



"The word became a human being and, full of grace and truth, lived among us"
John 1:14

This half term's virtues are:

Friday 11.11.22

Faith-Filled

and

Hopeful

Rights and Responsibilities (linking to Mary and Joseph having to travel to Bethlehem and being displaced and International Migrants day 18.12)

All God's people have the right to food, work, clothes, a home, school and medical care. These 'rights' are things that every person on earth needs in order to live a full life. But many people do not have them. Jesus wants people who enjoy these rights to help their sisters and brothers obtain their rights. It is not enough to feel badly for others. Jesus says it is our responsibility to see that everyone receives his or her rights.

Focus Hymns – 'Were you there?' and 'When I Needed a Neighbour'



Remembrance Day

Today we observed the two-minute silence at 11 am, in tribute to the sacrifices made by the armed forces and their families to defend freedom.

Children also created a beautiful poppy display and offered prayers to honour the fallen.

Lest We Forget

Sunday is a chance for us all to take time to reflect on the sacrifices made by so many who fought so bravely.



Class Activities - KS1

Year 1 discovered a crash landing in the playground, after investigating the crash site the children discovered an alien called Beegu. Beegu sometimes talks in rhymes and gets her words mixed up. To help Beegu, the children worked on rhyming words to understand her communication. As well as, what it would be like to see and hear God's creations and all the other wonderful things on Earth for the first time.

Science: The children have been learning about Mary Anning, a famous fossil collector.

DT: Mechanisms – Creating moving pictures, discussing how we can make things move in different directions.

RE: Discussing family celebrations, sharing photos and memories. Godly Play: Retelling the story of Jesus lost in the Temple.



We have had a great week in Year 2. We had a visit from Sister Eleanor from CAFOD who did some work with us. We enjoyed Godly Play focussing on The Healing of the Paralyzed Man and our prayer leaders did a super job leading our Remembrance prayer service.

In PE, we have been honing our ball skills. Our text in English, The Journey Home, has been opening our eyes to the effects of climate change and links with our Science unit, Living Things in their Environment.



Our Pope's Prayer Intentions November

Children Who Suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.



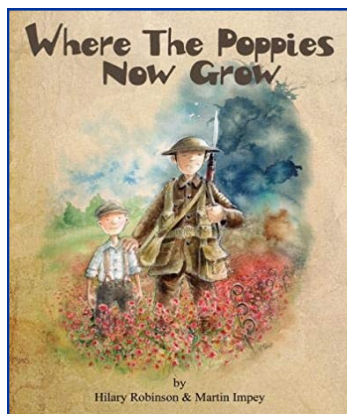
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Mr G's Recommended Reads

This week, I've taken remembrance as my theme:

For our younger readers....

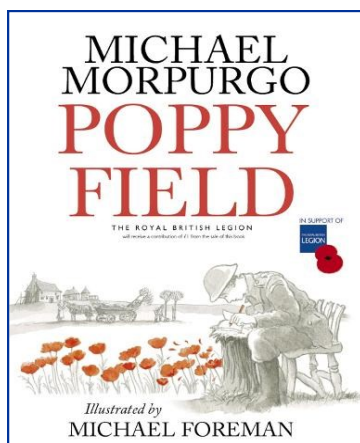
'Where the Poppies Now Grow' by Hilary Robinson and Martin Impey



Set in a bygone age, the carefree childhood of Ben and his best friend Ray becomes a distant memory when they join the army to serve their country. But, in the midst of battle can their friendship survive?

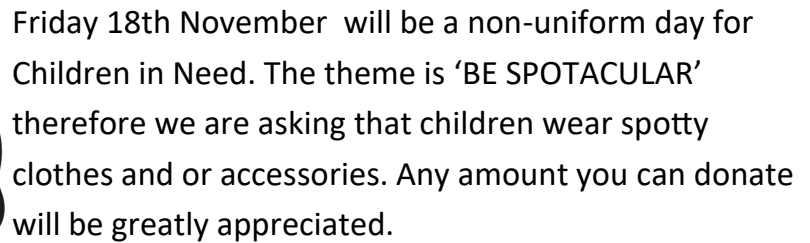
For our older readers...

'Poppy Field' by Michael Morpurgo



In Flanders' fields, young Martens knows his family's story, for it is as precious as the faded poem hanging in their home. From a poor girl comforting a grieving soldier, to an unexpected meeting of strangers, to a father's tragic death many decades after treaties were signed, war has shaped Martens's family in profound ways - it is their history as much as any nation's.





For next Friday's Children in Need non-uniform day, children who have PE will need to bring in their PE kit ready to change into. For all other non-uniform days, please ensure clothes are suitable for PE.

