



# A little bit of kindness goes along way!



Kindness comes in all shapes, sizes and colours. Our school has been very fortunate to have been showered with some small and very large acts of kindness. Here are some acts of kindness our school has received so far during the term.....

Ms Allyson dedicated 1 hour of her precious time to lead a very informative question and answer session with Amber Class. Mr Blake has come into school to share how he turned his desire to help his community into a business. The current owners of New Beacon Book shop, have also agreed to come into school to share how the shop's initial owner turned his love of books into a business.

I would also like to say a humungous thank you to Mr Titcher, Ms Akin-olafiagi and Mr Perdigao for their extremely kind donation of 30 computers! Not only has this meant that we are able to replenish our computer suite, but we have also placed some of the computers in our classrooms, so that the children have access to computers which are faster than our current ones!

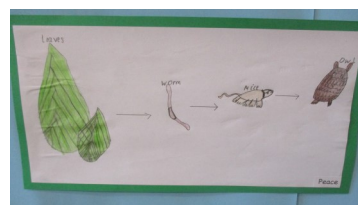
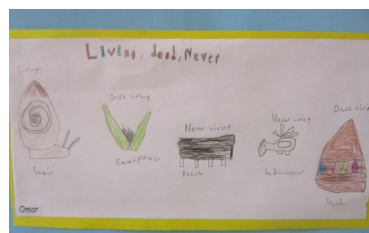
As a school we have reintroduced our weekly Acts of Kindness, whereby children report to their teacher if someone has been kind to them without them asking for help. The amount of random acts of kindness are then added up each week, and the data is collected by 2 monitors. The winner for each week is announced in assembly. Topaz class have won the award twice this term. (They are proving to be one of the best year 6 class at our school, I hope they are able to continue with their love of learning and kindness to each other).

The uncertainty of the previous months has left many people feeling nervous about the future and what could possibly happen next! As a school we have learnt to live with the shadow of the pandemic and covid 19 looming in the background, and keep moving forward! Thank you to all parents/carers who are moving forward with us!



## Amber Class.....

Amber Class have been learning about Animals and Living things in Science. We explored the playground looking for objects which were living, dead or have never lived. We used Mrs Gren to help us categorise them. We also investigated food chains and created our own diagrams.



## Black History Month

Yes it's that time of year again! This year we will be studying black entrepreneurs in what some would consider not typical fields of work.

### EYFS + Ruby Class

**Dario Blake** (Occupation—Community worker and owner of gazebo / speakers - rental company)

### Amber Class

**Bonny Allyson** (Occupation - Counsellor, teacher and owner of therapy company)

### Emerald Class

**John La Rose** (Occupation - Publisher + owner of a book shop)

### Sapphire + Topaz Class

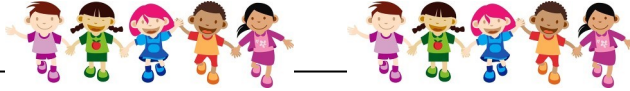
**Ozward Boateng** (Occupation - Fashion Designer, tailor and shop owner)

We will be sending more information about our BHM exhibition shortly.



### Class Assemblies

I am really pleased to announce that we have returned to inviting parents/carers back into school so that they can watch their children's class assembly! We have made some small changes though: we ask that parents/carers wear a face mask and sanitise their hands before they come into the school. Also we have not invited the rest of the school to watch the performance, only the children performing will be in the hall. Topaz class performed our first class assembly this term, all about the Greek Gods. It was very informative and funny! Well done Topaz class, keep up the good work!



### Temperature Checks....

As you may have noticed, we no longer take children's temperature before they come into school in the morning. A parent has requested that we reintroduce this precaution. As it would mean that parents/carers would have to wait for the result, I would like to hear the views of other parents/carers. Please send your emails to the school office marked 'temperature check'.

If a majority of parents would like us to reintroduce this, then this is something we would consider reintroducing.

### Emerald Class....

In Year 4 Emerald class, for Science we have been learning about Rocks. We used our observational skills and our senses to describe them, as well as draw a variety of rocks.

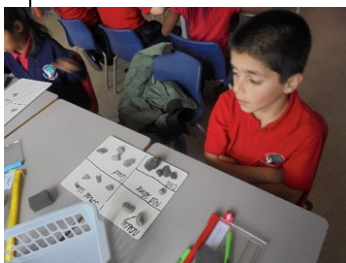
"I enjoyed sorting the rocks and writing about it. Also, I liked drawing the pictures of the coal and slate rocks." expressed Hassan.

"I felt really happy because I have never touched so many different rocks before. Some were like diamonds!" Commented Poppy.

"I liked learning about rocks. It is interesting and surprising because we found some unusual and peculiar rocks, for example some were smooth, flat and some were not very hard!" Ali specified.

"I was really excited to learn about rocks. How hard they are and that some could be scraped and crumble like the Sandstone; some were hard like slate. There are different types of rocks, such as Metamorphic, Sedimentary and Igneous." Yamotika explained.

"I think rocks are interesting and I want to learn more about them. When I grow up I want to be a Paleontologist!" Ameerah Stated.



### Ruby Class....

In Year 1 Ruby Class, we started our new topic in PSHE called People who help us. We had a discussion about who looks after us and how. Then everyone shared what they want to be.

"I want to be a vet because I want to help animals". (Salvatore)

"I want to be a construction worker because I want to build houses". (Carlos)

"I want to be a shopkeeper because I want to earn money and buy stuff". (Esther)

"I want to be a chef because I want to cook food". (Oghosa)

"I want to be a doctor because I want to help people". (Benji)

