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A MESSAGE FROM MR MARIEY



As we come to the end of November...

We will think once again about our friends and relatives who have gone before us. Our children have been putting their intentions into our special Prayer Cross and they have been read out in assemblies.

Advent begins on Sunday as we focus on the new hope that Christmas will bring, especially in these times. Advent is a time for family and friends to prepare for the coming of Baby Jesus. It's a time that gives us hope in the darkest month of the year and the promise and hope that new life brings

This week has been another busy week. I was delighted to accompany Reception to Imagine That ,a science based activity centre in Liverpool. I would heartily recommend it for a trip.

The PTA have their Makers Market next weekend I hope you can make it.

The new playground is finished and is awaiting its final safety certificate. The children are so excited. Many thanks to our brilliant PTA. We are so lucky!

Have a wonderful weekend

Mr Marley

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

01/12/21	Y4 Retreat in school
02/12/21	Y4 Retreat in school
02/12/21	Upper KS2 Classes Mass
02/12/21	Y1 Vision Test
05/12/21	PTA Christmas Makers Markets
07/12/21	Y6 Safety Squad in School
17/12/21	Christmas Holidays at 1:30pm

Monday 6th December	Tuesday 7th December	Wednesday 8th December	Thursday 9th December	Friday 10th December
Nursery Nativity at 10:00am in the Nursery classroom	Nursery Nativity at 10:00am in the Nursery classroom	Reception Nativity at 9:30am in the school hall Year 1 Carol Concert at 2:30pm n the school hall	Reception Nativity at 9:30am n the school hall Year 1 Carol Concert at 2:30pm n the school hall	Christmas Jumper Day Year 2 Play at 9:30am n the school hall Year 2 Play at 2:00pm n the school hall
Monday 13th December	Tuesday 14h December	Wednesday 15th December	Thursday 16th December	Friday 17th December
	Key Stage 2 Carol Service in Church at 2pm	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Party Days		School finishes for Christmas at 1:30pm



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	Chocolare
Nursery	Myla and Scarlett
RKF	Hudson
RCL	Anastazja
YILO	Elisha
OOTIY	Samuel
YZSH	Avaya
Y2AL	Harrison
YZLW	Lily
Y3CS/0H	Phoebe
Y40s	Megan
Ү4НВ	Jersey
Y5LS	Noah
Y50M	Elijah
YHG	Alisha
Y60F	Ksenia

Readers of the Week



Nursery	Sofia
RKF	Raya- Mae
RCL	Panagiotis
YILD	Elliott
VITOO	Conor
Y2SH	Luca
Y2AL	Oscar
YZLW	Lleyton
Y3C5/0H	Sienna
Y40s	Leah
Ү4НВ	Alfie
Y5LS	Brooklyn
Y50M	Anais
YbHG	Liam
Y60F	Analiece

Handwriters of the week



Nursery	Evie
RKF	Bruke
RCL	Deanah
YILO	Bella
POTIY	Eva
Y2SH	Isaac
Y2AL	Tarandeep
YZLW	Lottie
Y3C5/0H	Seth
Y40s	Ava
Ү4нв	Рорру
Y5LS	Thomas
Y50M	Geoff
YbHG	Samantha
Y60F	Camille





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Mathematicians of the Week

The Week			
Nursery	Denis		
RKF	Isabelle		
RCL	Parker		
YILO	Charlie		
ספיבוץ	Sahichpreet		
YZSH	Joe		
Y2AL	Donaeo		
Y3LW	Hannah		
Y3CS/0H	Finley		
Y40s	Reggie		
Ү4Н В	Dexter		
Y5LS	Layla		
Y50M	Mia		
YbHG	Joshua		
Y60F	Oliver		

Sports Stars of the Week

Well done to our Year 6 Hockey
Team who competition this
week!
Although they did not win the

Although they did not win the overall tournament, they showed great passion, skill and sportsmanship!

