

Weekly Newsletter for week beginning 2nd March 2020
Virtues focus for next week: I share what I have with others

Attendance and House Team Winners

Congratulations to Year 3 who won the attendance trophy this week with 97.1%.

This week Green Team has taken the House Points Trophy. Well done Green Team!

World Maths Day and World Book Day

What a busy week we have had, celebrating both World Maths Day on Wednesday and World Book Day yesterday.

| Year Group | Percentage Attendance |
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| Year R | 95.2% |
| Year 1 | 93.3% |
| Year 2 | 95.7% |
| Year 3 | 97.1% |
| Year 4 | 95.0% |
| Year 5 | 94.9% |
| Year 6 | 96.7% |

The children have all shown great excitement and enthusiasm and it has been lovely to hear them talking about their love of Maths and of Reading across school.

In addition to our everyday exciting Maths lessons, the children completed additional hands on practical Maths activities and all took on Mrs Waide's challenge to learn a "Supermovers" maths song with dance moves. The children performed these to each other on Thursday afternoon and I was very impressed!



It was also wonderful to see so many children taking part in the World Book Day activities from dressing up, to entering our World Book Day competition writing about their favourite book character, to our book swap. As is the case every year, my favourite part of World Book Day is seeing the children sharing their books with each other. It is clear that there is a real love of reading across our school.



I would like to thank all of the staff for their hard work in creating additional exciting activities and learning opportunities this week to continue to foster the children's excitement in learning about Maths and Reading.

Reception and High School Places

Year 6 pupils will have received their offers for High School Places this week. Please do let us know if you have not received any information or you need any advice about your child's high school offer.

Applications for Reception places in September are in the process of being ranked and processed by schools and Leeds Education. Parents and Carers will be sent out offers for places by Leeds City Council on the 16th April from 9:00am.

Lenten Fundraiser

As you will know from last week's Newsletter, during Lent the Mini Vinnies will be launching some fundraising events to raise money for our chosen charity "The Little Sisters of the Poor", which is based in Headingley.

We were fortunate to be visited by Sr. Christina and Sr. Teresa on Tuesday this week, who came to talk to us all about their work and to have a tour of our school. They were very impressed with the children and have thanked us all in advance for supporting them in our Lenten Appeal this year.



Radio Aire Cash for Kids

You will have received a letter this week about the Radio Aire Cash for Kids Appeal that we have asked parents to support us with.

We are one of the 6 schools that have been selected for the 2020 Cash for Kids Schools Challenge. The challenge is for schools to raise as much money through fundraising as they can up until Friday 20th March. The winning team receives an additional £5000 for their pupils on top of the money that they have also raised for school. Can you do some fundraising on our behalf? Perhaps you work for a company that would be happy to support the school with a dress down day, a cake sale or another event to raise some money. What can you do to help?

All the money that is raised will be used for **your children** in school. The money will be used to boost our funds to buy more books to help the children with their learning in history, geography and science, and artefacts and materials for hands on learning in these subjects as well.



Visit our fundraising page and ask friends and families to do the same.

<https://www.cashforkidsgive.co.uk/campaign/cash-for-kids-school-challenge-2020/fundraisers/christ-the-king-catholic-primary-school/>

Year 3 Class Assembly

Year 3 will be sharing their learning with the rest of the school on Thursday morning next week at 9:15am, in their class assembly. Parents and Carers are as always very much encouraged to come and join us to celebrate with us.

Year 2 and year 1 Class Mass

Year 2 Class Mass will now take place on the 17th March – St Patrick's Day - with Year 1. Parents and Carers are welcome to join us on this special feast day.

Parents' Evening

A reminder that Parents' Evening will be taking place on Tuesday 24th March and Wednesday 25th March after school. Please book your appointment online through the school teachers2parents system. If you are having any difficulties in booking an appointment time, please do come into the school office and speak to Mrs Sharp, who I know will be happy to help you with this.

Virtues to Live by

As we started our new term last week we have been looking at a new virtue, Charity. In school the children will be thinking about this virtue and what it means to them, during collective worship, R.E. and PSHE.

Why Practise Charity: Love of Neighbour?

There is no alternative to love. Love is the most important virtue, because God is love and so love comes from God. The gift of love is always dynamic, a force that sustains us and seeks to transform and bring wholeness and newness of life. Love is, therefore, inescapably outgoing, it cannot be kept to oneself but exists in being shared.

How do we Practise Charity?

We can show our love for God, who has given us the gift of love, by spending time with God in times of quiet reflection, prayer and worship. We also show our love for God by the way we love others. We love others by caring for them and treating them with tenderness. We also show our loving concern for those we do not know by charitable works and wanting the best for them.

Miss Clark (Headteacher)

Dates for your Diary

12.03.2020 – 9:15am - Year 3 Class Assembly
12.03.2020 – 2:30pm – Celebration Assembly (moved to Thursday afternoon this week)
17.03.2020 – St Patrick's Day
17.03.2020 – 9:30am – Year 1 and Year 2 Class Mass
18.03.2020 – 9:00am - Year 5 Fire safety talk
24.03.2020 – 9:30am – Year 6 and Year R Class Mass
24.03.2020 – Parents' Evening
25.03.2020 – Parents' Evening
31.03.2020 – 9:30am - Year 5 Class Mass
03.04.2020 – End of Spring Term 2 and start of Easter Holiday