## St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter

22nd November 2024



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#### **Crazy Hair Day**

Thank you to all the children who brought in gifts for Crazy Hair Day. The reason for the day is to bring in a gift for a mum for the PTA Christmas Fayre. If you did not remember to bring a gift in, please bring it in on Monday.



#### Sunday 24th November 2024

Gospel: John 18:33-37

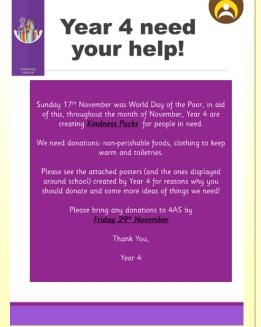


Pilate questions Jesus about kingship

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Whoever belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

#### **Kindness Packs**

To action their Catholic Social Teaching work this half term, Year 4 have made posters asking for donations to create 'Kindness Packs' to give out to people who are less fortunate than ourselves. Please help! I have attached a couple of examples to the back of the newsletter.



**Catholic Social Teaching** 

Following up on our topic from last term, Care for Creation, and combining with our Option for the Poor topic, Christmas is an expensive time of the year for everyone. Each year, many children write out 30 cards to their classmates and teacher. That is roughly 30 x 30 cards and envelopes; roughly 900 in total per class! If everyone in our school from Nursery to Year 6 did this then this will mean that 18,900 cards and envelopes will be written. Where do these cards end up after Christmas?



A gentle reminder that it is better to send a card to the class. The children really enjoy reading out their cards to the class and see the class cards on display – all in the knowledge that they were making a difference to the planet. Let's give Planet Earth a happier Christmas by reducing our paper waste and also save some money.

Challenge: We are asking that children create/ write one 'whole class' Christmas card.

- Write all of your classmates' names on it.
- Write a special Christmas message inside.

Classes can then put the 30 cards on display in the classroom for you to look at throughout Advent.

#### Year 6 Drugs Talk

On Tuesday, PC Carolyn McGuigan and PC Andy Pidding came in to talk to Year 6 about drugs, and how they affect our bodies and the people around us. The children gained an understanding of the distinction between legal and illegal drugs, and the different classes of illegal drugs. The talk focused on Marijuana and Cocaine in particular, discussing their harmful psychological and physical effects. The children learned how drug addiction could impact our relationships with friends and families.

and that a conviction for drug offences can have consequences for their future beyond a possible prison sentence, in terms of their ability to get a job or visa, for example.

PCs McGuigan and Pidding also talked about crimes linked to drug use such as drug-dealing, shoplifting, vehicle crime, burglary, assault and murder, and reminded the children of the consequences of being caught with drugs. The talk ended with advice about whom the children can seek advice from if they have any concerns in relation to drugs – by talking to teachers, family, friends or professionals, or by contacting Talk to Frank (www.talktofrank.com). As it was PC McGuigan's last talk at the school before her retirement, the children presented her with a bouquet of flowers to thank her for her many years of service to the community and our school. Thank you to the Year 6 teachers for organising.





#### **Road Safety Week**

This week, we took part in Road Safety Week 2024. The theme was 'After the Crash. Every Road Victim Counts'. The Year 4 TfL Explorer Ambassadors delivered an informative assembly to each phase and shared details of a poster competition based around the slogan of 'SEE the difference it makes'. If your child would like to send in an entry, these should be sent directly to Mrs Day in 3DB.



On Monday, 4 of our Ambassadors held a 'Be Bright Be Seen Stall' in the Infant playground. Unfortunately, due to rain we had to cancel Tuesday's sale. However, there will be another one held on Tuesday 26th November in the Junior playground after school. Please note the sale is cash only and all items are priced either 50p, £1 or £1.50. We thank you for your support in keeping our children safe when travelling. A special thank you to the Ambassadors and to Mrs Day.



#### **Rugby Sessions**

Ealing Trailfinders Women's team have been in touch with me to promote rugby for girls. The women's team play in the Premiership and want to reach out to the community and are looking for girls who would like to take up rugby as a sport. At the moment it is only available for girls aged 11-18 but the age range may come down. If you have a sister in high school, tell her about it.



#### Free Online Workshops

Please look at the back of the newsletter for free workshops on a variety of topics.

#### 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  |
|-------|-------------------|---|
| Nur   | George            | For explaining why Mary said 'yes' to God.  |
| RB    | Alicja            | For always showing kindness and thoughtfulness to others. Well done!  |
| RL    | Zoe               | For being very respectful to other people.  |
| 1AP   | Szymon            | For understanding the role of the Godparents during Baptism.  |
| 1EB   | Abilaash          | For super writing about the role of Godparents in Baptism.  |
| 1SR   | Charlie           | For continuing to display a great understanding of the Rite of Baptism.   |
| 2CF   | Penelope          | For her wonderful work on the symbols for Baptism.  |
| 2AF   | Ahmed             | For his superb work on how we should prepare for special events.  |
| 2JB   | Lourdes           | For her thoughtful responses about how we can help people in need.  |
| 3AR   | Akanksha          | For dedication and commitment when participating in prayers in class.   |
| 3DB   | Lamis             | For excellent work on the Rite of Baptism.  |
| 3SM   | Riku              | For creating a wonderful book, explaining the key events of the Rite of Baptism.                                  |
| 4AS   | Esme and<br>Myles | For answering questions during Mass thoughtfully and accurately.  |
| 4GS   | Mariusz           | For great participation and understanding in the living the light lesson. Well done!                              |
| 4S    | Blake             | For understanding and explaining how Sean Devereux was a good example of someone witnessing their calling by God. |
| 5AL   | Evelyn            | For creating a fantastic informative poster about a cake sale in our CST lesson.                                  |
| 5AS   | Oliwia            | For creating a wonderful poem about waiting in hope during the season of Advent.                                  |
| 5CR   | Larissa           | For creating a great poster for our fundraising event in Year 5!  |
| 6LI   | Dahlia            | For recalling other Catholic sacraments when discussing the Rite of Ordination.                                   |
| 6WL   | Kacper            | For effectively ordering the Sacrament of Ordination and discussing the symbolism.                                |

