

### Newsletter

This half term's virtues are:

Friday 15.11.19

Attentive

and

Discerning

Remembrance Sunday

This week we have been remembering the fallen soldiers who bravely gave their lives in wars so that we can enjoy the freedom we have today.

On Monday we held our two minute silence to focus and to remember the fallen. Throughout the week each class have been learning about Remembrance Sunday and why it is so important that we never forget the brave men and women who sacrificed so much.

Here are just a few examples of what the children have been doing during their week learning about Remembrance Day.



Early Years observing a 1 minute silence to remember the fallen soldiers.



We will remember them





Year 2 wore their poppies with pride on Monday to celebrate Remembrance Day.

"We wear our poppies to remember all of the soldiers that have died in wars so that we can be safe." (William Y2)





Congratulations to Mikel B in

Year 1,

and Khianna Dyer

in

Year 4.

we're all really proud of you.

This week's virtues awards were given to

Jacob N NN

Scarlett H Reception

Kya C Year 1

Leon McG Year 2

Brogan W Year 4

Frankie J Year 5

Alex B Year 6

For being attentive and discerning.

#### **Attendance**



Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 5 with 96.9%

Well done!

### **Ready to learn Award**



Congratulations, our most punctual class this week was Year 4.

### **Birthdays**



Happy birthday this week to: Ella A, Tiarnah H-P, Alishea I, Oscar W and Grace D.

### **Dates for your Diary**

#### **Tuesday 19th November**

9.00am - Parent/Carer Coffee Morning 11.00am - Nursery Workshop

#### Friday 22nd November

All day - Non-uniform (donate gifts for Christmas Fayre)

#### **Monday 2nd December**

All day - Early Years' visit to Hatton Adventure Park

#### Wednesday 4th December

1.30pm - 3.15pm - Jack & the Beanstalk Pantomime (whole school)

#### **Sunday 8th December**

11.30am - Mass of Commitment (parents/carers of confirmation children)

#### **Monday 16th December**

All day - Year 1 visit to Drayton Manor

#### **Thursday 19th December**

All day - Year 2 visit to Birmingham Old Rep Theatre

#### Friday 20th December

2.00pm - Break up for Christmas holiday

#### **Monday 6th January**

All day - Inset day (school closed to children)

#### **Tuesday 7th January**

8.55am - Children return to school

#### Friday 14th February

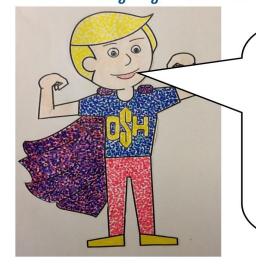
2.00pm - Break up for half term

#### **Monday 24th February**

8.55am - children return to school

# Online Safety - tip of the week!

Online sagety hero says...



Always respect others online by thinking before you send. Will it upset someone or is it sharing personal information?

#showrespectonline

#thinkbecoreyoushare





## **Mass of Commitment**

We will be holding a Mass of Commitment on Sunday 8th December for the parents/carers of confirmation children. Mass will start at 11.30am

We have taken part in the National Anti-bullying Week with the theme 'Change Starts With Us'. Our School Council discussed bullying and signed a charter for action to say that bullying is not tolerated in our school.

In assembly we learned about how it is important to think about our actions so we can change any negative behaviour and prevent bullying from happening. This has been followed up in lessons throughout the week.

CHANGE STARTS WITH

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

Our KiVA anti-bullying team are available for anyone who is concerned about bullying and KiVA lessons take place each term in KS2 classes. In these lessons our children learn to not be a bystander and to tell an adult if they see something wrong happening.

## **Year 2 - Woodshack Visit**

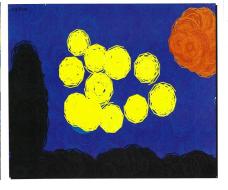


On Wednesday our Liturgy Leaders visited the Wood Shack in Sutton Coldfield to help build our new crucifixes.

They will visit again next Wednesday to complete the crucifixes for them to be brought to school and proudly displayed.

## **Excellent Work**





This week's excellent work comes from Ava-Rose B in Nursery who created her own interpretation of 'Starry Night' by Vincent Van Gogh all by herself! Well done Ava-Rose.

# **MAC Consultation Summary**

The consultation period for the proposed formation of Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Multi Academy Company has ended and a summary document of responses and questions from all stakeholders in all thirteen school has been produced. If you would like to read the summary, it is now on our school website on the 'Policies and Documents' page. If you do not have access to this, please request a paper copy from our school office.



#### **Indoor football:**

On Tuesday we had both a boys and girls team represent the school in an indoor football competition at NSSC. Both teams showed fantastic attitudes and sportsmanship. There were lots of successes, with the boys winning 2 out of their 3 matches.

#### **Netball matches:**

On Wednesday the netball team travelled to Coleshill Leisure Centre to compete in a netball competition. It was great to see so many children representing the school in a sports fixture for the first time. Although the team didn't win, they displayed a positive attitude throughout and they really enjoyed themselves.

#### **Indoor rowing:**

On Thursday a boys and girls rowing team competed in an indoor rowing competition at Fordbridge. The teams took part in an individual competition where they had to row as far as they could in 90 seconds before working together in a team relay. All the children show great commitment, determinations and teamwork. The girls team came 3rd in the competition and the boys came 6th and also received a team award for fair play. Well done.

We are really lucky at SJB to have such an extensive extra-curricular sports programme. It is great to see so many children participating in extra-curricular sport before school, lunchtimes and after school. We will publish our extra-curricular sports timetable in next week's newsletter.

Thank you to all the staff who work tirelessly in organising, running and supporting all of these activities and well done to all the children who participate.

### **Sports Star of the Week**

This week's Sports Star of the Week is Logan B in Year 4 for improved effort and behaviour in PE .



Our fabulous tweets continue!!! Have a look at some of our most recent tweets! Please don't forget to join our tweeting community by tweeting us @SJBsolihull



St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull · 17h
Year 1 have had lots of fun working with Jigsaw Jack this week. They have reflected on what good learning looks like and decided on some rewards and sanctions to put in place in our classroom to promote good behaviour and



















#### **Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

All-powerful God, nothing is greater than your love, so may we trust in you whatever difficulties and challenges we face.

In this Sunday's gospel, Jesus warns us that life will be difficult and the world will face wars and disasters but that we mustn't lose hope. We must trust in God who will guide us and save us.

Jesus was with his disciples in the temple. He told them that the temple would one day be destroyed and that there would be wars, earthquakes, and people hungry for food. However, he told the disciples not to be afraid. He promised that he would be with them always and that they wouldn't be harmed if they put their trust in him.



Jesus is with us always, even in the hardest times. Often he comes to us in the people who help us.

Next time you hear about an earthquake, drought or particularly at the moment a flood, on the news what will you do to help the people affected? How will you help them to know that they haven't been forgotten and that Jesus is always with them?

Jesus, help us to put our faith and trust in you at all times. May we not be afraid but instead believe that you will always keep us safe.

Amen.

Have a lovely weekend.

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