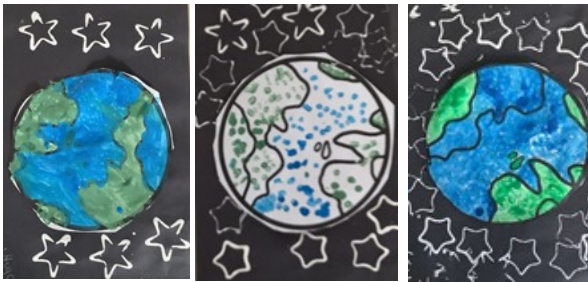




Message from Mrs Crouch

It has been a very busy week. Topaz enjoyed their Victorian school experience in St Albans Cathedral, Sapphire explored the animal kingdom at The British Museum and Garnet class created their Earth pictures.



This week we celebrated World Earth Day. During the Eco Committee assembly, the children explained a range of ways we can all help protect the Earth and look after our environment. One child shared a fascinating insight: *“Did you know that even the smallest creatures - even the ones we sometimes find scary or annoying, like wasps, spiders and flies - have important roles in nature? Some carry pollen to help flowers and plants grow, some are food for other animals, and others act as predators. Wasps not only carry pollen between plants, but they also help control mosquito numbers by eating them!”*

Other children told us how we can save energy by turning off lights and heating when they're not needed, and how reusing or swapping toys instead of always buying new ones can make a big difference to our planet. What brilliant ideas!

With the warmer, glorious sunshine now here, we'd like to gently remind parents and carers to label all clothing. Clear labels make it much easier to return items to their owners and help prevent things from going missing.

Core Values



Gentle Reminder:

Have you ordered your school Group photo yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is Thursday 30th April 2026.

Order through the Tempest website using your unique link that was emailed to you, or if you have received paper order forms visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 5).

Dates

29th Apr—Year 3/4 Football Match at Roundwood Park School 3.30pm

30th Apr—Harpenden & District Chess Tournament at Crabtree School 1.30pm

4th May— May Bank Holiday—School Closed—No children attending

6th May—Harpenden & District Year 3/4 Football Tournament at Sauncey Wood 1.30pm

7th May—Church Kitchen and Hall being used for Polling Station—All children to bring a packed lunch

W/c 11th May—Year 6 SATS Week

12th May—Garnet Class visiting Harpenden Fire Station am

18th May—PTA Meeting online 7.30pm

20th May—Garnet Class Assembly 9.10am

22nd May—Sports Day

25th –29th May—Half Term

1st-3rd Jun—Year 6 PGL

5th Jun—Inset Day—School Closed—No children attending

26th Jun—PTA School Disco

4th July—St Nicholas PTA Summer Ball 7pm-Midnight

10th Jul—PTA AGM at Cornelia's Café 1pm

16th-17th Jul—Year 5 Burwell House Residential Trip

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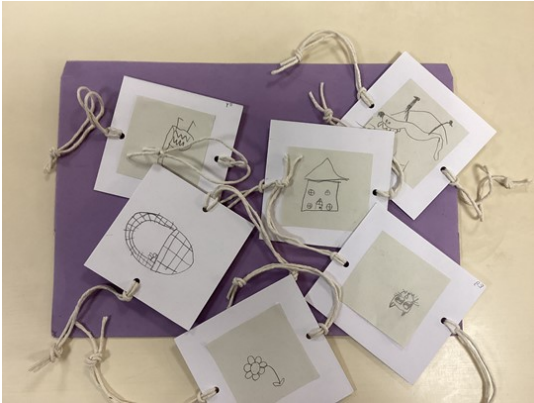
This half term we are learning about:

Service



Topaz Class St Albans Cathedral Trip:

Topaz class spent an interesting day at St Albans Cathedral learning about what it was like to be at school during Victorian times. They also explored some of the games and activities children played and made their own thaumatrope.



Awards: Stars of the week:

Diamond: Benjamin for working really hard as an eco rep on the Earth Day Assembly. Grace for always being really thoughtful and showing teamwork.



Sapphire: Alexander H for his active participation in class discussions and valuable contribution to the class learning. Ines for supporting her peers well and working hard across all subjects. Sapphire Class for excellent behaviour on their trip to The British Museum.

Emerald: Finley for showing a good understanding of mixed numbers on a number line. Samuel for an excellent explanation of what 'permeable' means.

Topaz: Topaz class for their enthusiasm and engagement on their trip to St Albans Cathedral.

Garnet: Annie for her fantastic first two weeks in Garnet class and for settling in so well. Ruby for her excellent practical work in Maths using numbers to 20.

Good Citizen Award:

Emerald: Zidan for his act of service for kindly covering the Football table in the garden without being asked.



Extra—Curricular Achievements:

Diamond: Congratulations to Charlie for being awarded a trophy for the Break-through Player at the end of year Rugby awards.



Prayer

Dear God,
Thank you for all the times when we can act and help other people.
Thank you for all the times that we have been cared for.
Please help us always to care for others.
Please help us to use our time to help other people.
Please help us to be like the Good Samaritan so that we know when to ACT.
Amen.



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