



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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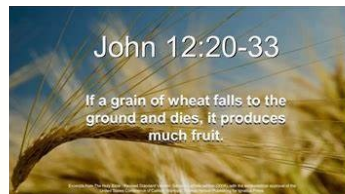
Year 4 Reconciliation

Thank you Fr Julio who came in to school on Tuesday to lead the children of Year 4 in the sacrament of Reconciliation.



Sunday 17th March 2024

Gospel: John 12:20-30



By losing their life, the followers of Jesus will find it in a new way

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine."

Police Visit Nursery

This term Nursery classes have been continuing to learn about People Who Help Us. They have been finding out about the important jobs people do in our community and how they help us in an emergency. Last week, we were visited by a Police Officer who talked to the children about what his role as a Police Officer involved. Children had an opportunity to wear different Police hats, look for hidden metals using a metal detector and ask important questions. Thank you PC Bantleman for visiting our Nursery.



Wild West Theatre Workshops

On Monday every class in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 enjoyed a drama workshop when they went on a Wild West adventure to find *The Horse with the Golden Mane*. The children worked together as they explored the Wild West. When Billy the Goat appeared, the children had to be as still as a cactus. The children really enjoyed this engaging and fun workshop. Thank you Mr Brooks for organising this visit.



Love Learn Believe

RAF Hendon Trip

Monday's Y6 trip to the RAF Museum was a great success in many ways. The children had the chance to show-off their impressive knowledge of World War Two whenever Museum staff asked them questions.

One of our workshops was 'WW2 classroom'. Children were given a little exercise book and wrote in it using a fountain pen dipped in ink; learnt about pounds, shillings and pence; and had to go under the desks when the air-raid siren sounded!

At another workshop, we learned about the role of an ARP Warden; looked at blackout curtains; handled a gas mask and an incendiary bomb! The air-raid siren went off during this workshop too and everybody had to go to the public shelter which was a squeeze. If anyone needed the toilet, there was a 'potty' in the corner! Luckily, the all-clear sounded before we got too desperate!

Year six enjoyed seeing aircraft from World War Two, including the RAF's Lancaster Bomber, Spitfire and Hurricane as well as the Luftwaffe's Messerschmitt. We also heard the stories of Daphne's bravery as an RAF volunteer and Bernard's journey from being ground crew to pilot, plus we got to wear some RAF uniform, learning what the various badges on them meant.

It was a packed day of fun and learning which should live long in the memory. Thank you to the Year 6 staff for organising the trip.



Art Competition

On Thursday four children from Upper Phase attended an art morning hosted by Holy Family Catholic School. The aim of the event was to help the children realise their artistic potential and combine this ability with teamwork in order to express and develop their enjoyment of Art. The children were asked to create a collage which reflected their identity. The children's focus and determination was exemplary and they each completed an impressive piece of art. We were very proud teachers. Well done children. Thank you to Miss Scotts and Miss Reddin for accompanying them.



Catholic Social Teaching

1 Peter 4:8-11

'Serve one another with the gifts you have received.'

"The existence of each individual is deeply tied to that of others: life is not simply time that passes; life is a time for interactions." (Pope Francis, *Brothers and Sisters to Us* [*Fratelli Tutti*], no. 66)



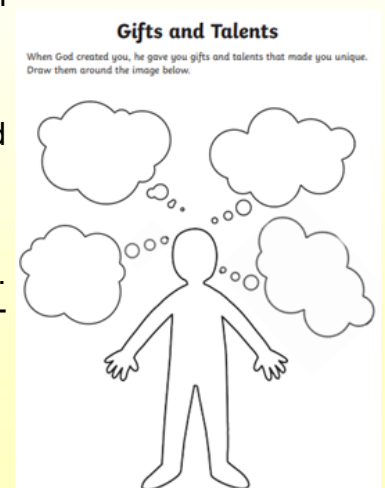
Let us reflect on these words as we continue our focus this term on 'Community and Participation'

What special gifts or talents have you received?

In what way do you try to use these gifts or talents to help those around you?

Challenge:

Draw an image of yourself with the gifts you have received around you. Look at the image below to help you. Please bring into class on Thursday 21st March.



Jiu Jitsu Champion

Congratulations to Marie in Year 3 who won first place in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu at the London Warriors Cup competition on Sunday. Well done Marie, you are an inspiration to us all!



Let Girls Play

Last Friday, St Joseph's took part in Let Girls Play; a nationwide campaign that aims to promote equal access to football to girls.

During the morning, over 200 girls from Reception - Year 6 took part in sessions where they practised football skills and built confidence when playing. At lunch it was girls only football on the pitch. This gave them the opportunity to play without feeling like they were being judged on their skills or not having the ball passed to them. The girls only football at lunch was a huge success. We will continue this on Fridays for the weeks building up to Easter.

A big thank you to all of the female staff who ran and supervised sessions throughout the day.



Oral Health Talks

On Thursday the Lower Phase were paid a visit by Adele, an oral health specialist. She delivered an engaging session that informed the children about the importance of oral hygiene, how a sugary diet can be detrimental to your teeth and how to brush your teeth and tongue correctly.

