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Weekly Newsletter
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Following in Jesus' footsteps...
We pray together
We play together

We learn together



Come and See



In this week's Collective Worship the children reflected on those who sacrificed their lives in the First World War and why we wear poppies in November.

Mrs Evans shared her story of her two great uncles who lost their lives in France.

Over the weekend please try to attend a service of remembrance with your child. Year 2 children will be attending

The Memorial Gardens in Cronton Village at 10.45am on Sunday.
The Royal British Legion will be holding a service at 11am tomorrow morning in Morrison's in Widnes and on Sunday at 11am in Victoria Park in Widnes.

Last week the children made individual poppies during their art lessons. These poppies have now been displayed at the front of the school along with information about Mrs Evan's two great uncles James and Paddy Breen.

If your family has any stories of relatives who fought and lost their lives during the First or Second World War, please do share the story with us.

Maybe as a family you would like to document this and bring it into school to add to our display.

It is very important that our children develop an understanding and respect for those who sacrificed their lives for us.

Our Value next week is forgiveness.



Please speak to your child/ren about the importance of this value.

Our School Prayer

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at home,
Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at school,
Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless all the families
of the world.
Amen

Attendance for week ending 3rd November 2017

Year	Attendance	Weeks Won
R	97.3%	3
1	91.3%	1
2**	99.4%	3
3**	99.4%	1
4	97.6%	1
5	95.8%	1
6	97.3%	1

Whole School: 97.1%

National average is 96.6%

Well done to our Y2 & Y3 Classes, you are our
classes of the week.

Unfortunately no class achieved 100%.

Two classes were below the National Average.



Holidays during school time can no longer be authorised unless under exceptional circumstances. Holidays will therefore be marked as unauthorised unless permission has been granted under 'exceptional circumstances'. This is a government drive to ensure children's learning is not interrupted due to absence.

Many thanks





Year Group	Star of the Week
Reception	Maisey
Year 1	Finley
Year 2	Violet
Year 3	Lucas
Year 4	Sofia
Year 5	Neve
Year 6	Sean

The Star has been awarded to our children who have shown the value of the week.
Well done to the children who were chosen last week.



End of Term Rewards for Effort

At the end of this term the ten highest earning children from each class will be rewarded with a visit to the Reel Cinema on Friday 15th December to see the film STAR.

The following eight earners will be invited to watch the matinee performance of Sister Act at Sts Peter & Paul School on Monday 18th December at 1.30pm.

The next four earners will go on a Christmas Walk to Pex Hill visiting Cronton Garden Centre, time and date still to be arranged.

The remaining earners will receive a pen and make Christmas biscuits on Monday 18th December.

If the children do not wish to take up their reward this term they can bank their money until the end of the Spring term to enable them to earn a higher prize at Easter.

Children in Reception and Y1 will be rewarded with a Christmas Party which is to be held on Friday 15th December at 1.30pm in the school hall.

What's happened this week

Football

Selected children in Y2 took part in a football tournament on Thursday afternoon. The children played really well and finished in 3rd position from eleven schools. Well done to Lily who was the top goalscorer. Well done, we are very proud of you all ☺.

Y3 Trip

The children in Y3 had a lovely day at Chester on Wednesday and thankfully the weather was kind to them. The children had a tour around the Roman walls seeing the city from the eyes of a Roman Soldier.

Hearing Screening

The audiologist came into school on Tuesday to test the hearing of the children in the Reception Class. If any children were absent on the day she will be returning at a future date due to be confirmed.

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 12th November is Remembrance Sunday and there will be a service at the Memorial Gardens and Cenotaph at 11am. Children from Y2 especially are invited to join Mrs Hannah to lay the wreath and represent our school. Please be at the Memorial Gardens for 10.45am.

Unfortunately Miss Sharratt is now unable to attend. All are welcome.

Computing Day

The children in Y4 took part in a computer day on Wednesday with Mr Ellis. The children made videos of themselves as sports commentators using a green screen.

CAFOD Just one world

Today we welcomed Toni and Charles from CAFOD to talk to the children about the universal rights of the child. The children took part in workshops and learnt that every child has the right to play, be safe and have food and water. This will help our children to think about other children less fortunate than themselves and help them to become global citizens.

What's coming up soon

Children in Need

Next week we will be holding various fundraising activities for this worthwhile charity. The theme this year is 'The Big Spotacular'. On Monday morning the children are invited to ramble to school from The Observatory Pub to school. Children will need to be at The Observatory for a prompt 8am start. All children are to be accompanied by a parent please. We would be grateful for donations of £1.00. A bake-a-thon at home is also encouraged and we will sell the biscuits and cakes during break times and lunchtimes for donations of 50p. During PE lessons all children are also invited to 'Jump for Pudsey' and any donations or sponsorships are welcome. On Friday we would like all children to add something spotty to their uniform and the children in Y5 will be offering spotty face painting. A donation of £1.00 for the spotty uniform and 50p for face painting would be appreciated. A separate letter with full information was sent home last week.

