



"These have been written in order that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah,
the Son of God"
John 20:31

This half term's virtues are:

Friday 29.04.22

Grateful

and

Generous

We Are All Saints: Children's Charter Launch

We are proud to announce the launch of our 'We Are All Saints...Children's Charter' to mark the one-year celebration of the formation of Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Multi Academy Company. The charter outlines the offer of all schools within the MAC and sits at the heart of our mission to provide high quality Catholic education for all our pupils.

In the most basic sense, a saint is a "holy one," someone who is set apart for God's special purposes. As a result, every follower of Jesus Christ can be a saint. By following the examples of the saints, we will guide, lead and teach our children to emulate their virtuous behaviours and to follow in their footsteps.

Our charter is arranged into the following principles:

- All Saints have a love for others,
- All Saints use their gifts wisely,
- All Saints are servants of Christ,
- All Saints are risk takers,
- All Saints have a love for the world around them.

The five sections set out a blueprint for the overall offer of experiences that our children and young people can expect to receive as they undertake their journey through each stage of both their primary and secondary school lives, within Our Lady and All Saints Catholic MAC. It seeks to equip them to become active Christian citizens in their communities and across the world. We want every child and young person, following the example of Christ in his likeness and in his Gospel teachings, to leave school fully confident that, not only are they academically fulfilled but they have also experienced a wide range of activities enriching their hearts, minds and souls.

The principles of our charter will be explored and unpicked at focus points throughout the liturgical year but we'll also be looking for and celebrating examples of saintly behaviours each and every day.



All parents/ carers have been emailed the 'We Are All Saints...' Children's Charter today and it can also be located on our website by clicking on 'Our Faith'

We look forward to embedding the Children's Charter offer for all of our pupils at St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School.

"The saints were not superheroes, nor were they perfect. When they recognised God's love, they followed it and served others." Pope Francis



Class Activities - KS1

Year 1

Our new topic in Geography is learning about the seven continents. The children have been exploring maps, Google Earth, atlas books and a globe. Labelling maps and putting together a large floor puzzle of the seven continents. They have also learned a song to help them remember each continent.

Computing - Moving robots.
Learning how to give a robot a command.

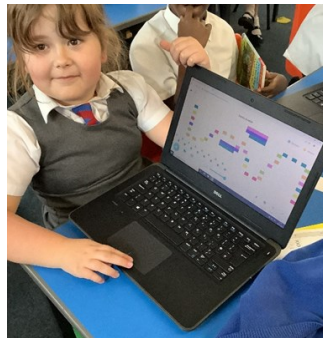


Year 2

We have had a super busy week in Year 2. In computing, we have been creating rhythms based on the movement of different animals using Chrome Music Lab. We also used the song maker function to create rhythms for our own songs. We linked this to our music lesson by creating clapping rhythms for the rest of the class to repeat back.

We have started two new units in PE; Striking and Fielding with Coach Shannon and Net and Wall Games with Mrs Turner and Miss Breslin.

In History, we have continued with our topic on the Tudors and have this week learned about the English Reformation and the Dissolution of Monasteries. Henry VIII certainly left his mark!



Dates for your Diary

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

Saturday 11th June 2022

11.00am - Holy Communion at St John's Church

Wednesday 29th June 2022

7.00pm - Confirmation at Mother of God & Guardian Angels Church

Inset Day

Monday 6th June 2022

All day - Inset Day

Online safety hero says...



*Don't always believe
what you read on the
internet. Check three
websites to see if is true.*

#fakenews

#checkbeforeyoushare



Sports Star of the Week



This week's Sports Star of the Week is Tia S in Year 2 for working well in a team.



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Our Pope's Prayer Intentions

April: Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Preparing Your Child for Starting Reception - Zoom Sessions

Virtual Zoom Session 'PREPARING YOUR CHILD FOR STARTING RECEPTION'

We are excited to host some one off Zoom sessions to help with preparing you and your child for starting school...

Sessions

~~Wed 27th April~~
Wed 25th May
Wed 22nd June
Wed 20th July
Wed 17th Aug
Starts at 9:30AM

Call
0121 726- 6755/56

Text
07507332563
for more information
or to book a place

(for Solihull families only)



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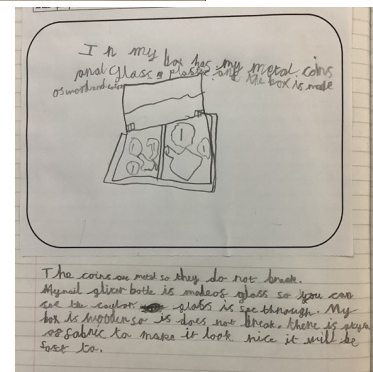
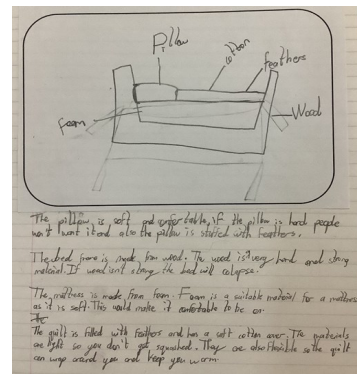
Please see information in relation to Zoom sessions offered by Solihull Council, these sessions will help prepare you and your child for starting Reception.

Science Superstars

This week in science, Year 2 started their new topic 'Materials and Matter'. We looked at objects around the classroom and discussed the purpose of these objects. We then looked at the properties of the materials used to make the objects.

