

2nd July 2021

Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

This month in school we are focusing on the value of 'Appreciation'. We are extremely fortunate to have so much to appreciate and be thankful for. It's been another wonderful few weeks in school and yesterday we were all able to join together for a very special outdoor worship service.

Although we have continued with our worship via Zoom throughout the last year and a half it hasn't been quite the same as all being together in person, so we decided to take our worship outside. Unfortunately due to Covid restrictions not lifting on 21st June, we were unable to invite parents as originally planned but we were able to celebrate, sing and worship together as a whole school and were joined by some members of our Governing Board which was wonderful!

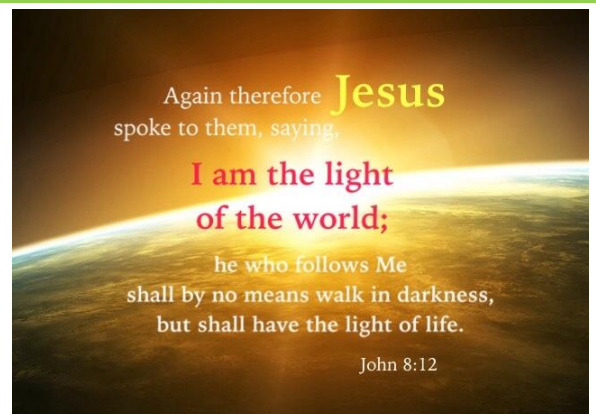
We invited Rev. David Payne to lead our worship service and some of our year 4 children led us in prayer. The worship songs were chosen by the children and the sound of voices singing and rejoicing together again caused us all to be filled with joy as well as a little tear in our eyes.

The message of our service was Jesus, Light of the world, leading us through darker times and giving us hope for the future. We are immensely thankful to Rev David Payne for his involvement and message, not to mention the fantastic candle that he brought in for our worship table. It was a very special occasion for us all and wonderful for the children to be able to sing together. From my office yesterday evening I could hear children in after school care club singing "Our God is a great big God and he holds us in his hands!" he is and he does indeed!

With best wishes,

Sarah Boyle

Headteacher



PE AND SPORTS NEWS

Sports Week

Our sports week starts on Monday 5th July and it sounds like it will be an incredible week for all.

The children will participate in archery, fencing, team building activities and skipping in the mornings followed by a Year group sports event one afternoon and finally the opportunity to join in with some traditional sports events at the end of the afternoon.

Sadly, in order to follow the government guidance we must strictly limit the number of parents attending to one adult per child. If you haven't already booked a place please do so via Scopay.

We would like to remind you of the afternoons for each year group. However, as children are participating in sporting activities across the whole week we ask that children come to school in PE kit all week please.

British weather is rather variable and we may have a mix of temperatures across the week or throughout the day. Therefore we suggest that sun cream is applied daily before school, sun hats are brought into school daily and your child has a named water bottle each day which can be refilled throughout the day.

Year Group	Sports afternoon. 1.15pm-3.00pm
Reception	Monday
Year 1	Tuesday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Thursday
Year 4	Friday

Just to clarify on the afternoon that it is a year group sports day, if a parent is in attendance and the event finishes before the end of the normal school day timings then pupils will be allowed to leave early. Parents must not take their child straight from the field, the teachers will escort all pupils back to class to collect their belongings. Parents will then be able to collect their child from their normal exit point. Any pupil that does not have a parent in attendance will be kept in class until their usual finish time.

Please note **only** the pupil that is involved in sports day on any given day will be released early. Any siblings (or those pupils that are collected by a child minder) will not be released early.

Please could all parents enter school for the sports afternoons via the main gate onto the playground where you will be met by a member of staff. The gate will be open from 1:05pm-1:15pm. We need to ensure that all parents are checked in for safeguarding purposes and in case an emergency arises. Parents will then be directed onto the school field ready for a 1:15pm start. Areas for each class group will be identified, in order to follow our risk assessment and the guidelines we ask that you please remain with your class group (max of 30) throughout the afternoon.

As stated previously, the school building will not be accessible so there will be no toilet facilities available.

SCHOOL KITCHEN

When we don't have something that we usually have provided for us it really does help us to appreciate things even more. I'm sure we don't take our kitchen staff and the lunches for granted but we certainly appreciate them more when unfortunately our kitchen has been closed for the last few days.

We hope to resume normal service in our kitchen on Thursday 8th July.

Thank you for bearing with us whilst the kitchen is closed.

STUDENT NEWS

Please see below for a few photographs from our worship yesterday.



Please look at the Student News section on our website to keep up to date with some of the things that have been happening in school <https://www.silsoeschool.co.uk/student-news>

SUMMER TERM DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
JULY	
5 th	Sports week – (w/b 12 th as a reserve date, in the event of inclement weather)
15 th	Rainbow Run PTA Fundraiser – non-uniform day.
16 th	Arnold Transfer afternoon event. You should have received information on this from Arnold Academy. Please contact them directly if you have any questions.
22 nd	9:30am Leavers Service (outdoors) Year 4 parents are invited to attend. Again, we will await guidance on restrictions and advise accordingly. Please bear with us whilst we wait on this.
22 nd	BREAK-UP
SEPTEMBER	
1 st -3 rd	Teacher training days.
6 th	Children return to school.

OUR CURRENT VALUE IS: Appreciation

Being told you're appreciated is one of the simplest and most uplifting things you can hear.