

SMSC Primary Spring Term (2<sup>nd</sup> half)

In Primary this half term, we have been looking at Countries and Cultures as our topic. We have been learning about and celebrating the different ways that people live. We have been looking at the different clothes people wear, their different beliefs and the different things that are celebrated in different cultures.



On 3<sup>rd</sup> March, the school celebrated 'World Book Day'. We encouraged the children to dress up as their favourite book characters and celebrated the wonderful world of books and story-telling. The children thoroughly enjoyed seeing their peers and staff dressed up and there was a wonderful, joyous atmosphere around the school throughout the day.



In Primary, we have also been looking at what are the key things that we need to make us happy and have used this to create a Primary display about celebrating world Unity. The display features a collage of the world, surrounded by a variety of words that have each been decorated by a different class. The words used are... Patience, Happiness, Trust, Peace, Caring, Friendship, Freedom, Respect, Co-operation, Love, Equality, Tolerance, Hope and Unity. This display is along the corridor in school, which can be seen by visitors, staff and students and demonstrates that we are proud of the children's work and want to display it and celebrate their achievements.



We have continued to have our weekly phase assemblies where each class nominates a star of the week. The reasons that the children are given star of the week varies from child to child. Some of these achievements include...

For verbally speaking new words clearly, for using a walker independently, for completing physio exercises and for overwriting.

The skills that one child may take for granted, can be a huge achievement for another. So, if it is an achievement for that child, it will be celebrated in the same way.

Each child gets a round of applause, comes to the front of the assembly and gets to put their photo on the star of the week board. They then get a sticker and their name goes on to the Primary page of the website.

Some of our classes have extended this and celebrate the star of the day.