



NEWSLETTER

GOSPEL VALUE OF THE TERM:

COMMUNITY

"Now, now' - it is the Lord who speaks- 'come back to me with all your heart, fasting, mourning." Joel 2:12 The God who speaks- Lent 2

Celebrate God's Word~ Live God's Word~ Share God's Word

Value of the Month: March

CO-OPERATION

Grow and Share Project



The first Grow and Share session was a great success! Thank you to all the families that have joined us on the programme. We have begun clearing the area and next week will begin planting! Lots of fun was had and the children were amazed to find 13 worms!

Thought of the Week

Jesus sits at the well and strikes up a conversation with a Samaritan woman who has come to draw water. The exchange quickly deepens to challenge her whole way of life. For millions of women, drawing water from a well or borehole is still a daily reality. Awaiting their turn, conversations spring up, news is shared and confidences exchanged.

In this Year of the Word, our encounter and exchange with the Word of God can change our outlook and inspire us to consider living in a whole new way, as happened for the Samaritan woman when she conversed with Jesus.

Word made Flesh, speak to us as we read the scriptures. Teach us to listen to the people we encounter so that we can understand their reality and work together to build a fairer world. Amen.

Right of the month for March 2020



Article 26: You have the right to help from the government if you are poor or in need.



Lent 1: Encounter with us through being a Disciple...

It is Bishop Patrick's vision that every church, chaplaincy, school and home in our Diocese will be a place where people can encounter Jesus. We are being called to encounter and re-encounter Jesus and his love for us. We are called to discover and rediscover Jesus and the call to follow him. Our school exists so we can present the Good News to you our families in engaging and transforming ways. How will you Encounter Christ this term? How will you be a Disciple? Perhaps share as a family the Wednesday Word, join us for Wednesday Worship or Mass in our Parish Church.

"Were not our hearts burning within us"

Weekly Mission: *This week we have been reflecting on how we can be greater Disciples through "taking up" something during Lent.*

- *Engage in conversation with the people who serve you (e.g. shopkeepers)*
- *Say thank you to someone as they work and say how much you appreciate them*
- *Call in on an elderly neighbour with an adult - take some cake, have a cup of tea and a chat*
- *Shop locally and support local farmers, local veg growers and local shops*
- *Join us in our "Journey with Matthew" share a Reading together.*

My Maths

My Maths challenges this week set by teachers have been extremely successful with a number of pupils logging on at home to attempt and complete their challenges. A huge well done to Year 6 you are our Gold Winners this week and achieved over 800 attempts, followed by Year 3 as Silver Winners and Year 4 receiving Bronze. It is lovely to see so many children accessing further learning at home and look forward to seeing further success next week!

Weekly Mission

This week we have been reflecting on the Transfiguration of the Lord and how we can follow Jesus as a light that shines through our Discipleship.

- Consider a daily prayer routine that helps us think about how we have lived as Jesus' disciple this day
- At the heart of our preparation for Easter is being penitential, sorry, think about ways to show you are sorry for the wrong choices you have made
- Fasting does not always need to be related to food - think of ways to fast from the negatives such as complaining, pressures or actions that harm others

COVID-19 Virus

Please check your emails for a letter submitted by the Trust regarding COVID-19 and the actions supported by our Multi Academy Trust to ensure we as a school are complying with the governments intentions for schools around the country. We have been advised to encourage both staff and pupils to wash their hands at regular intervals across the day for a minimum of 20 seconds these include

1. BEFORE leaving home to come to school
2. ON ARRIVING at school
3. BEFORE eating food or snacks
4. AFTER break and P.E.
5. AFTER using the toilet

Advice and recommended hand washing procedures can be found on the government website below.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/public-information-campaign-focuses-on-handwashing>

Maths Challenge for this week by Carson

Alex is trying to divide 137 divided by 3. His answer was 44 r 5.

$044r5$

$3[137$

What did he do wrong? Explain his mistake.

Information: helpline launched to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education

The Department for Education has launched a new helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687 Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

The latest guidance for education settings is available on GOV.UK.

Dates For Your Diary:

March a time where Spring starts to take hold.

