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, Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself.

3rd November 2023

Message from Mrs Procter



Welcome back to our most exciting term- Christmas songs can already be heard along the corridors! Preparations are under way, our Christmas Dinner date is set, the Pantomime is booked and Christmas Productions are being decided as we speak. This year we have decided that we will be holding a separate Y1 and Y2 production so please note the dates at the end of the newsletter. This week we have celebrated Mass as a school for All Saints Day, the children joined the parishioners and were as always a credit to us. The church youth club is having a special event on Friday where the

children can go dressed as a Saint, all are welcome.

The weather has been horrible this week and really wet, whilst I appreciate that parents want to park as close to school as possible when it is raining, can I please remind you to park safely and courteously as I have had a number of complaints of parents blocking neighbours driveways. Our children will not melt if they have to walk a short distance in the rain.

Weekly Reflection

We all need people to cheer us on. Especially if we are learning something new, we need people to encourage us and support us. There are people who can help us to serve God better too! Saints are everyday people who have set a great example of how to follow God. They didn't always get things right, and often they made great mistakes but their faith and trust in God shone through. Saints are now dead and live in Heaven but they encourage us and cheer us on. God has given us many, many saints to help us. Having their help and example doesn't mean we don't go to Jesus directly. The saints just want to point us to Jesus. They want to show us God's love. When Saint Paul was talking about our lives being like a race he said, "Keep your eyes on Jesus. He is the beginning and the end." The saints love Jesus and lived for him and they know that worship belongs only to God.

This week we celebrated the feast of All Saints and we remembered how we too are called to be little saints in our everyday lives by our actions and words. What are you going to do this week to be a saint to others?

Ethos Statement – I know how to look after myself.

The following children have shown they know how to look after themselves this week:

FJH	Toby Evans	1DH	Ivy Rendle	2HK	Emilia Reaney
FJH	Freiya Eccles	1DH	Willow Mathews	2HK	Macie Roberts
FBG	Christopher Pavolovski	1SH	Alex Scanlan	2HW	Kamila Cierpich
FBG	Jack Thomas	1SH	Amber Evans	2HW	Oscar Byrne

3EJ	Mollie Stott	4DJ	Jessie Bastow	5AY	Isaac Shevlin
3EJ	Robyn Morgan	4DJ	David Nye	5AY	Joe Delaney
3KH	Blue Hughes	4RL	Verity Bull	5MJ	Isla Cameron Richards

3KH	Theo Laycock	4RL	Grace Murphy	5MJ	Jaecob Edwards
6HS	Laila Zebila				
6HS	Lucas Doherty				

Team Points

6RM

	Mark	KS2	Matthew	Overall	Matthew
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Mass for All Saints

6RM | Orla Vesey

Benjamin Morris

All children in Years 2 to 6 joined our parish family on Wednesday to celebrate the Feast of All Saints. Deacon Tony explained how saints live their lives for the Lord and we are all called to be saints in our own lives today. If we can follow the two greatest commandments every day then that is what we can be – Love God and love our neighbour. It was lovely seeing the church so full and the children behaved beautifully. Well done.

Holy Souls

During the month of November, we pray especially for all those who have died. All children in school thought about someone they would like to pray for and added it to our Entrance Hall display. We will keep all of these people in our prayers during the next few weeks.

Year 5/6 Mass

On Friday 10th November, all Year 5 and Year 6 will be joining the parishioners for Mass at 9:30. We would like the children in this class to bring in items for Wirral Foodbank on this day so that they can take it over with them when they go.



Thank you in advance.

CTK Brass Band News

This week we welcomed our wonderful Year 3 musicians to their first Brass Band rehearsal and they all did brilliantly!

Well done also to our existing members who were so helpful to our new players.

Reminder: Brass Band rehearsals take place on Wednesday lunchtimes.



Christmas Decorations

It is that time of year again, where the Art council have been working incredibly hard thinking about what we will use this year to create our decorations in both our classrooms and around the school. Like last year, we would like to continue to use eco-friendly materials so we would like to ask if you could please send in any cardboard tubes from home so that they can be used in your child's class to design and create Christmas decorations with.

Thank you for your on-going support Mrs Hughes and the Art council.

Poppies

Next week, the year six heads and deputies will be visiting classrooms selling poppies. We have traditional poppies and then a limited stock of items such as snap bands and bracelets. Our limited stock of items will be sold at £1 (these items will be limited to one item per child whilst stocks last) and then for poppies we would ask for a small donation. If your child would like to purchase a poppy or another item, then please ensure that they have the correct change to make a donation next week.

Important Reminder-Persistent Lateness

Persistent late arrival at school not only affects the learning of the student arriving late, but also the learning of the rest of the students in the class. Ongoing, persistent lateness, after the registration period has closed, can lead to statutory measures being used by the Local Authority. Can we also remind parents that when possible, appointments should be made for pupils at the end of the school day so they are not leaving class early and disrupting the lesson (we appreciate that there are times when it is beyond your control).