We learned that materials have specific uses based on their properties. A teapot made out of chocolate would be no use would it?!

We then got to design our own objects. We had to think carefully about the materials we wanted to use and why. We wrote an explanation for this under our design.



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Excellent Work

1) Should, could, might.

2) They decorate altars, they burn candles and they have a joyful, happy celebration.

3) her's His.

The idea was hers.

The mistake was mine.

The responsibility was ours.

The decision was theirs.

The world record is theirs.

His performance was the best.

Dear diary,

Today has been the strangest day. Whilst celebrating Dia de los Muertos (the day of the dead), I was pulled underground to the most unfamiliar and unexpected place ever to exist. In this wild experience, I gladly and weirdly reconnected with my loving mother who emerged and departed from our dear family.

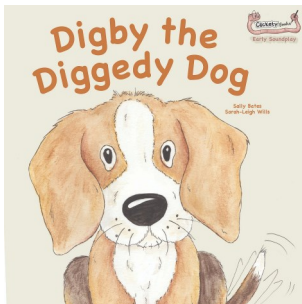
It began like this. As I cried away at the sight of my mother's grave, a vivid glimmer blossomed from the ground, reaching for my hand. Perplexed and curious, I welcomed the glimmer and reached my palm out for it. Suddenly, I transported into the underground darkness. My heart was thudding and I was trembling in fear. All of a sudden lights flickered and a female skeleton took me by the hand. We sprang along through the happy music, the twinkling lights and the wonderful decorations. I became amazed. Confusion crossed among me. I wondered what would happen next.

Skipping along, I reached the end of this mysterious, crazy adventure. To my amazement, there stood right in front of me was my beautiful mother. We exchanged a hug and I was at peace with her passing as I knew she was in a good place. I returned home hoping I would get to visit her next year and hoped this was the end of my sadness for her.

This week's excellent work comes from Amelia in Year 5.

Mr G's Recommended Reads

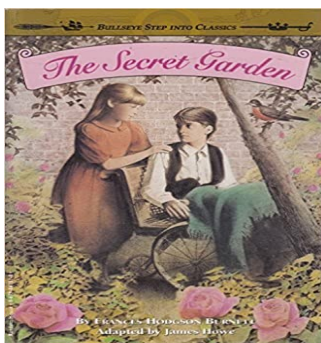
For our younger readers...



'Digby the Diggerty Dog'

Digby goes out into the garden to play. He digs a big hole and has adventures playing tag with two little frogs

For our older readers...



'The Secret Garden' by Francis Hodgson Burnett

Ten-year-old Mary Lennox is forced to live in a gloomy old house where she soon becomes tired of the cold, empty corridors and an uncle who never wants to see her. Then one day she finds the key to a secret garden. A absolute classic and a captivating story.



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STARS OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations to

Evelyn H

in Year 2

and

Toby B

in Year 3

We're all really proud of you

This week's virtues awards were given to

Maura M

Lizzy-Shay B-H

Larcon-Jon B-H

Owen H

Leo R

Nursery

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

For being Grateful and Generous.

Attendance



Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 1 with 98.6% *Well done!*

Ready to learn Award



Congratulations, our most punctual class this week was Nursery and Year 2.



Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to: Jasmine N, Eloise M-S, Ritchie R, Olivia A, Tommy K and Isla-Mae M.



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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 of Easter

Christ Jesus, you returned to give your disciples courage and strengthen their faith. Make us brave and help us to believe in you, so that we may care for all our brothers and sisters around the world.

In this Sunday's gospel, we hear about how Jesus appeared to the disciples while they were fishing, helped them to catch more fish and ate with them on the beach afterwards.

Gospel: John 21:1-19

After this, Jesus appeared once more to his disciples at Lake Tiberias. This is how it happened. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael (the one from Cana in Galilee), the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples of Jesus were all together. Simon Peter said to the others, "I am going fishing."

"We will come with you," they told him. So they went out in a boat, but all that night they did not catch a thing. As the sun was rising, Jesus stood at the water's edge, but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Then he asked them, "Young men, haven't you caught anything?"

"Not a thing," they answered. He said to them, "Throw your net out on the right side of the boat, and you will catch some." So they threw the net out and could not pull it back in, because they had caught so many fish.

The disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Peter heard that it was the Lord, he jumped into the water. The other disciples came to shore in the boat, pulling the net full of fish. They were not very far from land, about a hundred metres away. When they stepped ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there with fish on it and some bread. Then Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught."

Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net ashore full of big fish, 153 in all; even though there were so many, still the net did not tear. Jesus said to them, "Come and eat." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. So Jesus went over, took the bread, and gave it to them; he did the same with the fish.

This, then, was the third time Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from death.

After they had eaten, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?"

"Yes, Lord," he answered, "you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Take care of my lambs." A second time Jesus said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

"Yes, Lord," he answered, "you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Take care of my sheep." A third time Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Peter became sad because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" and so he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you!"

Jesus said to him, "Take care of my sheep. I am telling you the truth: when you were young, you used to get ready and go anywhere you wanted to; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands and someone else will bind you and take you where you don't want to go." (In saying this, Jesus was indicating the way in which Peter would die and bring glory to God.) Then Jesus said to him, "Follow me!"



Creator God, you made a world of plenty with enough food for everyone. As we break bread together, fill us with your love and lead us to share whatever we are able. Amen.

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend.

I. Gallagher

Mr I. Gallagher
Headteacher