Well done to Hugo, Alexis, Evie and Johnny!





House Points

81Ue 5166



Red 4665

Yellow 3733

> Green 6489

Totals So Far!

Blue 51,388 Green 55,293 Red 48, 972 Yellow 48,257

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Attendance

711 Chappiece			
Whole School	92.5%		
Nursery AM	82.5%		
Nursery Full Day	95%		
RKF	92%		
RCL	93.4%		
Y1LD	91.9%		
Y1J'OD	91.7%		
Y2AL	91.2%		
Y2SH	94.9%		
Y3LW	87.6%		
Y3CS/DH	92.5%		
Y4DS	99.1%		
Ү4НВ	94.1%		
Y5DM	90.8%		
Y5LS	92.7%		
Y6HG	95.8%		
Y6DF	87.8%		



Attendance Challenge!

If you are in school everyday this Half term then your name will 100% be entered into a draw for a very special prize!

Good Luck!

St Stephen's Attendance League



Position	Total Points	Position	Total Points	
1st: 2AL	15	5th: NurAM	7	
2nd: 1JO'D	13	6th:NurFD	6	
3rd: 28H	9	7th: RCL	5	
4th: RKF	8			
4th: 1LD	8			

St Stephen's Attendance **League KS2**

Position	Total Points	Position	Total Poin
1st: Y6DF	18	5th: Y5DM	3
2nd: Y3LW	12	5th: Y4HB	3
3rd: Y3CS/DS	11	6th: Y5L8	2
3rd: Y4D8	11		
4th: Y6HG	9		

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Religious Education

Sacramental Programme 2021-2022 Year 4 Children

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

As you may be aware, this is the year your child is to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Communion.

Father Wilson warmly invites you to a **parents** meeting regarding the Sacramental Programme on Wednesday 1st December at 7.30pm. This meeting will take place in Church. Due to Covid regulations in place at Church, face masks are to be worn unless exempt. We thank you in advance for this.

If you are unable to make the meeting, please contact Father Wilson directly either after Mass or via telephone: 0161 370 1505

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm Sunday: 10.30am Parish Priest: Father B. Wilson

Christmas Card Design Competition

The Chaplains at Salford Hospital will be delivering a Christmas card to every patient and need your help to design the front of the card. They are looking for a general Christmas theme suitable for all patients. All entries will be displayed in and around the Chaplaincy department and the winning entry will be printed on the card. If you would like to enter, please hand your entry to Mrs Gibson (Year 6) who will then forward these to the Chaplains at the hospital. The deadline for entries is: Friday 3rd December.

Prayer of the Week

This week in assemblies and class, the children have reflected upon the feast of Christ the King.

King Jesus come and reign over my life. Reign over my heart and my emotions, Reign over my mind, my thinking and my beliefs, Reign over my will and all my decisions, Reign over my family and all of my relationships, Reign over my work and my service for you, Reign over my money, my possessions and my time, King Jesus come and reign over me.

Our Fantastic Learning!

Nursery

This week we have had a lovely week of learning. We have been busy practising our Christmas Nativity all week. We are learning the story of the First Christmas. We have been looking who Mary and Joseph were, Angel Gabriel and the innkeepers and Shepherds. We have also been learning how special baby Jesus is. We cannot wait for you to see our Nativity.

We had a lovely forest school session this week where we looked for Harry the Hedgehog and his interesting facts. We then re-potted our broad beans that we had planted a few weeks ago. We learnt that they had grown roots and a shoot. We can't wait to see how they grow!

Reception

The highlight of our week was our amazing trip to Imagine That in Liverpool! It was so exciting to have a day out with school with all of our friends. The children had so much fun exploring and investigating. They made their own snow and slime! As always the children were a credit to their families and to our school. We would like to thank you for your continued support. This has allowed us to give the children a truly fantastic experience. Check out the school website for pictures from our trip!

Year 1

Highlights of our week in year 1.

