



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

Luke 2: 32

This half term's virtues are:

Friday 14.01.22

*Curious*

and

*Active*

## St John's Year of Reading



To support our 'Year of Reading', we have added lots of new information on our website, to help you to support your child's reading at home. There are recommended book lists, and information about the books that we use for reading in school. We have plans to add lots more in the future so keep looking at the reading pages on our website. To access them, click on 'Curriculum' and select either 'Early Reading' or 'Reading'.

### Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, children/ parents who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if you test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, you can return your child to school immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day.

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

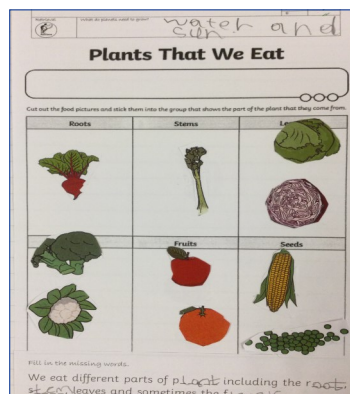
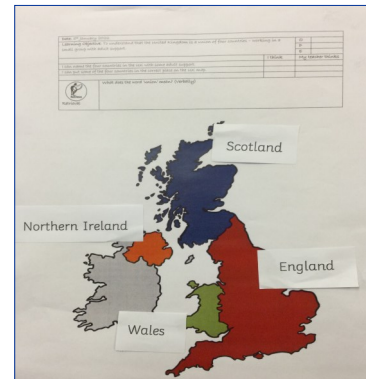


# Class Activities - KS1

This week, Year 1 have been learning about Scotland as part of our Geography topic. They enjoyed listening to the music from bagpipes and finding out some things that represent Scotland, such as Hadrian's wall, Edinburgh Castle, and the Loch Ness Monster!

In Science, the children completed their topic on materials and magnetism by exploring different materials to find which were magnetic and which were not. Starting our new topic, we have been exploring what parts of plants can we eat.

Well done Year 1 for working hard this week!



"The magnetic numbers"

Item	Material?	Magnetic?
Pring	X	✓
ettel	X	✓
aln	X	✓
opper	✓	X
alsteel	✓	X

It has been a busy start to the Spring Term in Year 2. We have started new topics including; The Human Body in science, The British Isles in geography, and dance in PE.

In computing we have been learning how to edit photographs and in English we have been reading and exploring; different patterns, rhythm and rhyme in poetry.

In music we have practiced repeating beats and playing instruments in time with the music.



## Dates for your Diary

**Wednesday 19th January 2022**

Height & Weight Checks - Reception & Y6 children

**Friday 18th February 2022**

2.00pm - Break up for February Half term

**Tuesday 1st March 2022**

8.55am - Children return to school

**Friday 8th April 2022**

2.00pm - Break up for Easter Holiday

**Monday 25th April**

8.55am - Children return to school

### Inset Days

**Monday 28th February 2022**

All day - Inset Day

**Monday 6th June 2022**

All day - Inset Day

*Online safety hero says...*



*Remember there are age restrictions  
on Social Media sites for a  
reason.*

*Do you know what Social Media  
sites your child is using?*

*Make sure you know!*

*#socialmedia*

*#keepyourchildsaf*



## Sports Star of the Week



This week's Sports Star of the Week is Billy D in Year 6 for great effort in team games.



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## STARS OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations to

Larcon-Jon B-H

in Year 1

and Conal S

in Year 6

We're all really proud of you

This week's virtues awards were given to

Maura M

Nursery

Evangeline F

Reception

Jasmine Mc-J

Year 2

James H

Year 3

Dylan R

Year 5

Luke H

Year 6

For being Curious and Active.

### Attendance



Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 4 with 97.5% *Well done!*

### Ready to learn Award



Congratulations, our most punctual class this week was Nursery and Year 1.

### Birthdays



Happy birthday this week to: Aidan H, Angel L, Tiana N-S and Conal S.



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## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

*God of wonder, we know all things are possible for you. Help us to work together to change the world, so that it becomes a fairer place for all to live.*

In this Sunday's gospel we hear how Jesus did something very special at a wedding in Cana, changing water into wine. Let's think about the changes we can make in our lives and in our world.

**Gospel:** John 2:1-11

*Two days later there was a wedding in the town of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine had given out, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no wine left."*

*"You must not tell me what to do," Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come."*

*Jesus' mother then told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."*

*The Jews have rules about ritual washing, and for this purpose six stone water jars were there, each one large enough to hold about a hundred litres. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill these jars with water." They filled them to the brim, and then he told them, "Now draw some water out and take it to the man in charge of the feast." They took him the water, which now had turned into wine, and he tasted it. He did not know where this wine had come from (but, of course, the servants who had drawn out the water knew); so he called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone else serves the best wine first, and after the guests have had plenty to drink, he serves the ordinary wine. But you have kept the best wine until now!"*

Jesus performed this first miracle in Cana in Galilee; there he revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

When we don't know how something happens, and we know it can only have been done by God, we call it a miracle. Turning the water into wine is the first miracle that Jesus performs.

The miracle shows us how special and important Jesus is. It shows us that he is the Son of God and that he can do anything.

While we cannot work miracles, we can make real changes that make a difference to our own lives and the lives of others. Through seeing Jesus' miracle, the disciples believed in him. Through our actions we hope that others will see that we believe in Jesus too.



*God of life, may we be inspired by the miracles that your Son Jesus performed, to do our best to make a real difference to others around the world. Amen.*

Have a lovely weekend.

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