



Newton Burgoland Primary School

Governor Visit – 'Open the Book' Assembly

Friday, 28th February 2020

This morning I enjoyed a whole school assembly, presented by the 'Open the Book' project, who regularly visit the school to share stories from the bible. Today's story concerned Jesus calming the storm in the Sea of Galilee, and was performed by a team of Christians who dressed and acted in character.

At the outset of the presentation, the children were invited to join in with a rhyme, accompanied by clapping, that they had clearly practised and brought forward from previous sessions. The pupils all appeared to engage with this, and then sat quietly and respectfully whilst the re-enactment took place. Some of the children had already been selected to join in, and were given items of scenery to hold – i.e. clouds etc. At the end, these children were thanked, and were given stickers. The presenter suggested what could have been learnt (how Jesus had calmed his frightened friends), and also invited everyone to join in with a prayer.

As ever when I spend time in school, I was most impressed by the pupils behaviour and manner throughout the session, including their arrival and departure from the hall, and their attentiveness during the assembly itself.

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Parent Governor

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