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Newsletter

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- **Get Well Soon** - On Saturday, as some of you may be aware, Mrs Melvin had an accident whilst at the Britain's Got Talent rehearsal in St Anne's. She slipped on the hall floor and an ambulance was called. She has spent the weekend in hospital and has fractured a bone in her back. She is in terrible pain but was allowed home late last night. At the moment, we don't have a timescale for her return. Mrs Melvin has asked me to pass on her thanks for all the kind wishes she has received and for the help she had on Saturday morning.
- **World Smile Day** - On Friday 6th October it is World Smile Day. In school we will be taking part in some fun activities to raise awareness for the Smile Train. Smile Train is an international children's charity with a sustainable approach to a single, solvable problem: cleft lip and palate. For more information - www.smiletrain.org.uk. We ask if children can donate £1 on Friday for this worthwhile cause.
- **Class Worship** - a reminder that on Thursday 5th October we will be having our first class worship at St Anne's Church. This week our Year 4 class will be leading our worship. Parents and other family members of the Year 4 children are invited to share in this worship in church at 9am.



- **BIG Write** - Once a half term we will be starting a new initiative in school called 'Big Write'. Big Writing is an approach to teaching writing and raising writing standards that focuses on:
 - ⇒ The importance of **TALK and oral rehearsal**
 - ⇒ **Accurate basic skills** - spelling, punctuation, grammar and handwriting.
 - ⇒ Regular and **meaningful assessment** and target setting.
 - ⇒ **High expectations** for all pupils.
 - ⇒ Giving writing a **purpose** and making it fun!

Before any BIG write the children will come home with a '**Talk Homework**'. The first homework will be this Friday and our school BIG Write session will take place Monday. Children will come home with a leaflet with more information on about what happens and the following link guides you through what we will be doing.

www.youtube.com/watch?v=gWCF-RtefMk

I will post this link on ClassDojo as well.

Mr Mark Harding

Deputy Headteacher

