

Weekly Newsletter for week beginning 19th November 2018

Statement to live by for next week:

I can work, rest and pray each day

Attendance and House Team Winners

Congratulations to Year 2 who won the attendance trophy this week with 99% attendance.

Our house team with the highest points so far and the winners for this week are the members of Green Team.

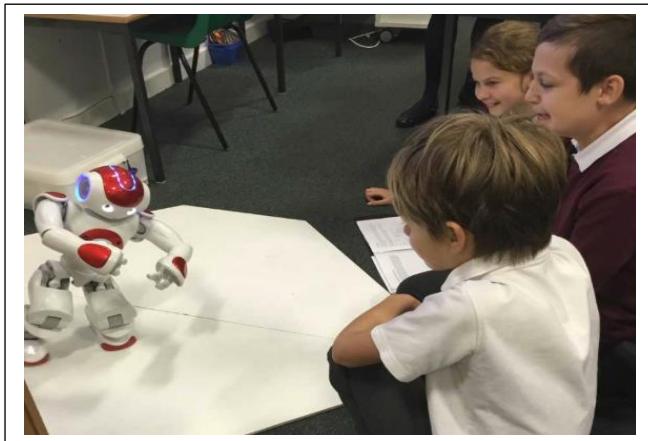
Christmas Fair

Thank you to all of our families who supported the Christmas Fair. It was lovely to see so many of the children coming to enjoy the activities and stalls. We raised a total of £825 for the school.

Year Group	Percentage Attendance
Year R	79.1
Year 1	95.5
Year 2	99
Year 3	96.3
Year 4	96
Year 5	97
Year 6	96.3

A visit from Robi the Robot

This week we have had a very special visitor in school – Robi the Robot. Robi has been able to help the children across school to develop a variety of skills from creating and writing stories for him to perform to practising computing skills, such as programming.



Preparing for Advent

Next week the children will be decorating their class Advent Wreaths in school in preparation for Advent. The children will then be taking their class wreaths to our whole school Mass on Monday 3rd December at 9:15am. Please do join us for this Mass at Christ the King church.

Following the positive feedback from last year, there will be an opportunity for families to take part in the travelling crib project. A letter will be going out shortly to ask for the names of children who would like to take the travelling crib home over the period of Advent.

Holiday dates

Following the meeting with parents about attendance last half term, a consultation letter has gone out to with proposed holiday dates for next academic year. We are asking all parents to select their preferred option for holiday dates and return their responses by Friday 7th December to the main school office. The consultation letter will be available on our school website for parents to download as well.

Following the responses from parents we will then be releasing our holiday dates for 2019-2020 in order that parents can book holidays in advance and avoid booking holidays during term time.

Mini Vinnies

The Mini Vinnies have asked me to place on the Newsletter an appeal for their next charity event over the period of Advent.

The Mini Vinnies have decided that this year they would like to do a reverse Advent Calendar.

What is a reverse advent calendar?

A reverse Advent Calendar is where you pick up one item a day during Advent to donate to the foodbank and put it in a box.



Collecting a box to donate to the Foodbank is a great way to teach our children that Advent and Christmas is a time for giving and not just receiving. Children can start bringing in any items of food from Monday 3rd December. All of the food will be donated to the St Vincent De Paul Centre at the end of the half term to support the homeless and families in need over the Christmas period.

Year R and KS1 production

A letter will be going out to parents shortly about tickets for the Year R Nativity and the KS1 production. Please complete the reply slip at the bottom of the letter and return it to school to reserve your tickets.

School Uniform and Sports Kits

The teachers have noticed that there are a number of children across school who do not have the correct clothing for P.E. Please could you ensure that your child has a pair of trainers and jogging bottoms and a jumper for P.E. as well as their shorts and tee-shirt. In addition to this I have noticed that a few of the girls are coming to school with shoes that have a heel. I would like to remind all parents that as per the school uniform policy they should be wearing flat black shoes for school. Thank you in anticipation of your support with this.

Sporting Events

This week our football team went to Crawshaw Academy to play in a tournament against other schools in the local area. The team performed brilliantly over four games, winning two games 1 – 0, drawing another game 0 – 0 and losing just one game 0 – 1.

We also had another group of pupils from Year 3 and Year 5 who took part in an athletics games tournament yesterday. The children all completed the activities really well!



Dates for your diary

- 03.12.18 – Whole School Advent Mass at church
- 05.12.18 – 9:15am Tour for New Reception Parents
- 11.12.18 – 2:00pm Year R Nativity performance
- 12.12.18 – 9:30am Year R Nativity performance
- 12.12.18 – 1:30pm – KS1 Christmas Production
- 13.12.18 – 9:30am – KS1 Christmas Production
- 18.12.18 – Whole School Mass
- 21.12.18 – Charity fundraiser Christmas Jumper Day
- 21.12.18 – End of Autumn Term

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