

ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER – 11th NOVEMBER 2022

SCHOOL NEWS

On Wednesday, Father Chris visited school to hold a Remembrance Mass with KS2. All classes produced some lovely art work to pay our respects to all those who have died fighting during wars. Today, on Armistice Day, classes have held a two-minute silence to honour those we have lost in war. There will be various services across the community on Sunday.



Father Chris also visited Y6 to talk about vocations as part of their RE topic. During the year, a range of visitors will be coming in to speak to children about their jobs and professions, to raise awareness of the different pathways children might like to explore in the future.

Y4, 5 and 6 have been very busy today taking part in 'Creative Builders Workshops' involving Lego. Y4 and Y5 have been working on a community building theme, looking at local areas and the importance of living in our British community. Y6 have been focusing on a Mayan themed project, linked to their history topic. The children have really enjoyed working together to discuss, design and build!



FLU VACCINATIONS

Flu vaccinations have taken place in school today. If your child is absent today there will be another opportunity later in the year for them to receive the vaccination.

ROAD SAFETY WEEK

Next week we will be participating in Road Safety Week. Local business Fox Brothers, along with PC Vinnie and Counsellor Andrew Walmsley, will be visiting to hold Assemblies about road safety for our pupils. Fox Brothers will be bringing one of their trucks for the children to look at again and children will be doing some PSHE activities in class relating to road safety. There will also be a colouring competition judged by our visitors.

UP AND COMING EVENTS

Next Thursday 17th November, there is a Taster Day at All Saints for selected Y5 pupils. On Friday 18th, it is Children in Need day and the theme is 'SPOTACULAR'. Miss Mills, our PSHE and mental health lead, will send out a letter on Monday with further information. Letters regarding Parents Evening will also be sent home on Monday, with a slight change in dates. For EYFS and KS1, telephone appointments will be held in the week beginning 28th November, and for KS2 appointments will be during the week of 5th December, after assessments have taken place. In the Spring term, appointments will be face to face so that parents can also look at children's books.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

There was no Assembly today due to the Lego workshops in the hall so celebrations for our certificate winners will take place next Friday when we will have a double celebration. Next week, our growth mindset phrase of the week will be '**EXPLAINING ANSWERS**'.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Here are our attendance figures for this week. The winning class will receive £10 for class treats.

Reception – 85.3%

Year 1 – 96.1%

Year 2 – 91.7%

Year 3 – 91.5%

Year 4 – 97.2% (Winner)

Year 5 – 93.5%

Year 6 – 94.1%

Weekly Overall School Attendance is 93%.



ONLINE SAFETY

This week we have attached a guide for parents about Online Bullying which has some useful tips on how to support your child.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

