Archbishop of York Young Leaders Award

The Archbishop of York Young Leaders Award is a programme designed to empower young children to make a difference and to change the future of our world for the better.

Golden Miles

Hartington School's first action project was the Golden Mile to raise money for the Dementia 'Alzheimer's Society'. They did this by running 100 laps of the school playground, collecting a band for each lap. According to the bands, many of the children completed more than the target of 100 laps. One younger child reported, "It was tiring and exciting but for a good cause and worth it." Finally the pupils of Hartington School raised over £230 for the Alzheimer's Society.

Smile Train

Linking to the Alzheimer's project, the school decided to dive deeper into another charity called the 'Smile Train'. This is a charity that supports and raises money for cleft (a deformity that happens when a child is developing in the womb). Therefore, as the school had such an enormous impact on helping the Alzheimer's Society, they thought it would be great if they did something for such a worthy charity. So on Friday 1st October 2021 the school plans to fund raise.

Quiet Garden

As many people are suffering from the effects the Covid 19 pandemic restrictions have caused and mental health issues, quiet gardens, as Philip Roderick called them, have become more popular. The scents, textures and sounds relax people and help them to forget this stressful world and move to a refreshing and relaxing place. Therefore, in order to create our own quiet garden, we have been gifted a wooden Tepee and will be

creating a beautiful space around it for staff and pupils to relax, rewind and enjoy our connection to nature.

Wild Flowers

As the school is designing and making a quiet garden, the teachers thought it necessary to join the village crusade to create wild flower plots around the village. An older pupil quoted "Wildflowers have an impact on everyone including you". Included in this campaign, the children at Hartington, with the community, went to the Church to investigate the plot set aside for this project. They searched for wild flowers, as well as learning how to identify them and name the many different types.

Litter Pick

Finally, the school thought it necessary to carry on the crusade that we started in 2019 to keep our village clean and tidy. So recently, the school went out into the village and identified the litter hot spots. Later on, Hartington School and the elderly went out again and picked up the litter in the previously identified litter hot spots.

As you must see, Hartington School has been very busy this year helping and improving their much loved community. We have all learnt that we have the power to make a difference not only to our lives, but to those of others too.

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