

St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

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

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:

Grateful

Friday 06.05.22

and

Generous



Good Luck to Year 2 and Year 6!

Good luck to our children in Year 2 and Year 6 as they begin their SATs tests. They have worked very hard all year to prepare, and we can't ask any more of them than that. Please support them by making every possible effort to ensure they attend school every day. Year 6 will have a breakfast club provided from Monday - Thursday next week; this begins at **8.15am**. If your child doesn't want to attend the club, can we please ask that you ensure they arrive at school by **8.30am at the latest.** This gives them a chance to calm and settle, as well as provide an opportunity for a last bit of revision before the tests begin at around 9.15am each day.

We have again included the Year 6 SATs timetable for your convenience

Day/ Date/	Test
Monday 9 May	Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Papers 1&2
Tuesday 10 May	English Reading Paper
Wednesday 11 May	Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic Paper
	Maths Paper 2: Reasoning Paper
Thursday 12 May	Maths Paper 3: Reasoning Paper



Class Activities - KS1



Year 3 have been learning about instructions in Literacy. We have learnt about the features and aspects of what is included in an instruction piece of text.

We decided to link this with some baking and made some yummy flapjacks! We then used our knowledge to create a set of instructions explaining how we made them.

Hopefully we can do something like this again soon as baking is great!!



Mass of Commitment

Our Mass of Commitment for children who are making their First Holy Communion or Confirmation, this year, will take place this Sunday at 12.00pm.

We look forward to seeing you there.



Next Week's Class Mass

Our next class Mass will be on Friday 13 May at 9.30am. Everyone is welcome to join us. This Mass will be led by children in Year 2 and Year Five.



Our Pope's Prayer Intentions

May: Faith-Filled Young People

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Year 6 Parental Questionnaire

Earlier today we emailed parents/carers of Year 6 children a questionnaire about transition to secondary school. Please can we kindly request that you complete and return this questionnaire by <u>Friday 20th May</u>. If you have not received the questionnaire please notify the school office.



Dates for your Diary

Sunday 8th May

12.00pm - Mass of Commitment (For children taking their First Holy Communion or Confirmation this year)

Friday 13th May

9.30am - Class Mass led by Year 2 & Year 5 children (all welcome)

Friday 27th May

2.00pm - Break up for May half term

Tuesday 7th June 2022

8.55am - Children return to school

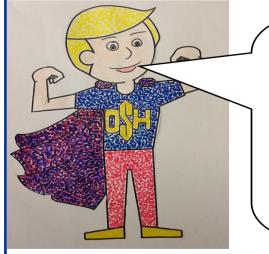
Saturday 11th June 2022

11.00am - Holy Communion at St John's Church

Inset Day Monday 6th June 2022

All day - Inset Day





Make sure your personal profiles are secure by using a secure password.

Try to use three words joined together and use diggerent passwords for each diggerent account you have.

#sageprofile #securepassword

Sports Star of the Week

This week's Sports Star of the Week is Luke H in Year 6 for great batting techniques in rounders.





Here is **the LINK to the May/June issue** of Families Birmingham magazine for sharing with the parents of your pupils

https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/ fambhammayjune22digital?fr=sOGMxNzQ5MzY3ODE

Science Superstars

Year 3 have started a new topic this half term 'The Human Body' and we have been learning about the inside of our body including muscles and the skeleton.

This week we went outside and drew round each other with chalk, we then labelled the outline with key bones on our skeleton, it was lots of fun! We can't wait to explore more about the workings of our body.





Red Ted

Look at our fantastic readers! These children have earned their Red Teds. Well done Year 1.



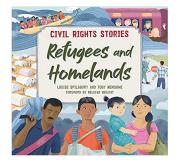


Mr G's Recommended Reads

This week I'm focusing on books linked to the themes of war and refugees. These are words that our children might be hearing a lot at the moment. Both texts are enjoyable but will also help them to gain an understanding of such serious world issues.

For our younger readers... (though still challenging)

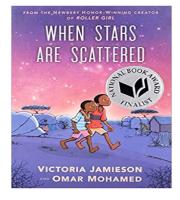
'Refugees and Homelands' by Louise Spilsbury and Toby Newsome



A chronological selection of key civil rights moments and movements regarding refugees is explained in a child-friendly way. This book examines some of the reasons why people flee their homelands and the ways they are treated when they arrive in new lands. It looks at historical examples, such as the Huguenots and World War refugees, along with modern crises, such as Syria, refugee camps in Africa and those fleeing violence in South and Central America.

For our older readers...

'When the Stars are Scattered' by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed



Heartbreak and hope exist together in this remarkable graphic novel about growing up in a refugee camp, as told by a Somali refugee. Omar and his younger brother, Hassan, have spent most of their lives in Dadaab, a refugee camp in Kenya. Life is hard there: never enough food, achingly dull, and without access to the medical care Omar knows his nonverbal brother needs. So when Omar has the opportunity to go to school, he knows it might be a chance to change their future . . .



