

Thank you to long serving Chair of Governors David Jackson

Last month, David Jackson retired from his position as Chair and Foundation Governor of the school. He has freely given up his time to effectively support the school since 1997 working alongside Mr Stinson and myself. His excellent governance was rightly acknowledged in 2009 when he was awarded Governor of the Year for the Northern Region.

He will now look forward to spending more time with his recently retired wife Karen and enjoy continuing to drop off and collect his grandchildren at St. Peter's. Two of his grandchildren, Jacob and Edward, presented him with a painting of the school created by our very own Mrs Hayden.

David wrote in his letter to the staff:-

'I want to wish you all the very best for the future, St Peters really is an incredible place and I know it will continue to flourish.'

Thank you for your 25 years of service to the school, David.



Ash Wednesday

On 2nd March, the whole school came together for an Ash Wednesday Eucharistic Service in the Sports Hall. The worship Team, with the support of Father Jonathan, planned and delivered a service based upon the Archbishop of York's Way Maker Lent Programme. The school community were asked to think about how they are servant hearted in the way in which they live their lives. The Worship team asked everyone to think of someone they could serve

and show kindness to with their actions before drawing a picture or writing their name in the heart to remind them. The hearts were used to create a heart shape in the Prayer Room. The children then participated in the imposition of the ashes before communion took place. A lovely service to prepare us perfectly for the period of Lent.



Reception and Infant Assessment Class visit to Danby

On Thursday 22nd March, the Reception and Infant Assessment classes went on an adventure to Danby National Park Centre. The visit was based around the 'Lost Words' book and focussed upon words, such as weasel, adder, wren and kingfisher. We enjoyed a long walk through the woods and down to a stream. On the way, we made a weasel house, played a weasel and mouse game, and then played poo sticks at the stream. We also found some of the lost words around Crow Wood, before meeting some of the animals. We loved playing on the amazing park! It was a beautiful Spring day and we all had a great time.



Viking Workshop

As part of our topic on the Vikings, Year 3 and 4 children travelled to Preston Park to go to the 'Fearsome Craftsmen' touring exhibition from the JORVIK Centre. The children had great fun exploring the exhibition and stepping back in time into a replica village. The children enjoyed dressing up as Vikings, playing traditional games and making Viking crafts.

During the day, the children had the opportunity to handle replica Viking objects and go on a dig, testing their archaeological skills searching for evidence of what life would have been like 2000 years ago.

We also spent time around Preston Park museum itself, exploring the museum and of course having a great time in the wonderful play area.

A jam-packed day filled with lots of learning and fun!



Best wishes
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