

## Audlem St. James C.E. Primary School

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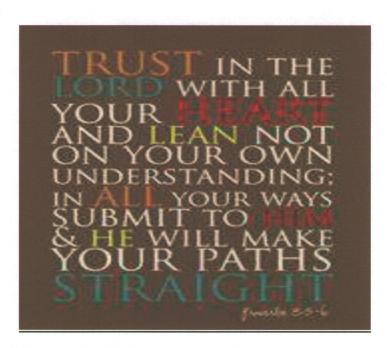
What a half term with lots going on over the past 6 weeks for the whole school. The Year 6 showed great resilience, resourcefulness and a readiness to learn throughout SAT's week and just shone brightly. The Year 2 children have been working hard over the past few weeks on assessments and showed their reflectiveness in their learning to the teachers.

The whole school has been getting ready for the Queen's Jubilee and all children have looked at the Queens life through the decades and displayed their work around the village, Cheese Shop in Nantwich and in school. We can't wait to welcome every one later to tonight as we come together as a school community to celebrate the great occasion.

I am a big music fan and one part of a song sums up how the children make sure we smile is from a famous band called 'Coldplay'. The song in question is a Sky Full of Stars and all of our children even in the darkest of hours will always make sure that there is a light.

I hope you all have a wonderful half term and the weather is good for us all. Just a reminder that we have an INSET on Monday  $6^{th}$  June and school will re-open on Tuesday  $7^{th}$  June.

### Thought of the Week



#### Platinum Jubilee - School Celebrations today and church service on 5th June

Today the whole school has turned out in red, white and blue and all the children have been provided with flags. We have all had a wonderful time waving them and singing outside on the yard. As part of our celebrations we have handed out booklets produced by the International Bible Society entitled "Our Faithful Queen - 70 years of faith and service". These have been generously provided by Audlem St James Church for every child. We have also sent out a leaflet from the church advertising their all age Platinum Jubilee service at 11.00 am on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June. This will be followed by a cream tea.

We are looking forward to our Jubilee picnic lunch and our after-school Jubilee Fair organised by Friends of Audlem School. Thank you to Mike Jones, our site manager, for the generous amount of bunting and flags he has placed around school and to all the staff and children for the hat decorations per decade adorning local shops.

## Praise Book Children

This week's Praise Book children are:

Mrs Maughan and Mrs Burgess' Class - Niamh Watson Mrs Kemp and Mrs Hayward's Class - Freddy Fellows Mrs Richardson and Miss Ratcliffe's Class - Nia Brown Mr Davies' Class - Maddie Wood



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Miss Morris's Class - Poppy Rudd-Farnell
Mr Blenkiron's Class - Bella Smale
Mrs Bird's Class - Alex Baker
You are all amazing Shining Stars!



## The 5 'R's

As a school we are concentrating on the 5 'R's - resilience, reflectiveness, responsibility, resourcefulness and readiness to learn. These are the children who have shown such qualities this week:

Resilience: Leah Hallatt

Responsibility: Harriet Hollins, Toby Le Grice, Amelie Furber, Max Bunseedhun and Katy Entwisle

Resourcefulness: Riley Morris

#### School

Amethyst Class This week in Amethyst Class, we have finished reading 'Lets all Creep Through the Crocodile Creek' by Jonny Lambert. We retold the story, learnt facts about crocodiles and looked at alliteration. In maths, we developed an understanding of the magnitude of numbers. We considered where numbers to 10 are in relation to each other on number tracks and number lines. We played a game of 'Who has more' and used phrases such as 'a LOT more than' and 'a LITTLE more than.' We also had great fun in our Forest School session with Mr Hadfield.

Sapphire Class This week in maths the children have been learning how to make two equal groups. In English the children have been learning how to write letters to the characters in our story The Lost Toys. In Geography the children have continued learning about the continents. In history the children have been learning about the history of the bicycle. In art the children have created collages based on the Platinum Jubilee.

**Pearl Class** Pearl class have been developing their knowledge of fractions this week, looking at three quarters and one thirds. They have also been problem solving in maths. The children wrote a letter to the Queen asking her how it felt to have been on the throne for seventy years. In geography, they have learned about north, south, east and west and have used these compass points to explore the school grounds. They have thoroughly enjoyed their Jubilee celebrations.

Amber Class This week, Amber class have been using the Jubilee celebrations to support their learning. We have used the history of the Queen's reign as a basis for reading comprehension activities, we have written about our plans for the jubilee weekend and even used our maths skills to find out who the mystery baker was at the special party for the Queen! We have also been practising our singing for a special party after school this afternoon!

Emerald Class This week, Emerald class have worked with the tenths column in their decimals topic. They practised dividing by 10 using place value columns. The children wrote first person recounts of a day in the life of a Pacific Island villager. In science they investigated a solid turning into a liquid by melting chocolate. For RE, the children learnt about the story of Malala Yousafi and how her beliefs influenced her life. In geography the class drew sketches of a journey of a river and in music they finished and performed their three beat rhythms.

Ruby Class This week in Ruby class, we have moved into decimal numbers and converting fractions over 100 and 10 into equivalent decimals. In English, we have been writing simile and metaphor poems about the Queen for the Platinum Jubilee display. We have also been researching the issues of pollution caused by landfill, and writing sentences using persuasive techniques to make people care about the issue more. In RE, we have been looking at the



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similarities and differences between Hindu wedding ceremonies and the Christian or secular weddings we have attended. In Art, we have been looking at the paintings and photography of David Hockney, and considering how he achieves the effect of perspective. The children have then created their own river landscape paintings using his techniques to make the background fade into the distance. The children have also enjoyed various Jubilee-related activities and practising the songs for our upcoming celebrations.

Diamond Class This week, Year 6 have been working hard on their maths, learning about translating and reflecting shapes, and using co-ordinates. They have also been writing thank-you letters to The Queen and we are hoping for a reply at some point! The children have also enjoyed writing lyrics for their own songs and making 'Little Penny' jam sandwiches just like the ones The Queen enjoys with her afternoon tea!

## Mrs Smith - return from maternity leave - welcome back

We are delighted to welcome back Mrs Smith, our Y2 teacher, who will join us after the half-term break. Mrs Smith has been on maternity leave which has now ended. She will be sharing the class with Mrs Richardson for the remaining academic year.

### Friends of Audlem School - pre-loved clothes sale

Another sale is planned for the second half of the summer term. In preparation for this, if you can look out any surplus uniform or other school items, remove name markings where possible and launder the items, we would be delighted to receive them. Please bring the items in a bag to the school office. Thank you for your help in this.

Platinum Jubilee - Audlem Methodist Church - village trail next week and school displays in local shops

We gave you details last week of the NEP Platinum Jubilee trail in Nantwich to which we have contributed but there is also a jubilee trail in the village itself organised by Audlem Methodist Church. We have attached details. Whilst you are following the trail, please take time to find our class displays in various shop windows around the village – seven in all, including the Co-op, Boots Chemists and Oxtail and Trotter. Happy searching!

#### Finally

It is important that our newsletter and all other forms of communication we send out to parents and carers, give you a clear and detailed picture of our work in school, so that you are kept up to date with events in school and our community. If you have any ideas, comments or suggestions about the content of newsletters please get in touch with me.

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