School will close for the Christmas holiday at 2pm on Friday 16th December.

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Solihull Parenting Team
Support, advice and signposting for all parents and carers in Solihull

SPRING TERM 2023
Open to all Solihull parents and carers

BEING A PARENT GROUPS
Led by trained parent volunteers, the groups provide you with the tools to help manage challenging behaviour, improve communication, and build a positive relationship with your child.
The Being a Parent groups will be delivered both face-to-face and virtually, starting with a welcome session & then running weekly for a further 8 sessions:

FACE TO FACE:	
Tuesday 9.30am to 11.30am The Bridge, Shirley (B90 3AG) Target age: 9 years plus Dates: 17/1/23 – 21/3/23	Thursday 9.15am to 11.15am In The Woods Nursery (B37 5UH) Target age: 0-9 years Dates: 19/1/23 – 23/3/23
VIRTUAL via Microsoft Teams:	
Tuesday 6pm to 7.30pm Target age: 9 years plus Dates: 17/1/23 – 21/3/23	Thursday 6pm to 7.30pm Target age: 0-9 years Dates: 19/1/23 – 23/3/23

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD'S BEHAVIOUR
Led by Solihull professionals, the group aims to help you to manage challenging behaviour and improve communication, as well as building and understanding your relationship with your child. The group target age is 4-11 years, delivered face-to-face for 10 sessions:

Wednesday 9.30am – 11.30am Solihull College Woodlands Campus (B36 0NF) 11/1/23 – 22/3/23	Thursday 9.30am – 11.30am Solihull College Blossomfield Campus (B91 1SB) 12/1/23 – 23/3/23
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FIVE TO THRIVE
For parents with children aged up to 4 years, the FIVE TO THRIVE building blocks explore practical things you can do to enhance your child's brain development, increase confidence in parenting and meet local parents.

TUESDAY 10am – 12pm The Bridge, Shirley (B90 3AG) 10/1/23 – 14/2/23 7/3/23 – 11/4/23	WEDNESDAY 10am – 12pm Three Trees Community Centre (B37 7TP) 11/1/23 – 15/2/23 8/3/23 – 12/4/23
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Book your place now, or find out more by contacting Solihull Parenting Team at: bsmhft.parenting@nhs.net or book via the Eventbrite QR code below:



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Dates for your Diary

Friday 18th November

All day - Non-uniform Day (Children in Need)

Wednesday 23rd November

AM - School Photographs (family photographs arrive at 8.40am)

Thursday 24th November

6.30pm - Year 6 Confirmation

Friday 25th November

All day - Non-uniform Day (donate bottles of pop for Christmas Fayre)

Friday 2nd December

All day - Non-uniform Day (donate chocolate for Christmas Fayre)

Friday 9th December

All day - Non-uniform Day (donate cakes for Christmas Fayre)

3.15pm - Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 14th December

School Christmas Dinner

Friday 16th December

2.00pm - Break up for Christmas holiday

Wednesday 4th January

8.55am - Children return to school

Inset days 2022 - 2023

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Monday 27th February 2023

Monday 5th June 2023

National Online Safety

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

HOW TO COMBAT ONLINE BULLYING

Defined as "ongoing hurtful behaviour towards someone online", cyberbullying makes its victims feel upset, uncomfortable and unsafe. In the digital world, it has numerous forms - such as hurtful comments on a person's posts or profiles, deliberately leaving them out of group chats, sharing embarrassing images or videos of someone, or spreading gossip about them. Cyberbullying can severely impact a young person's mental health. As part of Anti-Bullying Week, we've provided a list of tips to help trusted adults know what to look for and how to respond to it.

- 1. GET CONNECTED**
Regular online games together with your child or spending time online as a family can help them feel more confident and secure. It's not only fun, but it can also help you understand their online world and what they're doing there.
- 2. KEEP TALKING**
Regular chats with young people about their online life can help you understand what they're doing online. It's not just about what they're doing, but also about how they're feeling. If you notice any signs of distress, talk to them about it.
- 3. STAY VIGILANT**
Check in with your child while they're online. If you notice any signs of distress, talk to them about it. If you notice any signs of distress, talk to them about it.
- 4. MAKE YOURSELF AVAILABLE**
If you're not at home, let your child know where you are. If you're not at home, let your child know where you are. If you're not at home, let your child know where you are.
- 5. BE PREPARED TO LISTEN**
When conversations about online safety start, they can be difficult. But if you're prepared to listen, you can help your child feel more confident and secure.
- 6. EMPOWER YOUR CHILD**
Helping your child to feel confident and secure online is key. If you notice any signs of distress, talk to them about it. If you notice any signs of distress, talk to them about it.
- 7. REPORT BULLIES ONLINE**
Cyberbullying often takes place through social media. If you notice any signs of distress, talk to them about it. If you notice any signs of distress, talk to them about it.
- 8. ENCOURAGE EMPATHY**
Helping your child to feel confident and secure online is key. If you notice any signs of distress, talk to them about it. If you notice any signs of distress, talk to them about it.
- 9. SEEK EXPERT ADVICE**
If you're not at home, let your child know where you are. If you're not at home, let your child know where you are. If you're not at home, let your child know where you are.
- 10. INVOLVE THE AUTHORITIES**
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Meet Our Expert
Dr. Sarah-Jane Smith is a leading online safety consultant, author and cyber safety expert for schools. She has written numerous books and articles on online safety and is a regular speaker at conferences and events.

