

Newsletter



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

Luke 2:32

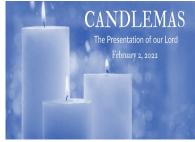
This half term's virtues are:

Friday 04.02.22

Curíous

and

Active



Candlemas: The Feast of Light and Hope

On Wednesday we celebrated Candlemas, The Feast of Light and Hope. Each class held collective worship, reflecting on the presentation of Jesus to the Temple and thanking God for sending Jesus to be our light in the world.







Our Mission Week - Home Tasks Reminder

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, this term's theme for our Mission Week is 'Families', which starts next week.. We are asking children in Early Years and Key Stage One to draw a picture of their family and for children in Key Stage Two to take a creative photograph of some family time.

This might be a family meal; a family walk in the park or visiting other family members (but it must definitely represent time away from gaming and technology!)

There will be prizes for the best drawings and most creative photographs.

Please be aware that entries will be displayed on our outdoor trellis at the front of school, so do check that you're happy for images to be used in this way.





Class Activities - KS1

Science: Year 1 have been exploring their senses. This week they have been using their ears to listen. The children stayed quiet with their eyes closed listening to the sounds around them in and outdoors. Learning that sound waves help sound to travel through the air.

English: The children have being working on writing a non-chronological report about saving the planet, finding some information and facts to put in their introduction.

To celebrate Chinese New Year this week, Year 1 enjoyed tasting a range of Chinese food.

Music: The children used musical instruments and their voices to record the song 'In The Groove'.

For our social action display board, the children have been researching 'hunger' around the world. They have produced some lovely prayers and information for others to read and learn.

On Wednesday, Year 1 celebrated Candlemas. Lighting candles to remind us that Jesus is the light of the world and to follow the example of Jesus by living our lives as lights shining in the world.

Year 2 have celebrated Candlemas this week. We shared how we can guide each other to Christ's light, especially when we feel we have lost our way.

We have worked hard on our portraits of a refugee. Our art work will be displayed in the hall and the classroom.

In PE, we have been creating actions that last for 4 counts and teaching them to other children in our group. Strictly... here we come!









Dates for your Diary

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

Monday 2nd May 2022

All day - May Day Bank Holiday (school closed)

Friday 27th May

2.00pm - Break up for May half term

Tuesday 7th June 2022

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 sajety hero says...



Remember to think about the consent you give others when signing up to new websites and apps. Ask permission before you share something that belongs to someone else.

#togethergorabetterinternet

#consent





STARS OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations to

Noah-Lee B

in Reception

and Elisha I

in Year 5

We're all really proud of you

This week's virtues awards were given to

Rio-George M Nursery

Ivan W Reception

Mia D Year 1

Liam O'K Year 2

Malala H Year 3

Halina B Year 4

Savni D Year 5

Tyler T Year 6

For being Curious and Active.



Attendance

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 1 with 93.5% Well done!





Congratulations, our most punctual class this week was Reception, Years 1, 2, 3 & 5.



Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to: Layla-Mae B and Lexi-Boe N.



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

God of love, give us the strength and courage to follow your Son Jesus in all that we say and do. May our words and actions spread your message of love for all people.

In this Sunday's gospel, we hear something special that happened when Jesus went fishing, and how the fishermen left everything to follow him.

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

One day Jesus was standing on the shore of Lake Gennesaret while the people pushed their way up to him to listen to the word of God. He saw two boats pulled up on the beach; the fishermen had left them and were washing the nets. Jesus got into one of the boats—it belonged to Simon—and asked him to push off a little from the shore. Jesus sat in the boat and taught the crowd.

When he finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Push the boat out further to the deep water, and you and your partners let down your nets for a catch."

"Master," Simon answered, "we worked hard all night long and caught nothing. But if you say so, I will let down the nets." They let them down and caught such a large number of fish that the nets were about to break. So they motioned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. They came and filled both boats so full of fish that the boats were about to sink. When Simon Peter saw what had happened, he fell on his knees before Jesus and said, "Go away from me, Lord! I am a sinful man!"

He and the others with him were all amazed at the large number of fish they had caught. The same was true of Simon's partners, James and John, the sons of Zebedee. Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will be catching people."

They pulled the boats up on the beach, left everything, and followed Jesus.

The good news of Christ is to be shared with all we meet. If we are to be 'fishers of men', we need to think in terms of growing the kingdom of God. Taking the love of Christ to others is what being a fisher of men is.

The fishermen of the disciples most likely thought they would never leave the sea. In reality, Andrew travelled to all countries surrounding the Black Sea. Thomas and Bartholomew went as far as India. Peter even travelled to Rome. We can be just like them when we expand our horizons beyond those in our close circles.

Jesus came to share the way we could have eternal life. He came to die for all of us. If we repent and allow the Holy Spirit in our lives, then we are fishers of men. It is essential that we share Jesus with all we meet and everywhere we go.

God calls us wherever we are. Simon and Andrew were fishing. You might be at church, at work or school, or taking a walk through the woods. Jesus wants us to help him bring others into the kingdom. We don't have to be high powered or wealthy. We just need to love Jesus and obey like Simon and Andrew did as they threw down their nets and followed Him.



How will you show others that you follow Jesus this week?

Loving God, may we try our best to follow your Son and to serve you faithfully each day, in what we do and how we treat others, especially our brothers and sisters who are poor. Amen.

Have a lovely weekend.

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Mr I. Gallagher Headteacher



