

Long Melford Church of England Primary School and Nursery

The Coronation – Friday 5th May 2023

During the Summer Term, we have been investigating Coronations, learning The Sound of Trumpets, the Coronation song that was written for primary schools, and creating our own version of the Crown Jewels.

On Friday 5th May, we went to Holy Trinity Church in order to celebrate Long Melford's Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla.

Our service began with our **Fox Class** Pages parading through the Church, whilst wearing their crowns.



Fossey Class shared their model of Westminster Abbey as well as some facts about it.



Rashford Class created a model of the Diamond Jubilee Stage Coach that the King and Queen used to travel from Buckingham Palace to Westminster Abbey.



Rev'd Lawson took the part of the Archbishop of Canterbury and led King Charles through taking the Coronation Oath.

Each step of the Coronation Service was explained by our Narrators, Daniel and Poppy (our Head Boy and Head Girl).





The Archbishop of Canterbury anointed the King with Holy Oil that came from Jerusalem. Once the King had been anointed, he was presented with the Coronation Regalia which included:

The Sovereign's Orb made by **Tereshkova Class**



The Sovereign's Sceptre with a Cross made by **Potter Class**

The Sovereign's Sceptre with a Dove made by **Parks Class**.

Once King Charles had received the

Crown Jewels he was crowned and he moved from the very old St Edmund's Throne, to the new throne that had been made for him.



It was then the turn of Queen Camilla. She was anointed by the Archbishop of Canterbury and was presented with her own Sceptre, made by **Potter Class**.

After she was crowned, she sat on her throne, next to King Charles.





After the Coronation Service, the King and Queen travelled from Westminster Abbey to Buckingham Palace in the Gold State Coach, made by **Rashford Class**.

The whole school then paraded back to school, following the King and Queen.



The Parade stopped at Policeman's Green and Felicity, our Town Crier, made The Proclamation of the Crowning of a King.

She did so well and kept going even when it started to thunder!

It was then back to school for a family picnic and an afternoon of Coronation craft activities – although due to the wet weather, it was quite cramped in school, and some of the activities that would have been undertaken outside were cancelled.

Thank you to our King and Queen, Seth and Chloe, our Narrators, Daniel and Poppy and Felicity, our Town Crier.

Thank you to Reverend Lawson for being such an awesome Archbishop.



Thank you to Cllr John Nunn for giving us Locality Funding to help us purchase Coronation Mugs for every child.

Thank you to all our parents and grandparents who were able to join us.

Thank you to our fabulous Kitchen team Mrs Green and Mrs Langley, for their hard work and extremely tasty Coronation cake and sausage rolls.

Thank you to FLUMPS for providing our children with Ice Creams.

Finally, thank you to all our teaching staff for their hard work and enthusiasm!