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations to Maigan B in Year 2 and Ella A in Year 5 We're all really proud of you This week's virtues awards were given to

Rio-Geroge M	Nursery
Kingsley C	Reception
Anna K-D	Year 1
Tia S	Year 2
Freddie-Jay L	Year 3
William N	Year 4
Savni D	Year 5

For being Grateful and Generous.

Attendance

hopeful

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attentive

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faith-filled

curious

grateful

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Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 3 with 96.9% Well done!

Ready to learn Award



Congratulations, our most punctual class this week was Nursery, Year 1 & Year 3.

Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to: Kingsley C, Ruby B, Lilly-Mae M, Destiny S and De'On Morris.



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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

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St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull - 14h

Year 2 enjoyed preparing for their collective worship by selecting symbols that they could link to generosity. They also chose the music this week and were keen to explain their choices. #CollectiveWorship #RE

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St John the Baptist @SJBsolihul - May 4 ... During #Collect/wWorship in Year 3, we have been focusing on our school virtue of being enerous. We thought to a time when someone has been generous to us with their actions and acknowledged the wonderful and kild people we have in our lives, we are so grateful @CutAgendAllSt



St John the Baptist @SiBsolihull · May 4 Yesterday was the birthday of our class (soon to be) Saint, Blessed Carlo Acutis. He was an amazing boy who loved playing on his games console. In fact, he die dony 16 years as 20 #Happy@intadyCarlo **B**



St John the Baptist (SJBsolihuli - Apr 29 This week, two children led our <u>#collectiveworship</u> all about Sain (George. Children thought about what kind of England we would want and what we should stand up for, just as Saint George did. @OurLadyandAllS1 5



St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull - Apr 28 (B) St John the sapists (#5)850/mJII - Apr 28 Year 2 took part in some #flad/Play on the "Road to Emmaus". They acted It out and created their own footprints to leave around school to spread the message, "He is Reisen" "H's trunt" "Jesus is in our hearts!". #CatholicLife @OurLadyandAIISI @BCPP_ 1



St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull - Apr 28 Year 4 #photography - So many examples of fantastic work to share! Ľ







Safety @natonlinesafety - May 4 world uses the Internet – so how can we ever be lonely support of next weak's //MentalHealth/wareness/Weak, 100 thirds of the e? 🔇 💻 in s e compiled v



St John the Baptist @SJBsolihuli - May 4 Today, Year 4 learnt about 'The Walk to Emmaus'. After sharing the story together, children had to see what they could remember from all of our learning with a game. We all wanted to be the first to travel along the road with Jesus! #RE #WalkwithJesus 5





St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull · Apr 28 Č, Verar 2 did their first session of "MetandWall lessons today. They were fantastic! They really worked together to hone their racket skills. Catching it in a cone was tricky! @GetSet4PE #SJBPE @OurLadyandAlIS1



St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull - Apr 28 **B** Our Year 2 children led #Collect/veWorship learning about our Patron saint, #StGeorge. They created shields to show why they were proud of our country and our way of life. #CatholicLife #RE @OurLadvandAlIS1 country and BCPP +4





St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull - Apr 29 Year 6 celebrated England's heritage and traditions in their Collective Worship planned and led by 2 Year 6 children #RE #SJBRE + A 5



St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull - Apr 28 **B** Year 4 took their #Computing lesson skills outside to their photography. They took plotures and edited them to create some stunning pictures. #SJBWeAreArtists #SJBPhotography #CrossCurricular #CatholicLife Jography #0





Fourth Sunday of Easter

God of all, help us to listen to your voice and to care for each other as you care for all people.

In this Sunday's gospel, Jesus talks about how important it is to listen to him. And how he knows us and cares about each and every one of us, no matter who we are.

Gospel: John 10:27-30

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never die. No one can snatch them away from me. What my Father has given me is greater than everything, and no one can snatch them away from the Father's care. The Father and I are one."

Jesus is a shepherd of people. He shows us the way to live our lives. He looks after us and cares for us, just as a shepherd looks after their sheep.

Jesus also says that his sheep listen to his voice, in other words, we hear the word of God through Jesus' teachings; through readings in the Bible and through our prayers.

Jesus also says that he knows his sheep, and that they will never be lost. How reassuring to know that he cares for each and every one of us. No matter who we are or from where we come.



How does it make you feel to know that Jesus loves and cares for all of us, no matter who or where we are? What do you think this means for how we should treat each other? This week, let's try to listen to what Jesus is saying to us, and share the love that he has for us all with others.

Lord Jesus, help us to listen to and follow you and to care for each other, so that all members of our global family may live together in peace. Amen.



Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Multi Academy Company Strong in Faith Have a lovely weekend.

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Mr I. Gallagher Headteacher

