

In everything we do today, we're following Jesus and his way

School Newsletter

Newsletter 2

Spring Term 2022

Thursday 20 January

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Mrs S Hukowski (pt)

Assistant Head: Mrs L Byfield SENCo: Mrs J Burke

This Week's Merits	
Class	Name of children
RG	Olympia, Rafaela
RP	Sonari, Leo
RW	Deniz, Cian
1A	Chimnoya, Edith
1DS	Gloria, Kaiden
1W	Alex, Dominic
2B	Malaysia, Ella-Mae
2K	Maya, Victoria H
2NS	Perla, Valentina
3A	Hugh and Illaria
3F	Jake and Sean
3S	Sienna and Emily
4BC	4BC - Aidan and Joseph
40S	4OS - Yannick and Alice
4S	4S - Jasmine and Illaria
5FM	5FM - Aidan and Anna
5MA	5MA - Annabelle and Roxy
5MR	5MR - Dylan and Ailish
6K	6K - Scarlett and Jessica
6M	6M - Liam and Paul
6OT	6OT - Ameliya and Katrina

Uniform

School uniform is very important. It creates a sense of belonging and looks smart. We want to ensure that all our children can look smart and think smart! Our winter uniform is white shirt and school tie with a navy blue jumper or cardigan. Grey trousers or skirts should be worn along with grey tights or white socks. Please ensure that your children wear smart, sensible shoes to school, and not trainers. Finally, our lovely school fleece jackets, perfect for winter days, are available from Smiths Schoolwear on Lancaster Road. Don't forget to label everything with your child's name and class.

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Next week is the feast of the conversion of St Paul, a significant feast in the calendar of the Church and a brilliant story to share with our children. Paul realises, after his conversion, that he is not alone and that God is travelling with him. We too can be assured that, through our baptism and faith, we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, our constant guide. We can assure our children that the Holy Spirit will be there to accompany us through difficult and challenging moments of our lives.

COVID Catch Up

Please be vigilant to the signs of Coronavirus:

Since resuming in September, we have had **one hundred and sixty two** positive COVID cases amongst the children, **twenty six** this term. Please ensure that testing is carried out at the first sign of a high temperature, a new, continuous cough or a loss of taste or smell. Testing is important as many of the cases that we are hearing about in our school community are asymptomatic. Make sure you leave a LFT for the full duration before reading the result! For the **fourteen** of you who are currently absent, we wish you a speedy recovery and look forward to having you back with us soon.

Thank you for reporting new cases using the school website as this is very helpful to us, and includes cases within your family.

Testing

If anyone has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19, they are strongly advised to take a PCR test, not an LFD test. If someone with symptoms has already taken an LFD test for any reason and the result is positive, they **do not need** to take a follow-up PCR test.

Self Isolation

Anyone who is self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to school immediately on day 6. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace.

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

For more information:

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/self-isolation-for-those-with-covid-19-can-end-after-five-full-days-following-two-negative-lfd-tests

"You are completely known by God, and you are completely loved."

(Paul: Apostle of Christ 2008 Film)





















For those of you who drive your children to school, please

- Drive carefully on the roads surrounding school
- Park considerately to our neighbours
- Turn your engine off, not leave it running while parked
- Make every effort to walk all or some of the way to school if possible. It's healthy and good for the environment



Vigilance

We recently heard the troubling story of one of our school mums who was followed from near Gordon Hill station to the school entrance. As well as our children who walk home alone, parents can also call school if they feel vulnerable locally. Please remain vigilant on our local streets and report anything suspicious to the police.

Congratulations...

Congratulations to the following children who received their Guild of St Stephen medal last week at Church. They have completed their training for altar serving and now enter the guild.

Ben 6K, Anna 6M, Celina 6M, Elijah 6OT, Catherine 6OT

Your Child's Art raised a massive £658.68. Thank you to everyone who made a purchase.

Tissues

A few years ago, our school council had a great idea - if each child brought to school a box of tissues, the class would never run out and it would save the school a lot of money.

The system is still in operation and, as our supplies have diminished, I am asking parents to honour the children's wishes and send a box of tissues to school with their child.

The school council did not specify that it had to be a particular standard of tissue, so an economy box would be as welcome as a 3-ply luxury brand!

Upcoming Dates

Advance warning of some key school dates...

January

Mon 24th 1W Reading Workshop for Parents (2:30)
Tues 25th 1DS Reading Workshop for Parents (2:30)
Weds 26th 1A Reading Workshop for Parents (2:30)

Ranger Stu (Year 2)

February

Weds 2nd Spirituality Day
Fri 4th NSPCC Numbers Day
Mon 7th 2K Reading Workshop
Tues 8th 2B Reading Workshop
Weds 9th 2NS Reading Workshop

Fri 11th School closes for half term 3:30pm

Second Infection

We are now hearing informed of children who have been infected for a second time with COVID-19. Bearing in mind that second infections are possible, please remember to test your children regularly, even if they have previously contracted the virus

The Christmas Day balloon race raised £280.24. Thank you to all who bought one.

Happy School Bag collection on Monday raised £202.50. Thank you.