



St. John the Baptist
Catholic Primary School

We will prepare the way by loving, living and learning with the Lord



"Here is the light you will reveal to the nations"

Luke 2: 32

Newsletter

This half term's virtues are:

Friday 24.01.20

Compassionate

and

Loving



Warwickshire Wildlife Trust

We have been joined this week by members from the Warwickshire Wildlife Trust who delivered assemblies and workshops teaching the children about pollution and the impact it has on wildlife.

Reception class learnt about rivers and oceans being polluted with rubbish. They travelled through tunnels with and without rubbish in them to experience how difficult it is for wildlife to survive in these conditions. They also enjoyed sequencing the life cycle of a frog.



Year 1 enjoyed working with The Warwickshire Wildlife Trust today and learning all about the effects of pollution on our local environment.

The children played games and developed their understanding of how pollution affects animals and how we can reduce this impact.



Children found the assembly very engaging and asked lots of questions.



Year 4 learnt about how much clean water is available to them.

STARS OF THE WEEK!



Congratulations to

Logan M

in

Year 2, Amelia E in Year 3

and

Conal S in Year 4.

We're all really proud of you.

This week's virtues awards were given to

Ashton B	NN
Jasmine McN-J	Reception
Joshua-Jay P	Year 1
William N	Year 2
Elisha I	Year 3
Grace P	Year 4
Kayleigh G	Year 5
Joshua S	Year 6

For being compassionate and loving.

Attendance



Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 1 with 98.3%

Well done!

Ready to learn Award



Congratulations, our most punctual class this week was Nursery.



Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to: Annaleigh H, Daniel F and Evelyn H.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 29th January

7.00pm - Confirmation

Friday 14th February

2.00pm - Break up for half term

Monday 24th February

8.55am - Children return to school

Friday 3rd April

2.00pm - Break up for Easter Holiday

Monday 20th April

8.55am - Children return to school

Friday 8th May

All day - May Bank Holiday (school closed)

Friday 22nd May

2.00pm - Break up for Half Term

Monday 1st June

All day - Inset Day (school closed to children)

Tuesday 2nd June

8.55am - Children return to school

Online Safety - tip of the week!

Online safety hero says...



Know what apps and social media sites your child uses.

NSPCC say working as a 'TEAM' can help you keep your children safe.

*#staysafe
#NSPCC #TEAM*



Happy 40th Birthday



On Thursday Mrs Dolphin celebrated her 40th birthday! Children and staff sang 'happy birthday' to Mrs Dolphin and she was presented with lots of wonderful gifts, and lots and lots of birthday wishes!

MEET SOLIHULL AND BIRMINGHAM HEALTH CCG (Clinical Commissioning Group)

DATE: Thursday 6th February 2020 TIME: Breakfast 9.30 am - official meeting will start at 11.15 am with CCG VENUE: Sheldon Hall pub, Gressel Lane, Birmingham B33 9US

North Solihull Additional Needs Parent Support Group are proud to announce that we will be holding an event where Solihull and Birmingham CCG (Clinical Commissioning Groups) will be present to talk to families and parent/carers.

Julie Hackett (Solihull Council) Joanne Carney (Birmingham and Solihull CCG), Nichola Jones (Birmingham Council), and their colleagues will be talking to parents/carers about health, mental health and how the CCGs should be working with each other, schools etc. regardless whether your child is in a Birmingham or Solihull school or with a Birmingham or Solihull health care provider.

In addition to parents being given the opportunity to talk about the cross-border difficulties with services such as Occupational Therapy, physiotherapy etc. you will have an opportunity to get your questions answered.

This event has been organised due to the merger of Birmingham and Solihull CCGs (Clinical Commissioning Groups) . which took place in April 2018, and to the demand from parents/carers requesting the opportunity to hear first-hand how this affects them.

We are delighted to announce that Birmingham Parent Carer Forum will be joining us at this event, as issues affect Birmingham families, as well as those in Solihull.

This is an open event for everyone who accesses Solihull or Birmingham health providers.

Contact details :-

Follow us on Facebook for all our upcoming events on: northsolihullsupport

Our twitter account is: @SENDinSolihull

For further information on this event please email us on;

northsolihulladditionalneedsgroup@outlook.com

Follow BPCF on www.birminghampcf.org



SEND 0-25 Children and Young People's Service
Specialist Inclusion Support Service SISS

SEN Information Sharing Coffee Morning

Families of children and young people from 0-25 years
with additional needs are welcome to join us at
Sharmans Cross School, Sharmans Cross Rd Solihull, B91
1HP

Monday 10th February 2020 9.30am -11.30am

Opportunity to chat to groups who can offer support pre or
post diagnosis. The following groups will be there:

Solihull Parent Carer Forum

Safe Space Support Group

SASSI

North Solihull Additional Needs Group

Autism West Midlands

SOLAR

SoLO

SENDIAS

Solihull Action Through Advocacy

START

Educational Psychology

Speech and Language

Children's Community Learning Disability Nursing Team

Teachers and ISPs from the Autism Team

Please email to express an interest in attending
Siobhan Farrelly- siobhan.farrelly@solihull.gov.uk

SJB Sport

Football

This week we had a football match again Kinton Green Primary School. The Boys were playing away from home so it gave us time to discuss tactics on the minibus ride.

After a tight start SJB got ahead with a long range effort that bounced over the keeper.

1-0 at half time.

During the 2nd half Kinton were applying a lot of pressure to get the equaliser. However, SJB kept a solid defence and the match ended with a nice 1-0 win.

It was all smiles and cheers on the minibus ride back to school. Well done boys!



Gymnastics

10 children from Year 2 represented the school in a gymnastics competition. The children got to take part in a range of floor exercises and vaulting activities. Lots of fun was had by all and it was a great experience for the children. Well done everyone!