- We imagined how it felt to meet Jesus, and talked about what we would say to him.
- A materials walk, exploring materials in the school grounds.
- Finding out all about giraffes and writing an information text.
- Sharpening up the fluency of our number bonds with maths games. Here's one you can do at home too.
 - https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button
- Applying our skills to solving problems.
- Making a map of our classroom.

We have begun to learn some songs for our end of term carol service. Your child has taken some home to learn. Please help them to practise

Year 2

Year 2 have had a very busy week! In English, we have been researching facts about bears and we have written non-chronological reports to present our findings. In Maths, we have been looking at different methods of dividing by 2, 5 and 10 and we have solved some problems involving this. In R.E, we have continued our learning about Baptism and we have been looking at different signs and symbols that are used during a Baptism. In Geography, we have been locating countries and cities on maps to help us understand where Manchester and Nairobi are and in Science, we have been classifying animals. As well as all this, we have been hard at work practising songs for our Nativity!

Question: Tell me an interesting fact about bears.

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Year 3

This week, in year 3, we have started our new narrative 'The Truth Pixie' by Matt Haig in English. This is a novel written completely through rhyme. We analysed the cover and blurb, made predictions and incorporated both compound and complex sentences in our written work. We also profiled the character of the Truth Pixie, identifying both internal and external features of her character. In Maths, we have been using arrays, repeated addition, number lines and other representations to investigate multiples of 3, both within 12 times 3 and beyond. We looked at the patterns in the products and made generalisations to help us identify further products. In Geography, we labelled both the cardinal and inter-cardinal compass points and applied our understanding to a mapping activity. We sequenced the events in the sacrament of Baptism and explained the reasons for the different parts of the ceremony in RE. We enjoyed sharing our tableaus in assembly on Tuesday and performed them perfectly.

Question - What do you notice about the digit sums of the multiples of 3? How can this help us to identify further products?

Year 4

It has been an exciting week for Year 4. On Tuesday, we got together with Year 3 in the hall and performed plays for one another. These plays were based on books we had chosen to look at for 'Diversity Week.' Year 4 DS performed a play based on the book 'Freddie the Fairy,' which is about seeing the world through the experiences of a deaf child. It was beautifully performed with some well-prepared props. 4HB performed a play based on 'Omar, the Accidental Trouble Magnet.' This story is about a boy and his family who suffer from racist abuse both at home and school.

On Thursday, Year 4 were excited to read the story, 'The Scarecrow's Hat' to our Nursery children. The story was about Nursery's own school gardening activites.

Question: What three tips were we given about speaking to a deaf child?

Year 5

We have had another busy week in year 5 this week. We have continued to work our way through the Room 13 novel in English and the children are very excited about what is to come in the book. In maths we have looked at different forms of subtraction. It is also testing week this week in school and all children have conducted a test in both maths and reading. In Geography we have used maps and atlas' to find cities in England and Italy as well as using some interactive tools to aid this learning. The children have worked extremely hard this week, so a big well done to them.

Year B

We've had a slightly different this week in Year 6 however, we have still all worked extremely hard. We have continued reading Wonder this week: we have used hashtags to summarise chapters and we have analysed Mr Browne's monthly precepts. In Maths, we been consolidating our knowledge of formal written methods of multiplication. Please keep practising on Times Table Rock Stars Year 6! To support with this.

We started our new Geography topic this week. In this topic we will be comparing Toulouse and Manchester. In our lesson, we identified countries on a European Map, named surrounded areas of water (seas and oceans) and located cities.

The children have been extremely interested and engaged in our RE lessons about Ordination. The children have explored what the Sacrament of Holy Orders is and what happens during an ordination.

We were unfortunately unable to have Safety Squad in school this week however, we are looking forward to our rearranged date in December.

Question: What was Mr Browne's September Precept? Explain it in your own words.



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THIS WEEK IN PICTURES

It's been another remarkable week! Here's some photographs to show some of the wonderful learning experiences...









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