William Gilpin CE VA Primary School
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The question this week is:
Why do you think we have rules at school?

Pancake Races
Please put the date in your diary. This year we are aiming for every child to have the chance to race and even more importantly to have the opportunity to eat a fresh pancake in the morning, with Years 5 and 6 cooking their own!

Safer Internet Day
February 7th is Safer Internet Day. During next week all teachers will be discussing safety issues around using the internet, at an appropriate level, with their classes. There is also an on-line resource available for parents from that day. This resource can be accessed at www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents

Face Britain
We are delighted to inform you that during the next month the whole school will be taking part in the 'Face Britain' event to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the Olympic and Paralympic Games. To mark this special year children in every school have been invited to make a self-portrait which will be uploaded to an on-line gallery. The aim is to create a world record for the largest display of work. More information can be found at:
www.facebritain.co.uk

Outdoor Games
All the children participate in outdoor games throughout the year and currently it is very cold making it a more of a 'chilling experience' than an enjoyable one, if they have not got the appropriate clothing on. We would recommend that all children have a pair of jogging bottoms for these periods of cold weather. The only requirement is that they are dark green or black and of a suitable length. We do have a limited selection of sizes in school but ones purchased elsewhere in the right colours are acceptable.

Burns Night Ceilidh!
A big thank you and well done to everyone who helped with and supported the school's first ever Burns Night Ceilidh last Saturday. In particular, thanks go to Harriet Draycott, Helen Wood, Mel Thomas, Sarah Hogsden, Becky Clarke, Andree Gowar and Jayne Walder who did a fantastic job organising the evening and to Helen Dennett who helped on the evening . It was a 'reeling' success (sorry!) and we have received compliments from many of those who came to dance the night away in Scottish style (some might not have called it dancing!). Many complained of sore feet and aching limbs the following morning but all have asked for a repeat performance next year! The final figure raised is in the region of £550 – so well done all!
Val van der Hoven

Wednesday 8th February	Family Worship
Thursday 9th February	Maths Curriculum Evening/Learning Lines ~ Multiplication and Division 7 – 8 pm
Friday 10th February	**INSET ~ SCHOOL CLOSED**
Half-Term	**Monday 13th February ~ Friday 17th February**
Tuesday 21st February	Pancake Races at 2.30pm
Wednesday 22nd February	Family Worship
Friday 24th February	Mrs Timmings Class Worship at 2.40pm