week Mrs Pain from St Matthews church joined Year 2 to talk about Baptism.

We learnt about the many Baptisms that Mrs Pain has been a part of and spoke about why Baptism is so special to Christians.

Thank you Mrs Pain for visiting us, we hope to see you again soon!





Black History Month

THIS year at ACE for Black history month we will be recognising local and everyday Heroes. Although we will still be learning about famous historical figures we want to highlight everyday heroes such as healthcare workers, artists, volunteers, entrepreneurs and mentors. Children will make comparisons and look at the impact of both famous and everyday heroes with an emphasis on understanding that history is being made around us all the time. The children will be creating fact files as well as pieces of art based on who they have researched.



ACE Achievers

CONGRATULATIONS to Harry from Meerkat class who recently started playing football and has joined a local team.

Over the weekend Harry played his fourth match for Bedfont Eagles, scored a goal and won the man of the match trophy.

He is so very proud of himself and his trophy and we are also very proud of his achievement. Well done Harry and keep up the goal scoring!



Our super speedy Year 1 teacher, Miss Alabaster completed her first half marathon last weekend at Hampton Court Palace. Completing the course in just 2 hours and 10 minutes, Miss Alabaster is on track with her training for the London Marathon which she will be running on Sunday April 25th. Well done and good luck!

A graphic with a grey background and large white stars. At the top, a blue banner reads 'Ace Attendance Winners of the Week'. Below it, the text 'The class with the best attendance this week is...' is followed by 'INFANTS!' and 'JUNIORS!' in large, bold, grey letters. To the right of 'INFANTS!' is 'Zebra—99%' and to the right of 'JUNIORS!' is 'Rhino—97%'. The graphic is decorated with yellow trophies and white stars.

Ace Attendance Winners of the Week

The class with the best attendance this week is...

INFANTS! Zebra—99%

JUNIORS! Rhino—97%

Our attendance target is 96% Whole school this week 94.8%

ACE Celebration Stars of the Week

	Name	Reason
Koala	Oliver M	For persevering with his handwriting
	Johnny P	For following class routines
Kangaroo	Nancy W	For contributions during theme discussions
	Joshua R	For trying hard when learning to write his name
Tiger	Eliza-Jane	For trying her best in her handwriting
	Mukundi	For always being a super learner
Panda	Arden D	For showing perseverance when tackling our tough ten addition and subtraction challenges
	Frankie W	For writing a beautiful and thoughtful prayer about courage
Zebra	Dante K	For his great participation in our science experiment
	Henry D	For his excellent contributions in RE discussions with Mrs Pain
Giraffe	Nelson L	For showing perseverance when practising his handwriting
	Betsy N	For her thoughtful participation in class discussions
Lemur	Jeremiah	For fantastic improvement demonstrating our school value of respect
	Millie W	For always taking pride in the presentation of her learning
Meerkat	Tiffany	For such an exciting description of jugglers in English
	Arthur	For excellent understanding of place value in maths
Rhino	Betsy B	For showing perseverance when understanding regrouping in maths
	Raizel	For a super piece of home learning on the Anglo Saxons
Elephant	Delilah B	For always having a positive mindset and an 'I can' attitude
	Kyle J	For being a supportive learning partner—Keep it up!
Llama	Noah B R	For improved focus and engagement during lessons
	Finley L	For producing a fantastic poster reflecting on pilgrimage
Buffalo	Farah H	For always being positive and focused, contributing well to lessons and taking pride in her presentation
	Emmanuel	For his fantastic focus and effort across all subjects this week—well done!
Panther	Henry F	For his positive attitude and excellent effort during this weeks practice SATs
	Finn D	For his reflective attitude and insightful contributions this week
Leopard	Rowan S	For showing a positive 'I can' attitude to his practice SATs this week
	Olly G	For excellent teamwork when investigating how shadows change in science.