St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter Friday 23rd February 2024



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Lent

Every so often we miss the beginning of Lent as it falls in half term like this year. In school, we acknowledge that Lent is a significant season in the year, a time of solemnity and self-reflection where we think about our failings and resolve to live out better lives based on Jesus' teachings.



Sunday 25th February 2024 Gospel: Mark 9:2-10



The apostles glimpse Christ's glory, to sustain them through his imminent passion

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah. He did not know what to say, for they were terrified.

Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead could mean.

Middle Phase Poetry Recital

On Tuesday evening we held our Middle Phase Poetry Recital. Some children performed a published poem and other children recited their own poetry. It was wonderful to see the children practice their public speaking skills, building on their oracy sessions in class. I was immensely proud and also impressed with the individual and group recitals – such polished performances in front of lots of parents. Thank you to all the Middle Phase staff who encouraged and helped the children with their poetry skills and to Mr. Brooks for organising the event. I attach some photos of group performers at the back of the newsletter.

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Catholic Social Teaching

As human beings, we are called to live in community, with others, growing together and flourishing as a result. We are also called to get involved. At World Youth Day in 2013, Pope Francis challenged us: "Don't be observers, but immerse yourself in the reality of life, as Jesus did." We are called to be active members of society, our local and global community. This term our challenges will be focusing on we can be active members of society, our local and global community. Observing the reality of the world, remembering that first guideline of the dignity of all people, supporting one another and recognising how our gifts and talents could be used to the advantage of the wider community. Please try to complete the challenge each week. Class Teachers will be looking forward to seeing your hard work!

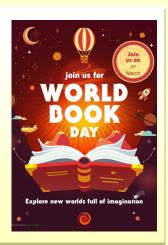
Challenge: This week, find out one fact about our local parish and be ready to share with your Class Teacher on Wednesday 28th February. We look forward to hearing all your wonderful facts!

Relationship and Health Education

Our Relationship and Health Education programme, 'Creation, Growth and Love' has always been firmly embedded within the PSHE framework as it is concerned with nurturing human wholeness and is integral to the physical, spiritual, emotional, moral, social and intellectual development of our children. However, the Diocesan requirement is for RHE to be a standalone topic. The 'Creation, Growth and Love' programme is very dated so therefore we want to update it to a newer programme offered by Ten Ten. Their programme, Life to the Full, is a Relationships and Health Education curriculum programme underpinned by a Christian faith understanding that our deepest identity is as a child of God – created, chosen and loved by God. During both Parent Evening sessions, I will have a short presentation available for parents to view and discuss in class 4S. The times on Thursday 29th February will be 5pm and 6pm and on Tuesday 5th March will be 4pm and 5pm.

World Book Day

Please read the letter that Mr. Brooks sent out by email today about our upcoming World Book Day 2024 on Thursday 7th March. Also, have a look at the exciting menu (at the back of this newsletter) available to the children on that day.



Dance festival move

The Dance Festival that we were going to hold on Thursday 2nd May has been moved back to Thursday 27th June.



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Poetry Recital

















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

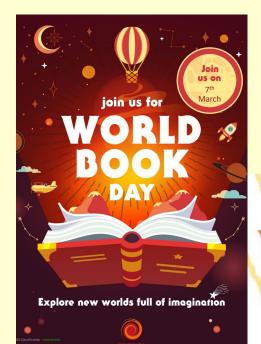
Class	Name	Reason
Nursery	Zoe	For talking about God's beautiful creations in the natural world.
RB	Filip	For being a great helper in our Collective Class Worship. Thank you!
RH	Christian	For speaking clearly when Mrs. Kenny and Mrs. Ingham were in the classroom. Fantastic use of the word 'courageous'!
RL	Mira	For writing a thoughtful Lenten promise.
1AP	Ronan	For understanding and explaining different parts of Mass to their peers.
1EB	Wyatt	For amazing contributions to our discussion about the parts of the Mass.
1SR	Ignacy	For displaying good understanding of the different parts of the Mass.
2AB	Tamiyah-Lee	For thoughtful writing on how we can help our friends and family.
2AF	Muhammad	For his lovely work showing how he helps his neighbours.
2JB	Antoni	For thinking of thoughtful ways that we can show community and participation.
3AR	Arianna	For excellent participation when talking about people who give to others.
3DB	Nikodem	For giving thoughtful responses in RE lessons and taking great care with his CST art work.
3M	Arthur	For describing how priests help people and what they sacrifice.
4AS	Olivier	For clearly explaining the symbols of the Introductory Rite and their purpose.
4GS	Julia M	For producing a carefully thought, creative title page for our topic of 'Giving and Receiving'.
4S	Cody	For a good understanding of the signs and symbols associated with the Introductory Rite.
5AL	Elise	For comparing two Gospels of the Last Supper according to Luke and Mark.
5AS	Alex	For comparing scripture from the Last Supper to artwork from various artists.
5CR	Louis and Olivier	For having a brilliant understanding of the first Passover story. Well done!
6LI	Felix	For leading his ministry team delivering a prayerful 'Celebration of the Word'.
6MS	Olly	For always doing his best to answer questions and contribute to discussions during RE.
6WL	Ethan	For producing a beautiful visual representation of Jesus' prayer for unity.

