

Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 8th November 2024

Learning together as part of God's family

Be kind and respectful

Remembrance

Every child in the school has created a red poppy which is displayed in the hall. This is a very visual reminder to everyone.



Year 6 will lead the school in an assembly and time of silence on Monday 11th November at 10:45am—all are welcome, regardless of the year group your child is in.



Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-Bullying Week will take place next week with the theme: Choose Respect.

We will be holding Odd Socks Day on Tuesday 12th November, with adults and children being encouraged to wear odd socks with their uniform to celebrate what makes us all unique and different. It is a reminder to be kind to each other and respect each other's individuality.

'Imagine a world where respect and kindness thrives — it's not just a dream, it's in the choices we make.'

Children are asked to bring in an unopened box of tissues on this day.



Bug Hotel—Can You Help?

We have been talking about Catholic Social Teaching at school and what we can do to make the world a better place. One of the principles of Catholic Social Teaching is 'Caring for God's Gifts'. To help us to fulfil this at school, we are going to be making a bug hotel which will form a safe habitat for different insects.

Do you have any branches, pine cones, seed heads, small logs, roof tiles etc.? If so, please send them in with your child and ask them to leave them on the left-hand counter top in the computer room.

Here are two pictures of bug hotels I have seen recently. I am sure our one will be a wonderful retreat for insects when it is completed.





Respect Responsibility Determination Positivity Teamwork

Diary Dates

Tuesday 12 th November	Odd Socks Day in support of Anti-bullying week	
Thursday 14 th November 8:40am	FROGS Coffee Morning (Hub) (parents welcome)	
Thursday 14 th November 8:55am	Y4 class assembly (parents welcome)	
Thursday 21 st November 8:55am	Y1 class assembly (parents welcome)	
Monday 25 th November	School closed for pupils Inset Day 3	
Thursday 28 th November 8:55am	Y3 class assembly (parents welcome)	
Monday 2 nd December	Advent day of reflection	
Wednesday 4 th December 9.15am	Y1/Y2 Nativity Performance (parents welcome)	
Tuesday 10 th December 8:40am	FROGS Coffee Morning (Hub) (parents welcome)	
Wednesday 11 th December 9.15am	Nursery & Reception Nativity (parents welcome)	
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas lunch N-Y6	
Wednesday 11 th December	Wear a Christmas accessory to school	
Thursday 12 th December 8:55am	Y5 class assembly (parents welcome)	
Tuesday 17 th December 2:30pm	KS2 carol service (in school) (parents welcome)	
Thursday 19 th December 1:15pm	School closes for Christmas break	

Parents' Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended parents' evening on Thursday. Make sure you book an appointment for this Tuesday if you have not done so already.

Headteacher and Kindness Awards

Well done to the following children who have worked hard, had great behaviour or have shown great kindness and thoughtfulness to others:

	Headteacher Award:	Kindness Award:
R:	Eliora, Lily-Kay,	Olivia
Y1:	Emeda, Gabriella,	Taliyah
Y2:	Annette, Mikel,	Joesiah
Y3:	Dennis, Gabriella,	Zofia
Y4:	Alde, Daniel,	Keziah-Rose
Y5:	Gregor, Joy,	Chisom
Y6:	Madison, Ranel,	Leonie



Fr Con's Reflection

This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday. It is always the 2nd Sunday of November. Primarily we remember the deceased of the 2 World Wars of the last century.

This Saturday, 9th November, is the 8th anniversary of the tram derailment close to Sandilands in 2016. Seven people lost their lives. There were 62 injured, 19 of whom sustained serious injury (e.g., amputations).

These are examples of the worst of human pain and suffering- either near or distant in both space and time.

We can only begin to comprehend such disaster(s) by resort to the suffering and death of God on the Cross- the Father, in the Person of His Only Begotten Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ

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Have a lovely weekend Mrs Day