



Together we Thrive

We have had another busy week at Walsgrave this week. Year 2 have had a visit from the 'Animal Man' - check out class dojo for some pictures from the year 2 team. Rev Tom has been in school delivering fantastic collective worship on Tuesday morning and on Thursday Mr Sowerby and Mrs Collins took a group of children to London to perform at the Festival of Flourishing. The children were a credit to the school and we are all so proud of them.



Reading

Miss Reeves has been very busy sorting out some new reading books for our children and has been carefully putting together some guidance on reading at home. This will be coming out to you soon so please look out for that. At Walsgrave we are determined that every child is given the best opportunities to develop their reading and we would love you support at home with this too.

Reading for pleasure is one of the strongest indicators of future academic success. Research shows that: children who read regularly for enjoyment develop better vocabulary, stronger comprehension and greater confidence. Being read to daily exposes children to hundreds of thousands more words each year than children who are not read to regularly. Just 10 minutes of shared reading a day can make a significant difference to a child's language development.

We strongly encourage:

- Children having time to read books they have chosen themselves
- Shared story time every night, where an adult reads aloud to their child
- Talking about stories, characters and pictures to build understanding and enjoyment



Our Value for this half term is Thankfulness...



Mr Sowerby lead our collective worship on Monday. We started the week thinking about the Jane Goodall Earth medal. This new medal will be presented to outstanding individuals—and institutions—who make a meaningful contribution to our planet, driving real change on today's most important Earth-related issues through the power of art, media, science, and communication. We thought about how we can be thankful for the world around us and how important it is to look after our world.

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