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STARS OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations to

Demi-Leigh S

in

Year 2

and Alfie W in

Year 4

We're all really proud of you

This week's virtues awards were given to

Evie-May L

Nursery

Koby J

Reception

Shay M-W

Year 1

Jenson-Jay N

Year 2

Owen H

Year 3

Tiani S

Year 4

Angel L

Year 5

Jessica K

Year 6

For being Faith-Filled and Hopeful

Attendance



Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 6 with 98.6%. *Well done!*

Ready to learn Award



Congratulations, our most punctual classes this week were Year 2.

Birthdays



Happy birthday this week to: Mikel B, Antoini K, Tiani S, Kloe G, Maura M and Ella A.



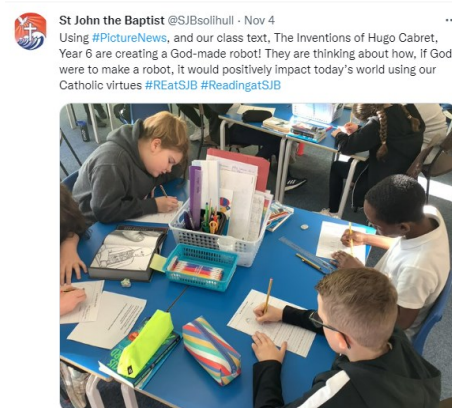
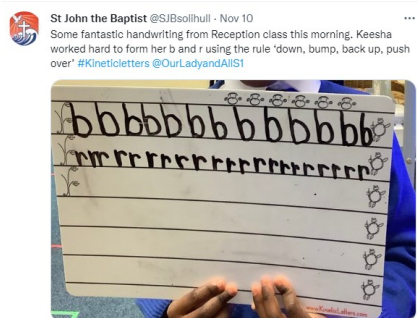
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Our fabulous tweets continue!!! Have a look at some of our most recent tweets! Please don't forget to join our tweeting community by tweeting us @SJBsolihull



Who to follow



Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

All-powerful God, nothing is greater than your love, so may we trust in you whatever difficulties and challenges we face.

In this Sunday's gospel, Jesus warns us that life will be difficult. The world will face wars and disasters, but we mustn't lose hope. We must trust in God who will guide us and save us.

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

Some of the disciples were talking about the Temple, how beautiful it looked with its fine stones and the gifts offered to God. Jesus said, "All this you see—the time will come when not a single stone here will be left in its place; everyone will be thrown down."

"Teacher," they asked, "when will this be? And what will happen in order to show that the time has come for it to take place?"

Jesus said, "Be on guard; don't be deceived. Many men, claiming to speak for me, will come and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time has come!' But don't follow them. Don't be afraid when you hear of wars and revolutions; such things must happen first, but they do not mean that the end is near."

He went on to say, "Countries will fight each other; kingdoms will attack one another. There will be terrible earthquakes, famines, and plagues everywhere; there will be strange and terrifying things coming from the sky. Before all these things take place, however, you will be arrested and persecuted; you will be handed over to be tried in synagogues and be put in prison; you will be brought before kings and rulers for my sake. This will be your chance to tell the Good News. Make up your minds beforehand not to worry about how you will defend yourselves, because I will give you such words and wisdom that none of your enemies will be able to refute or contradict what you say. You will be handed over by your parents, your brothers, your relatives, and your friends; and some of you will be put to death. Everyone will hate you because of me. But not a single hair from your heads will be lost. Stand firm, and you will save yourselves."

Sadly, as a planet, we have not all listened to Jesus' warning in this Sunday's Gospel, nor have we learned lessons about the horror of war from previous conflicts. We are living through a time of war again and we continue to pray for the people of Ukraine. We remember also, those who have fought and those who sacrificed their lives to give us freedom in our country today. Let us hope, that one day, we can live in a world where every country has the same freedom as us.



Jesus, help us to put our faith and trust in you at all times. May we not be afraid but instead believe that you will always keep us safe. Amen.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.