



St George's School Bourton

A Church of England School

*work together, play together
learn together ... shine!*

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The time has come for our first Creative Day of the year. We are basing each day on one of the 7 words championed by Guy Claxton, the creator of the Building Learning Power framework we use in school. Collaboration is the first one, the others are Curiosity, Communication, Commitment, Creativity, Confidence and Craftsmanship. These are all considered key skills for the twenty-first century.

A World of Friendship – Collaboration Day

On Friday 20th November all the children across the school will be building 'Worlds' that show how we live together in friendship with each other. Along with teaching them about the importance of friendship towards others, the key skill we will be focusing on will be **Collaboration**. The children are already very good at working in groups to achieve a shared goal, so for this project we are increasing the challenge for them. Instead of planning and making a 'world' with a group of other children throughout the day, we will ask them to start off an idea, then leave it for another group to build and further groups to improve during the day. The resulting model will be a collaboration between several groups of children.

Don't worry if that doesn't seem very clear, the children will pick up the idea on the day!

What we need from you wonderful parents is junk to build with:

- Small cardboard boxes
- Magazines
- Small plastic containers such as yoghurt pots
- Cardboard tubes (but not loo rolls)
- Material
- Milk containers
- Any small wooden sticks or shapes
- Anything else that might be made into little houses or people.

Please send in anything you can find to your child's classroom anytime next week.

We are sure it will be a really great way for the children to learn about how to be brilliant collaborators. We don't have high expectations for the end products they produce, but will focus on the way they work together during the day. There will be a short Achievement Assembly at 2.40pm if you'd like to find out how the day went!

Thank you in advance for your collaboration in this work...we need all the junk we can get our hands on!

M.Salisbury