Monday 16th March

Writes Class Photographs

Year 1 and 3 Dance lessons

3.15pm Grow & Share Project

3-4.30pm Netball Match (Home)

Tuesday 17th March

Guitar Lessons

4.30-7.20pm Parents Evening & Book Fair

Wednesday 18th March

2.50pm EYFS Class Worship

3.40-5.40pm Parents Evening & Book Fair

Thursday 19th March

3.30-4.30pm Girls Football (Pinchbeck)

Friday 20th March

Year 4 Swimming

1pm Mother's Day Celebration

3.45-6pm Hockey Tournament at Surfleet Hockey Club

Priorities for School Improvement for 2019-2020:

Key Improvement 1: Catholic Life of the School –SMSC To improve the quality of the R.E. teaching so that it is consistently good / outstanding in all classes. *Article 14: You have the right to choose your own religion and beliefs. Your parents should help you decide what is right and wrong, and what is best for you.*

Key Improvement 2: Quality of Education Improve the quality of teaching in order to increase rates of progress and raise standards for all groups of pupils. *Article 3: All adults should do what is best for you. When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions will affect children.*

Key Improvement 3: Personal Development To improve the personal development of all pupils *Article 29: Your education should help you use and develop your talents and abilities. It should also help you learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.*

Key Improvement 4: Leadership and Management Develop the effectiveness of all middle and senior leaders *Article 6: All children have the right to life and develop healthily. Article 28: All children and young people have a right to a primary education, which should be free. Discipline in schools should respect children's human dignity. Young people should be encouraged to reach the highest level of education they are capable of.*

Key Improvement 5: Outcomes for children and learners. To improve the teaching of English in order to raise standards of attainment and rates of progress for all pupils across the school. *Article 13: You have the right to find out things and share what you think with others, by talking, drawing, and writing or in any other way unless it harms or offends other people.*

Pupil of the Week

EYFS- Amanda for amazing reading and comprehension.

Year 1-Max for working hard with his sentences and finger spacing.

Year 2- Paul for excellent effort across the curriculum.

Year 3- Gabriela for her fabulous story writing this week.

Year 4 – Malachai for his wonderful poetry skills shown in our Poetry workshop on Tuesday.

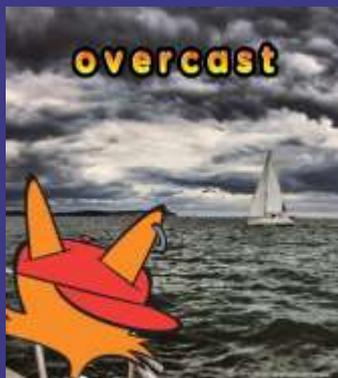
Year 5- Lorenzo for excellent use of vocabulary in his non-chronological writing about Charles Dickens.

Year 6- Antonina for her kindness and thoughtfulness towards others when supporting and leading in Maths learning.

Attendance Remember as we start the school year our school target is 97% and anything below **90% is Persistent Absence and can result in a fixed penalty notice.** We are also required to report any families to the local authority whose children have had 10 consecutive days absent from school or any that take unauthorised/absence or holiday. Attendance figures for 2nd – 6th March2020. Well done Year 6 !

EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
97%	91%	97.6%	95.5%	97.9%	95.6%	99.3%

Word of the Day



EYFS Message Norbert Bear is visiting Antoni and his family. Have fun! If you wish to follow Norbert Bear on his adventures, follow him @NorbertBear1



JRSO Message

<https://thinkdirect.gov.uk/education/early-years-and-primary/parents/7-to-11s/Be-bright-be-seen/>

E-Safety

Visit our E-Safety page on the school website. <http://www.st-norberts-hills.sch.uk/e-safety.asp>
<https://net-aware.org.uk> Or download the Net Aware app for android and iOS.



Make sure your child knows what to do if they come across cyberbullying. Encourage them to be an upstander not a bystander with the Stop, Speak, Support code. Developed by the Royal Foundation, we've been working in partnership with a coalition of organisations, including O2, and young people themselves. The code gives advice on how to respond to online bullying. Use the link below:

https://www.cpscc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/child-abuse-and-neglect/bullying-and-cyberbullying/2016_source-Ademradumt_medban-awallawm_content-Vobadumt_campaign-123017-com-netaware_LFS

Top Tips for safer digital living!

1. **Prioritise Safety-** Teach children not to give out personal information, like their name, address, telephone number, or which school they go to. Think about what YOU share about your child on social media too!
2. **Set Parental Controls-** Agree a list of websites and apps your child is allowed to visit, and remember to check the minimum age limit on services like Facebook or YouTube.
3. **Discuss their activities-** Take an interest in their online world. Talk to them about their favourite websites, videos, and online friends.
4. **Set Boundaries-** Establish time limits for activities such as using the internet and game consoles. Make sure to set side time for "unplugged" family activity.
5. **Be open-** Let your child know that they can tell you about anything that happens on the internet, and that you'll listen without judgment



House point Dojo Points

1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place	4 th Place
St Lucy - 300	St Dominic - 265	St Bernadette - 236	St Francis - 214

Prayers Please!



This Lent, may we:

implore justice through our prayer,
 stand in solidarity through our fasting,
 and reach out through our giving.

Send your life-giving power

to revive the weary,

restore the broken

and renew the face of the earth.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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