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Dear Parents,

The children have just finished their work on dragons, you may like to come in and see our own Farway fire-breathing dragon and see some of the children's work.



Our new website went live this week. I am still working on adding some photos from events during the last year or so. This should be done by the end of half term. I hope you will find the site useful. Please let me know if you can think of anything else that would be useful to include on the website. The menu is on the 'parents' tab. We are sorry for the recent changes in the menu choices – hopefully these have settled down now with the swap of hot dogs and toad in the hole.

Thank you for being patient with us whilst our clerical assistant, Jenny, is poorly. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope that she is back with us soon.

Next week we will be welcoming Amelie into pre-school. Her family has recently moved into the village.

Thank you for all your continued support.
God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Farway CE School

Question of the week

We are talking about spirituality in school next week and so you may like to discuss the diagram below and think about the following questions about spirituality.



In spirituality the questions are: where do I personally find meaning, connection and value?

In religion the questions are: what is true and right?

Where the circles overlap is the individual experience, which affects the way you think, feel and behave.

Some spiritual questions to think about:

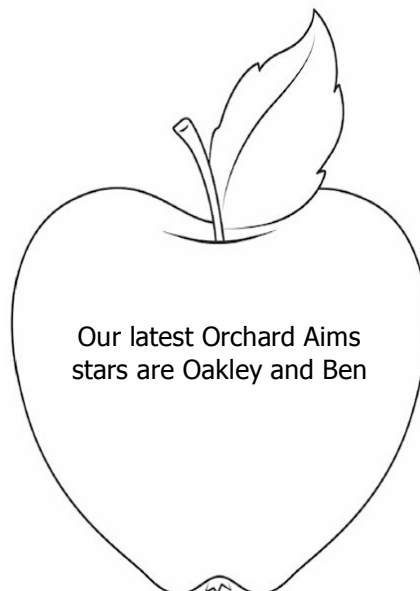
Am I a good person?

How am I connected to the world around me?

How can I live my life in the best way possible?

Parent Governor Vacancy

One of our Parent Governors, Clara Rose, has taken the decision to resign from her position on the federation's governing body. We would like to thank her for her dedicated service and all that she has done for our schools during her time as governor. She will leave the role in the next few weeks. However, this means that there will now be a vacancy for a dedicated parent on our governing body. The role can be demanding, but is also very rewarding. If you think that you may have the qualities, skills and time necessary to take on this role, please get in touch with Mrs Gray in the first instance. She can provide you with more information about what the role entails. We will start the formal process of selecting a new governor in the next couple of weeks – further details will be given soon.



Collective Worship Activity



HALL OF FAME



Bravery v. Slavery

Harriet Tubman was born nearly 200 years ago in Maryland, USA. Her family were slaves which means that they had to work for the people who 'owned' them. Slaves had no pay and no rights and they could be bought or sold like property. As Harriet grew older she was afraid that she would be sold and sent far away from her family to work for strangers. She decided to try to escape. This needed great **courage** because Harriet knew that if she was caught she would be cruelly punished. After many adventures and with the help of kind people along the way, Harriet managed to escape to Canada, where slavery was banned.

It would have been safest for Harriet to stay in Canada and make for herself a comfortable and easier life, but she was determined not to forget her family and friends who still suffered as slaves in America. She made her way back and forth to Maryland not once, but *nineteen times*, facing great danger and showing amazing bravery as she helped slaves to escape to freedom. By the end of her life Harriet had helped to free around 300 slaves!

After her death Harriet received many honours for her bravery. A ship was named after her, and in 1995 the US government issued a postage stamp to celebrate her **courageous** life.

Key Term Dates

10th February – Break for half term
 20th February – Back to school
 28th February – Pancake Races
 2nd March – World Book Day
 23rd March – Parents' Evening
 31st March – Easter Service 11am – End of term
 18th April – Summer Term begins
 26th May – Break for half term
 5th June – Back to school
 21st July- End of term

Please order meals for _____

	Menu Choices for Week Beginning 6 th February 2017	Cost £2.50 per meal
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
	Amount Enclosed	£
	Please make cheques payable to Devon County Council	