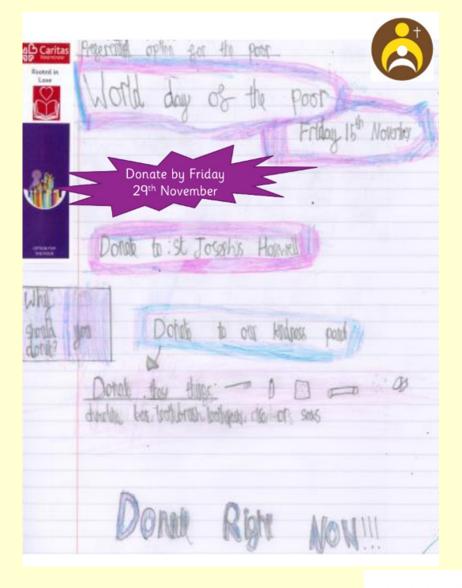
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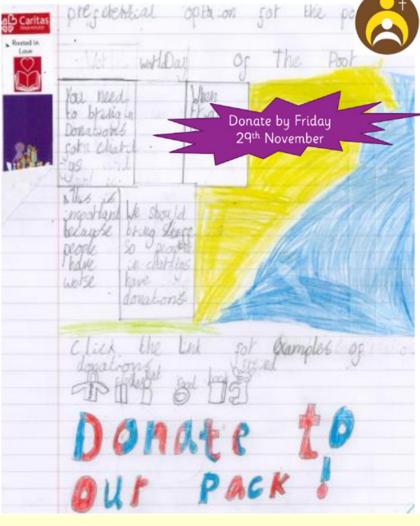
Headteacher awards are presented each week to children who the staff think have put that little bit of extra into their work. Well done to the children listed below:

| Class | Name                                      | Reason  |
|-------|---|---|
| Nur   | Adam                                      | For being kind and polite to others.  |
| RB    | Elsie                                     | For great progress in your reading. Well done.  |
| RL    | Yousef                                    | For following the class rules properly.   |
| 1AP   | Alana                                     | For her super work using number bonds to 10.  |
| 1EB   | Bentley                                   | For great effort with his writing in all subjects.  |
| 1SR   | Emily                                     | For her perseverance with all new learning.   |
| 2CF   | Joseph                                    | For becoming increasingly independent in learning activities.   |
| 2AF   | Mason                                     | For his brilliant participation in all subjects, well done!   |
| 2JB   | Hania                                     | For her great knowledge about what the Equator is.  |
| 3AR   | Harry                                     | For his continued effort and focus with all of his learning!  |
| 3DB   | Hubert                                    | For always being ready!   |
| 3SM   | Michal                                    | For working with determination to solve subtraction problems using the column method.                   |
| 4AS   | Dafidi, Esme,<br>Shane, Eloise,<br>Joseph | For superbly leading 3 assemblies about Road Safety Week!   |
| 4GS   | Annabella and<br>Alicia                   | For superbly leading 3 assemblies about Road Safety Week!   |
| 4S    | Veroniki                                  | For superbly leading 3 assemblies about Road Safety Week!   |
| 5AL   | Shaina                                    | For describing the climate on mountains and writing a diary entry about everyday life in Geography.     |
| 5AS   | Jack                                      | For making an excellent 3D model in computing lessons.  |
| 5CR   | Kaiden                                    | For great determination and a positive attitude in PE lessons!  |
| 6LI   | Piero                                     | For forming opinions and engagement in History.   |
| 6MS   | Denys                                     | For his excellent effort at improving his times tables recall speed this week. Well done!               |
| 6WL   | Kacper                                    | For showing great understanding of light and how we see objects using scientific vocabulary to explain. |

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  | Jakub 1EB  | For always offering help to adults and classmates.                                |
| Middle | Lily 3DB   | For being extremely helpful around class and taking good care of our common home. |
| Upper  | Joshua 5AS | For looking out for the needs of others in our class.                             |







# SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S EMOTIONAL WELLBEING

Connect-Ed delivers mental health support at St Joseph's RC Primary school.

This workshop will provide parents and carers with space to explore common challenges, learn new strategies and share with others.

## COME JOIN US ON TUESDAY THE 3RD OF DECEMBER FROM 9AM TO 10AM

Connect-Ed

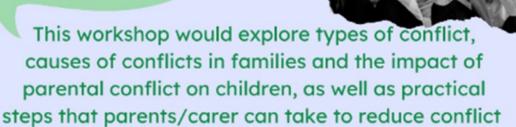
online parenting workshop

## MANAGING CONFLICT

Conflicts are regular occurrence in family lives. It's often a normal part of everyday life. However, studies have shown that incidents of conflict that are frequent, intense, and poorly resolved, can have a significant negative impact on mental health.

Tuesday 10th December 2024

10am-12pm via MS Teams



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SUPPORTIVE ACTION FOR FAMILIES IN





## FOR PARENTS AND STAFF TICKETS ARE £10 PER PERSON

DOOR OPEN AT 7:45PM

QUIZ STARTS AT 8:15PM

FRIDAY 22ND NOVEMBER 2024



SCAN THE QR CODE BOOK YOUR TICKETS

Our Lady and St Joseph Church Hall 52 Uxbridge Road, Ealing W7 3SU



6 PEOPLE TO A TABLE

CASH ONLY BAR

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