

22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

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## A Loving Place, Where we CARE, Learn and Grow Together

We have had an amazing week in school as we have explored, discovered and celebrated all things STEM. The children have been really engaged and have risen to every single challenge we have set for them! I hope you have been keeping up with the posts on our Facebook page to see what your child has been up to.

All classes have been learning about an Aspirational female figure from the STEM industries and across the week, they have been writing about (or too) them. These **STEM ambassadors** have included: *Komal Dadlani, Catherine Mahugu, Yu Jung-Lui and Mary Jackson*. We have also welcomed engineers into school, taken Year 3 to the Robotics show and set lots of STEM challenges to each year group. A huge thank you to Mrs Wilson-Andoh for her hard work and dedication in setting up this STEM week. It has been such an inspirational success.

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you all next week for another incredible week of learning.

**Mel Nugent**  
Headteacher

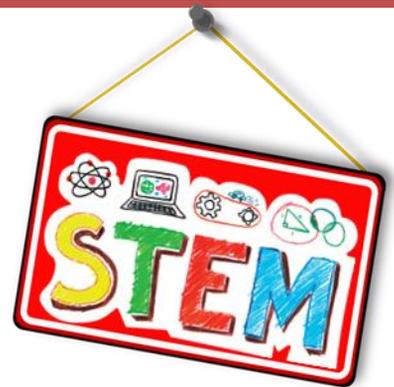
### In School This Week

#### STEM WEEK

This week we have enjoyed a wide range of activities and challenges – all linked to STEM. What a great start to the new academic year it has been! A huge thank you is due to Mrs Wilson-Andoh for her incredible dedication and inspiring leadership that has ensured that this week has been such a huge success. We would also like to thank our parent governor, Mrs Inchley: for planning and running Inspire Day for us this week. Here are some of the highlights from the week.

#### Inspire Day

We were fortunate enough to enjoy a whole school inspire day on Tuesday this week, courtesy of Volkswagen. We learned all about electric cars and sustainability. Then the team, set each class a challenge linked to STEM! We were also lucky enough to have some electric cars on the playground to learn about and explore! [#STEMWeek](#) [#aspiration](#) [#care](#) [#FutureInnovators](#)

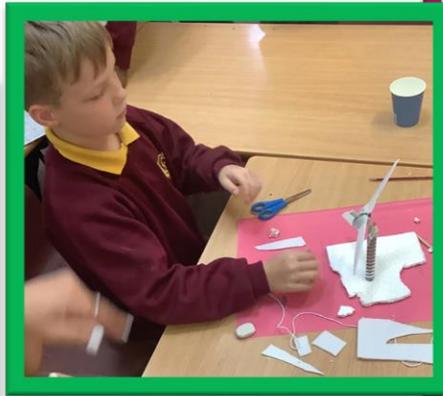


# Year 3 Robotics Trip

On Thursday, Year 3 visited the Robotics Event in the City Centre. They travelled by bus (which was very exciting) and learned so much about how robots are about to change the world! They met a robot dog, a robot waiter and even a robot that can control a lift! They also spoke to robotics engineers and came away excited and full of new aspirations!



# STEM Challenges



# Our School Rewards

## The Golden Book

We are very proud of all our children at CtS, a special well done to those that received Golden Book certificates this week!

This Week's KS2 Winners	
 Mustard	Harrison
 Rosehip	Ryan B
 Catkin	Ranelle
 Barley	Bessy
 Wheat	Matthew

## This Week's KS1 Winners

 Daisy	Holly / Thomas
 Poppy	Kwabena
 Pumpkin	Aleena
 Acorn	Noah

This week the theme was:  
**Smart Learner**  
The **CARE** Value Achieved was:  
**Engagement**

## Attendance Bears

KS1— Pumpkin 97%  
KS2— Barley 99%  
**Well done!!**

## TT Rockstars

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Year 3 - Sean  
Year 4 - Abigail  
Year 5 – Ranelle  
Year 6 – Manuela and Christos



## The House Cup



The team that have earned the most points this week is the **YELLOW** Team

**WELL DONE Yellow TEAM!**

## Polite Reminder

Jewellery is not permitted at school, with the exception of one stud in each ear and these will need to be removed for PE and Swimming.

# Get to Know our Governors

Each week we plan to keep you up to date with the work of the Governing Body in school. We will also meet each member of the LGB. **This week, we start with our second Co-Chair: Reverend Ruth Harley.**

## Reverend, Ruth Harley Co-Chair of Governors

I have been involved with Christ the Sower since I arrived as a minister in Watling Valley Ecumenical Partnership in 2021. Since then, it has been a delight to see the school flourish as a learning community where everyone is nurtured and enabled to grow and achieve.

I bring to the LGB my previous experience as Chair of Governors in a Church of England school, including steering the school through Ofsted and SIAMS inspections with successful outcomes. I also bring a wealth of experience working with children and families in a wide range of settings, including schools, community groups, and churches.

In my church role I have a longstanding interest in developing intergenerational worship and community, and enabling children and adults to grow, learn and flourish together. My current role in Watling Valley means that I know the local community well and have strong links with community groups and organisations. I am also a published theologian and occasionally teach in theological college settings. Outside of work, I enjoy reading and writing poetry, and trying not to kill the plants in my garden!

As someone who came from a deprived background but flourished because of the education I received, I am passionate about the difference education can make to a child's life, as well as the essential role of schools as a cornerstone of local community life. I also firmly believe in education as part of the church's mission: ensuring that every child knows they are loved and valued, and has the tools and opportunities they need to live life in all its fullness.



Ruth Harley



## Keep Up to Date

### Autumn Term 2023

September	October	November	December
<p><b>Wednesday 27</b> Poppy class parent's Phonics workshop 9-9.40 and 2.15-3pm.</p> <p><b>Friday 29</b> MacMillan Coffee morning in the school hall 3.15pm everyone welcome.</p>	<p><b>Tuesday 17</b> October Parents Evening</p> <p><b>Thursday 19</b> October Parents Evening</p>		<p><b>Wednesday 13</b> Christmas Jumper Day</p>

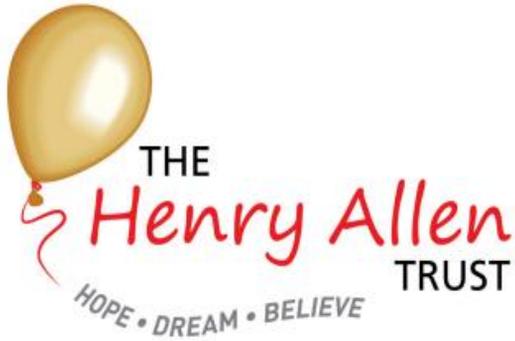


**We are hosting a MacMillan Coffee morning on Friday 29 September in the school hall.**

**Everyone is welcome, bring your pennies and lets raise some money for a good cause!**

**3.15 – 4.30pm**





# CHARITY EVENING

Tuesday 10 Oct 2023 7-10PM

A fun evening to raise funds for the Wonderful Henry Allen Trust at The Grange Indian Restaurant at 132 Dunthorne Way, Grange Farm MK8 0LW



£35 A HEAD

The evening will be compared by the amazing Colin Adamson and you be served wonderful Indian cuisine. The evening will also have a charity raffle with great prizes.

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