The children gained so much knowledge in the session, they even answered all of the questions correctly in the quiz at the end of the session.

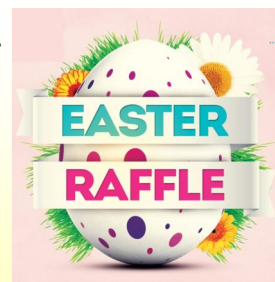


PTA Easter Egg Raffle

The PTA have done their first round of counting Easter eggs in each of the classes. The leading classes currently are:

- Lower Phase: 1SR with 27 eggs
- Middle Phase: 3DB with 42 eggs
- Upper Phase: 6MS with 40 eggs

Children have until Friday 22nd March to bring in chocolate Easter eggs. The winning class from each phase will be enjoying a movie and popcorn as a class treat. Thanks to all that have donated so far.



Hanwell Community Library

Hanwell Community Library is looking for help from us. They are trying to find out how the library can better serve the community. To this end they would like you to fill out a questionnaire:

<https://forms.gle/49zo7jAVi4D9SDMB9>

Please have a look at the flyer at the back of the newsletter.



Celebrations

Religious Education Work of the Week awards are given to children who have shown that bit of extra effort in their RE lessons that week.

Class	Name	Reason
Nursery	Klaudia	For drawing a beautiful picture of Jesus praying in the desert.
RB	Thomas	For sharing great ideas when writing our class St. Joseph's prayer. Thank you!
RH	Maria	For being thoughtful and prayerful in our class collective worship.
RL	Pablo	For being a kind and thoughtful friend. Well done!
1AP	Aliarna	For showing her understanding of Holy Communion in her writing task.
1EB	Fatma	For writing and drawing our new topic words so well.
1SR	Roksana	For setting a great example when being a prayer leader.
2AB	Chloe	For writing a wonderful Eucharistic prayer.
2AF	Emmett	For his super recall of the different parts of the Mass.
2JB	Parvathy	For showing understanding that the Eucharist is about giving thanks for Jesus.
3AR	Sophia	For great interpretation of the Our Father and thoughtful responses.
3DB	Aminadab	For his prayer to St. Joseph.
3M	D'Law	For your lovely booklet of The Lord's Prayer.
4AS	Samuel	For thinking carefully about how we can 'go forth' in the world as the priest tells us to at the end of Mass.
4GS	Semhal	For great participation in R.E. lessons this week. Well done!
4S	Euan	For describing how we can fulfil the concluding Rite of the Mass when we are sent forth fantastically!
5AL	Charlotte	For writing a beautiful poem explaining how we can sacrifice a little in our daily life.
5AS	Lily	For writing a wonderful poem about the importance of Jesus in her life.
5CR	Piero	For creating a creative acrostic poem to explain how we can act more like Jesus.
6LI	Anna	For thinking carefully about what Jesus meant when he said 'I am the Bread of Life.'
6MS	Lucas	For his excellent reading aloud in our Way of the Cross rehearsal this week.
6WL	Oliver	For working hard to keep up with daily reading. Fantastic Oliver!

Headteacher awards are presented each week to children who the staff think have put that little bit of extra into their work. Well done to the children listed below:

Class	Name	Reason
Nursery	Randeesh	For establishing friendships in his first week of Nursery.
RB	Oliwia	For growing in confidence when expressing herself. Well done!
RH	Luca	For great enthusiasm and confidence in our 'Wild West' workshop.
RL	Maya	For great improvement in her handwriting.
1AP	Ava	For her wonderful effort when learning about multiples of 10.
1EB	1EB	For a great class assembly.
1SR	Micah	For a great improvement in behaviour and attitude towards learning. Keep it up!
2AB	Aleksandra	For excellent work on division.
2AF	2AF	For all their hard work and wonderful Class Collective Worship Assembly.
2JB	Joshua	For showing perseverance in calculating division.
3AR	Monika	For efforts to improve her handwriting and the presentation of her work.
3DB	Joseph	For trying exceptionally hard to improve his handwriting.
3M	Amen	For showing determination in keeping focused in class.
4AS	Liberty	For paying especially careful attention and focus during our safety swimming lesson.
4GS	Keeva	For challenging herself when working extremely hard and estimating numbers on a number line. Well done!
4S	Gega	For always trying his hardest writing sentences including fronted adverbials for our word of the day.
5AL	Franek	For excellent work in Geography when describing the effect of an earthquake on land and people.
5AS	Lidia	For writing a wonderful play script.
5CR	Max	For brilliant focus in all his learning this week. Keep it up!
6LI	Martina	For good listening and making knowledge links on our RAF Museum visit.
6MS	Lilly	For writing a super recount of our trip to RAF Hendon this week. Well done!
6WL	Ben	For always working hard to challenge himself in his writing.

Good Disciple awards are given to children who have shown exceptional love and kindness to fellow pupils and are helping to build God's kingdom here and now. Well done to the children listed below:

Phase	Name	Reason
Lower	Abesalat	For showing kindness to others.
Middle	Shaynie	For always having a positive attitude towards school and approaching everything with a smile.
Upper	Kayden	For showing kindness when putting his classmates' happiness before his own.

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