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	Arpi	For participating in class activities.
RB	Weronika	For having more confidence in phonic lessons. Keep it up!
RH	Jack	For taking positive steps to use his voice when speaking to Mrs. Klepacka and Miss Welland. You are doing a great job!
RL	Edward	For always giving 100% effort in his work. Well done!
1AP	Lilia	For her brilliant attitude to learning. Well done!
1EB	Ola	For her efforts and progress with her writing.
1SR	Noah	For improved focus during activities.
2AB	Abel	For putting lots of effort into all of his work at school.
2AF	Ellen	For her attention to detail when creating her lighthouse in Art.
2JB	Alisa	For her excellent understanding of multiplication.
3AR	Maria	For excellent effort when multiplying 2 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers.
3DB	Sandor	For his friendly, positive attitude and lovely manners.
3M	Jemima	For your amazing reading and efforts in class.
4AS	Kinda	For using brilliant Geography skills whilst finding the locations of rainforests in atlases.
4GS	Louie	For working extremely hard at collating a considerable amount of research on Viking longships.
4S	Alfie	For fantastic understanding of bar charts!
5AL	Aiyah	For working hard and supporting others during the Geography lesson on earthquakes.
5AS	Nikodem G	For displaying outstanding knowledge of the Maya number system.
5CR	Lena	For creating a great Maya mask on Topic Tuesday. Well done!
6LI	Dominik	For using knowledge of WW2 to plan a newspaper report on 'The Blitz'.
6MS	Nelly	For writing a super diary entry about being evacuated during WW2. Well done!
6WL	Evelina	For continually producing a high standard of carefully considered 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	Olivia Nur	For being patient and understanding with others.
Middle	Joshua 2JB	For helping a child who fell to walk back to class.
Upper	Adam 4GS	For being a considerate and sympathetic member of the 4GS class family.



World Book Day Menu— Thursday 7th March

Join us for WORLD BOOK DAY

Cheshire Cat's Chicken Feast Pizza
Moody Margaret's Margherita Pizza
Scrumdiddlyumptious Spaghetti with
Cheese and Tomato Sauce

Served with

Cat in the hat Chips
Perfect Pete's Peas and Sweetcorn

For Dessert

Charlie's Chocolate Brownie
Elsa's Frozen Vanilla Ice Cream
Yertle Turtle's Yogurt Station

with toppings:

Honey, Fruits of The Forest, Oats, Sultana's & Fruit Pieces



Explore new worlds full of imagination







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Supporting your child's communication information and advice workshop

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Any enquiries please email: ealing@contact.org.uk

Ealing Speech and Language Therapy Over 5's Parent Workshops

Are you a **parent** of a child who is speaking at home but is not speaking in other setting? Would you like some advice on how you can support your child?

We are running a workshop on:

Supporting children who are speaking at home but not speaking at school



Tuesday 26th March 11am – 12.30pm





On this workshop you will learn:

- To understand why some children, speak less at school or nursery
- To understand ways to help children communicate more confidently
- ✓ To know where to get more information and support from

Our training is free and accessible **via zoom** and can be accessed from the comfort of your own home!

PARENTS: to book a **FREE** place please:

Email <u>wlm-tr.sltuniversalservices@nhs.net</u> with your name, the workshop title and the name of your child's school







