Weekly Newsletter 6th October 2017

We have done some work this week on revisiting the school’s Christian values. This involved talking and consulting with all stake holders; staff, governors and children who have selected the following key values. Respect, Honesty, Compassion, Perseverance, Responsibility. The children will be doing lots of work around these values starting with sessions in church next Friday and they will be entwined with our behaviour policies.



**Parent consultations** You should have received your request slips for next Wednesday’s parent consultations. We will do our best to book appointments at your preferred time. If your appointment is before school finish time then you are free to take your children home after the appointment. Please note that construction club is cancelled this coming Wednesday. **Library** The new library space is really taking shape. Thank you very much to Louise and Jo Groombridge for all their efforts this week in organising the books. We hope to have a grand opening at the beginning of next term with some book related events in school. **MacMillan coffee morning/afternoon /dress down day** Following some very valuable feedback from parents we decided to move the fundraising event to Tuesday 10th October at 2.20pm. This will allow more parents to attend and we can hopefully sell any leftover cakes at a cake sale straight after school. All are welcome so please come along. Any donations of cakes will be gratefully received. Tuesday will be a dress down day so please bring in £1 for the Macmillan charity. **School Funding** As you will be aware there is a lot of pressure on schools financially. One of our income streams is via something called pupil premium. This amounts to £1320 of additional funding for eligible children. The purpose of this funding is to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils of all abilities and to close the gaps between them and their peers. There is much more information on our website about how it works and how we spend the additional funds. We would like to ensure that we are receiving all the funding due to the school so we intend to discuss this with you at the parent consultations.



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| **Dates for the diary** |
| **Month** | **Date** | **Event** |
| October | 10th | MacMillan coffee morning – from 2.20pm in the school hall |
| 11th | Parent consultations – 1.30 – 5.00pm |
| 20th | End of term |
| 30th | Back to school |
| November | 10th | Remembrance service at St Marys 10.45am |

Family Quiz (Answer next week)

"Some of my pigs are starting to fight each other," moaned the Farmer, "I'll have to move those two square fences into the pen so that all the pigs are separated from each other."

"That's not possible!" protested his wife "You can't keep all those pigs apart in that pen by using just two squares!"

"Oh yes I can!" chuckled the Farmer - and then proceeded to do it.

Can you separate all the pigs just by drawing two squares onto the diagram?