

Wychwood (C.E.) Primary School A Very Special Day

On Tuesday 19th October, 30 pupils and three members of staff attended the **St. Frideswide's Service** in Christchurch Cathedral in Oxford. St. Frideswide is the patron saint of Oxford and she is remembered each year with a wonderful service.

Off With His Head- and Tie!

The children arrived at County Hall and were given a chance to see the Council Chamber and learn what goes on there. Next, they went into the County Courtroom and put Mr. Edwards on trial for his choice of ties! Needless to say he was found guilty, sentenced by Judge Charlotte Taylor to two months imprisonment and 'taken down' to the cells in Oxford Prison and very firmly locked behind bars!

The Great Hall at Hogwarts

After a splendid afternoon tea, the children were taken to Christchurch Cathedral for the service. This year the theme was volunteering and our pupils had written some poems on this topic. Liam Harris and Amelia Moran read theirs out to the whole congregation. We then led the procession to St. Frideswide's Shrine where everybody laid down a sprig of rosemary in remembrance. After the service we were shown a staircase in the college where part of the first Harry Potter film was filmed and also



taken into the dining hall which was used as the model for the Great Hall at Hogwarts in all the Harry Potter films. Everyone had a wonderful time and the children were superb ambassadors for Wychwood Primary School.

Pat Staines

Poems About Volunteering

The poems read in the service were:

Liam Harris aged 7

*The volunteer is nice
The volunteer is helpful
The volunteer helped me twice –
Even when I'm bashful!*

Amelia Moran aged 7

*We have volunteers in our school,
They help us to read and swim in the pool.
We have volunteers on our village green,
Picking up litter and keeping it clean.
We have volunteers down our road,
They all helped out when it snowed.
Volunteering is a good thing to do.
I volunteer and I hope you do too!*

Volunteering lies at the heart of the Wychwood community so it is lovely to see the children's poems. Find two more poems about volunteering on page 21, they were written by Alice Taylor and Charlie Parsons.

Volunteering is alive and well in the Wychwoods.

Editor