Persistent lateness and early leaving over a school year can often accumulate to several days missed learning for students and may be drawn to the attention of the Local Authority Attendence Officer resulting in a fixed penalty notice.

9am Natter Group

Mrs Jones will be holding another 9am Natter group. This will take place on Friday 10th November in the infant hall. The aim is for parents to pop in and as it says, have a natter. Tea and biscuits will be available. It will last until 10am and is a chance for parents to make friends and share experiences. If you want to attend please enter through the infant hall door in the infant staff car park at 9am. See you then!

Mrs Jones

Year 5 Trip to Port Sunlight

As part of our Victorian topic this term, we will be focusing on a local study of Port Sunlight. We will be going on a trip to the museum and to explore the village for the day.

Both **5AY and 5MJ** will be going on <u>Thursday 23rd November</u> and we will be travelling on the train from Bromborough station and will spend the whole day in the village.

Children will need to have a waterproof coat and a packed lunch with them. We will return to school in time for the end of the school day. Please make payment via ParentPay by the 17^{th} November.

We are looking forward to exploring the village and taking part in an Urban sketch crawl. We know that the children will enjoy learning about a historical place in our local area. If you have any questions please contact your child's class teacher.

Miss Yates and Mr James

We are recruiting!

Playzone Before and After School Club are seeking a happy, enthusiastic playworker to join their team! Our numbers have increased since opening our doors to 'Little Acorns' In September. The position is part time/ term time only, consisting of morning and afternoon sessions so flexibility is essential and online training is available. If your own child/children are over 4 years old, they are also able to join you and enjoy the company!

For further information, please contact Louise Somers or Cath Ravenscroft at Playzone via email <u>playzonectk@gmail.com</u>. We look forward to meeting you!

Amazon Wish List

We would like to continue growing our book collections in our school and class libraries. If you would like to click on our Amazon wish list link below and purchase a book to donate to school, we would be very grateful. Please leave a message when you order; we stick this in the front of the books so the children can see who the kind donation is from. https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3QL2CNKMTS7GT?ref_=wl_share

Whole School Pantomime at the Floral Pavilion New Brighton



This year the whole school will be going to the Floral Pavillion, New Brighton to see this years' fabulous pantomime 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. The trip will take place on 19^{th} December during the school day and the cost of the ticket and coach to the venue will be £17.50.

Payments are made via ParentPay and should be completed by 1st December.

Greetings at the PFA

You may feel we have been quiet but we have been beavering away behind the scenes getting ready for the festive season. Our next meeting is Wednesday 8th November at 8pm in the Merebrook on Greenfields Ave. Pop along to see what we have planned for the rest of the school year. We will also be finalising the date for the AGM so if you have any questions about becoming part of the committee then we can answer any questions you may have.

Childrens Nature Day Birkenhead Priory

Birkenhead Priory will be hosting a free event with nature themed activities for children on Saturday 4th November, 12 – 3pm at Birkenhead Priory, Priory Street, Birkenhead, CH41 5JH.

Meet owls from the Moonshine Owls Sanctuary

- Watch bees at work in an observational hive brought by Flourish at Ford Way
- Follow the Priory Nature Trail
- Make Bee, Owl or Ladybird 'Pebble Friends'

More information, including booking information for workshops, can be found on the Facebook event listing at https://www.facebook.com/events/3634791330084136

<u>Dates for your Diary</u>

Friday 10 th November	Mrs Jones's 9am Natter Group
Monday 13 th November	Anti Bullying week commences
Monday 20 th November	UNICEF week commences
Thursday 23 rd November	Year 5 trip to Port Sunlight
Monday 4 th December	FS1 Christmas production 9:15-10:15
Tuesday 5 th December	FS2 Christmas production 9:15-10:15
Monday 11 th December	Year 1 Christmas production 9:15-10:15
Monday 11 th December	Year 3/4 Christmas production 2:15-3:15
Tuesday 12 th December	Year 2 Christmas production 9:15-10:15
Tuesday 12 th December	Year 5/6 Christmas production 2:15- 3:15
Wednesday 13 th December	Christmas Dinner Day
Tuesday 19 th December	Whole School trip 'Jack and the Beanstalk'
Wednesday 20 th December	School closes for Christmas at 1:30pm
Thursday 21st December	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
Friday 22 nd December	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
Monday 8 th January 2024	School reopens



LIVE

Join us Thursday 23rd November 2023

Floral Pavilion Marine Parade, New Brighton

A marketplace of SEND Services, Live Performances and Workshops, Have Your Say, Sensory Corner and much more.

> No booking needed. Just turn up For more information visit sendlowirral.co.uk