General:

Another busy and successful week on the sporting front at SJB. Lots of children have taken part in the extra curricular clubs which include: dance, yoga, gymnastics, football, netball and multi skills. PE lessons have seen the children develop their gymnastics skills. Also some classes have taken part in netball and multi skills.

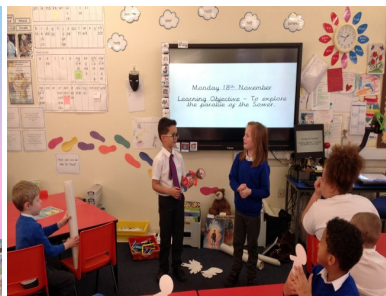
A special mention goes to Jamie, Year 5, who has really started to develop a love and passion for his sport and is doing really well.

Alishea, Pierce, Camila, Year 6, sports captains.

Sports Star of the Week



This week's Sports Star of the Week is Dewa H in Year 5 for good work rate and team work in gymnastics.



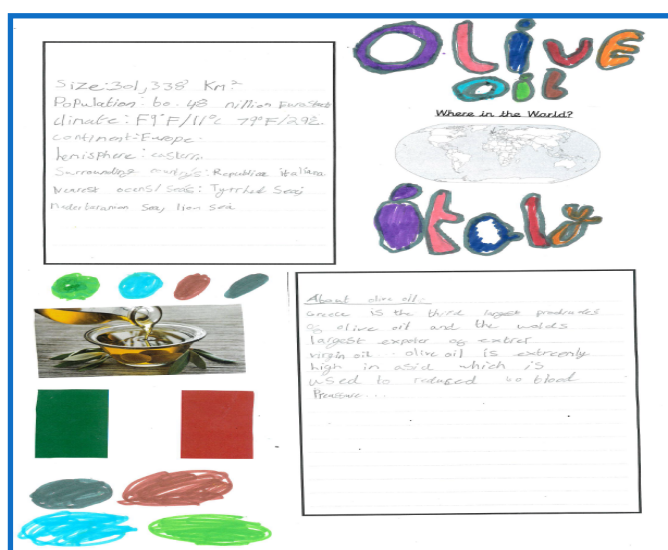
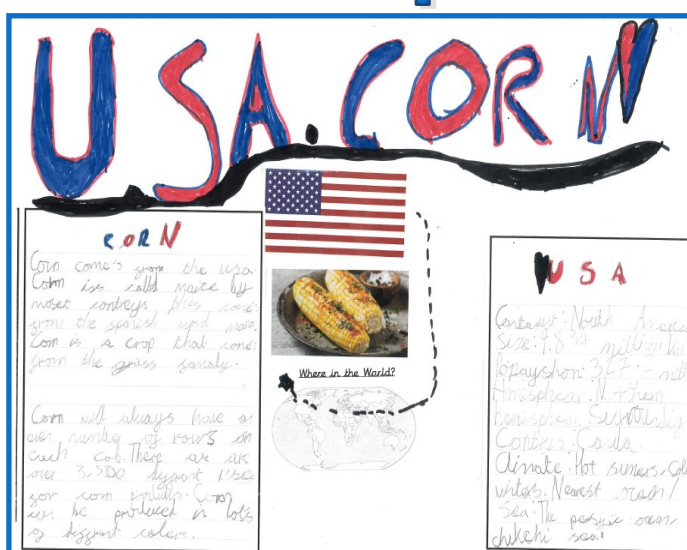
Year 2 children were visited by Julie and the cuddly caped crusader Safety Seymour on Monday, they taught Year 2 all about carbon monoxide.

It was extremely interesting and Safety Seymour will be accompanying the children home to help

them check that their own homes are safe. Thank you Julie and Safety Seymour.



Examples of Excellent Work



This week's excellent work comes from Year 4 children. Who wrote non-fiction text about food.

Confirmation

Please pray for our Year Six children who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday evening. This special Mass will be led by Canon David-Evans and will take place at Mother of God and Guardian Angels Church. The children are extremely well prepared both spiritually and in their knowledge and understanding of this important sacrament and of their reasons for choosing their particular confirmation saint. We look forward to a very special evening.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.



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



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

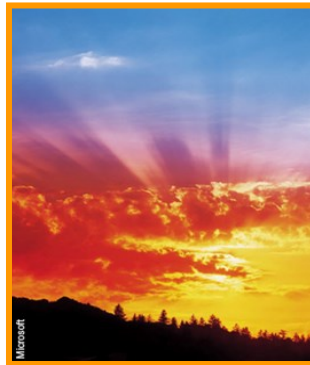
God of light, shine in our hearts so that we can bring joy and hope to other people, especially those who are frightened, sick, lonely or hungry.

In this Sunday's gospel, Jesus heard that John had been put in prison. In response, he went away to Galilee and went to live in Capernaum, a town by Lake Galilee, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali. This was done to make what the prophet Isaiah had said come true:

"Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,
on the road to the sea, on the other side of the Jordan,
Galilee, land of the Gentiles!
The people who live in darkness will see a great light.
On those who live in the dark land of death
the light will shine."

From that time Jesus began to preach his message: "Turn away from your sins, because the Kingdom of heaven is near."

This story talks about people who lived in darkness seeing a great light. One way of thinking about this is that when we are sad or lonely, everything feels dark and gloomy. This is the dark. But then when someone does something nice for us, like including us in their game or making us laugh, everything seems brighter again. This is the light. This is the light that Jesus brings into the world.



We all live in one world, with the same sun shining down on us. We are all God's children and belong to one family. Jesus asks us to look after each other. If we do this, we can help the light of Jesus to shine in the world.

God of hope, share your light with all your children, as we try to help others who are in need.

Amen.

Have a lovely weekend

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