

## Weekly Newsletter for week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018

**Statement to Live by for next week: I understand that rights match responsibilities.**

### Attendance

Congratulations to Year 6 who won the Attendance Trophy this week with 98.8% attendance.

Our winning team for house points this week was Red Team. Congratulations to our winners!

### Trips and Visits

This week has been busy with visitors and trips. When I have been visiting classes it is clear that these activities have been inspiring the children across school in their learning.

Year Group	Percentage Attendance
Year R	92.7
Year 1	91.8
Year 2	95.7
Year 3	96.7
Year 4	95.5
Year 5	90.3
Year 6	98.8

### Visit from Hillary Robinson

On Wednesday we had a visit from a famous author - Hillary Robinson. She spent time with the children in Years 2, 5 and 6 talking about being an author and about WWI, which is the theme many of her books are based on. She said that she was very impressed by all of our children in school, the research they had done and the questions that they asked. I certainly learnt some new facts about WWI after talking to Year 2 following their work in the morning. It was great to see how enthusiastic and inspired the children were by the visit.



### Harvest Festival Mass

We would like to thank Fr. Michael Doody from St Augustine's parish for celebrating mass with us on Tuesday and for talking to our Year 5 and 6 children in school about vocational work. The children certainly had lots of questions to ask Fr. Doody and they learnt a lot about his vocation to the priesthood.

Thank you to all parents and families for their generous donations for the Harvest Festival. Mr Battle the from the St. Vincent De Paul Society delivered all of your donations to the St Vincent De Paul Centre shortly after Mass. The Centre was extremely grateful for all of the donations and have already started making meals for those in need with your contributions.

### Sporting news

Well done to our football team who played a match at home against Holy Family last night. The team narrowly missed out on a win and the final score was 2 – 1 to Holy Family. We were very proud of all of the children who played brilliantly throughout the match.

We are working towards the Sports Mark in school and at lunchtimes all the children have been really enjoying taking part in the Daily Mile. Already within the last two weeks the children have started to improve their fitness levels.

To help us with our Sports Mark award Mrs Waide and Miss Riggs, who are leading P.E. in school, would like to ask support from all parents to ensure that when children sign up to sporting clubs that they attend every week unless there is an exceptional reason for not attending. Part of the Sports Mark is around participation levels in clubs and therefore we do need all children to commit to attending the training sessions each week to support us with this.

### **D:Side**

This week we have had a visit from D:Side to teach us all about e-safety and how to keep ourselves safe online. Our children in Key Stage 1 learnt all about what is and isn't safe to share online and children in Key Stage 2 learnt about using emails safely, social networking and safe profiling and responsible and safe use of the internet.



### **Year 3 and Year 4 trip to Eureka**

The children in Years 3 and 4 all enjoyed their class trip to Eureka on Thursday. They all came back full of facts and ideas for their science lessons. I am sure that they will be putting all of their new found knowledge into action over the next few weeks.

### **Our New Science Club**

Tonight will be the first week of our new Mad Science Club after school. There will be lots of opportunities for the children to carry out a variety of scientific experiments and broaden their knowledge and skills. There are still some places available and if you would like any further information, please see Mrs Miralles for further details.

### **Bikeability**

A reminder that Year 6 Bikeability will be taking place next week for all of our pupils in Year 6. During the week the children will all be learning about how to keep safe when cycling outside. Please do ensure that you have read the information letter that your child has brought home.

### **Volunteers**

If there are any parents, carers, grandparents or relatives who are able to offer some time to help us in school with hearing readers or helping children in class we would be very grateful. If you feel that you may have a spare morning or afternoon or even just an hour, we would really like to hear from you.

Miss F Clark  
Head Teacher

#### **Dates for your diary**

22.10.18 – Bikeability Week for Year 6

23.10.18 – 3:30pm New Reception Parents Tour

26.10.18 – End of Half Term 1