School Photographer

The photographer will be coming into school on Wednesday 29th November. Children are to wear full school uniform but siblings not in Holy Family School will be allowed to come into school at 8.30am for a family group photograph. Please note that siblings will always be photographed together unless we receive a letter in writing stating otherwise.

Football

Selected children in Y3 will be taking part in a football tournament on Thursday 16th November. Selected Children in Y5 will be taking part in a football tournament on Friday 17th November. Separate letters have been sent home to the children involved.

School Nurse

Unfortunately we have received notification from the school nurse that the visit on Tuesday 21st November has now been postponed. We will inform you of the new date when known.

Anti-Bullying Week

Week commencing 13th November is National Anti-bullying week. The theme this year is "All different, All equal". During the week we will be looking at promoting equality and diversity and the anti-bullying message.

On Monday 13th November it is 'Odd Socks day'. Children (and adults) will be encouraged to wear odd socks and show their support of this week.

Science Workshop

The children in KS2 will take part in science workshops on Wednesday 22nd November with Mr Peake. I'm sure the children will have a wonderful day.

Kurling

Selected children will be taking part in a Kurling event on Tuesday 21st November. A separate letter has been sent to the children involved.

Reception Trip

The children in the Reception Class will be going to Cronton Nurseries on Thursday 30th November to choose the school Christmas Tree. A separate letter giving full details has been sent home. We do hope that you will be able to come along and enjoy this lovely day, finishing off with lunch with the children.

Robinwood

Mrs Quigley will be holding a meeting regarding Robinwood on Thursday 30th November at 3.30pm. We do hope that you will be able to come along and receive all the information about what activities the children will be participating in as well as the clothing that will be required. We look forward to seeing you all.

Grandparent Christmas Party

The children in Y2 will be holding a Grandparent Christmas party on Friday 1st December starting at 1.45pm until 3pm. I'm sure this will be a lovely afternoon and you will all be well looked after by the children.

Christmas Concerts

The Reception Class will be having their Christmas play on Thursday 7th December at 9am. The performance will last approx one hour.

The children in Y1 & Y2 will be holding Christmas Concerts on Monday 11th December and Tuesday 12th December @ 4pm. Tickets are not needed and everyone is welcome☺.

The children in Y3, Y4 & Y5 will be holding their Christmas Concerts on Wednesday 13th December and Thursday 14th December @ 4pm. Tickets are not needed and again, everyone is welcome☺.

Christmas Dinner

The whole school will be partaking in a Christmas Dinner on Friday 15th December. A separate letter will be sent home nearer to the time. Please note that we have decided to support Save the Children Charity on this day and the children will be allowed to wear their Christmas jumpers to school that day for a £1.00 donation.

Pantomime

The whole school will be going to The Brindley in Runcorn on Tuesday 19th December to see Sleeping Beauty. Further details will be sent home nearer to the time.

Holiday Dates 2018/19

Dates for September 2018 - July 2019 have now been agreed by Governors. A copy of the dates have been emailed to all parents and dates are now on the school website and parentapp.

Break Up

Please note that we finish for Christmas on Thursday 21st December at 2pm and return to school on Wednesday 3rd January 2018.

After School Clubs

Week commencing 27th November is the last week for after school clubs until after the Christmas half term break.

Day	Activity/Club	Year	Time	Collection
Monday	Game Changer Multi Skills Breakfast Club	Y1,Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6	8.15-8.55	Please bring to the main entrance
	Vikings Rugby – external provider	Years 4,5,6	3.20-4.15	Y6
	Tween Yoga – external provider	Years 3, 4 & 5	3.15-4.15	Hall
	Football	Years 1 & 2	3.15- 4.15	Y2
Tuesday	Gardening Club	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	3.20- 4.00	Playground
	Netball	Years 4, 5 & 6	3.20-4.00	Main Entrance
	Football	Years 3, 4, Years 5 & 6	3.20-4.15	Y3 – (Y3 & Y4) Y6 – (Y5 & Y6)
	Tween Yoga – external provider	Years 1 & 2	3.15-4.15	Hall
Wednesday	Cookery	Y4 this term Y5 next term	3.20-4.15	Y5
	iPad with Knowsley CLC specialist teacher (External provider)	Year 3,4,5,6	3.20-4.15	Y6
Thursday	Rise and Shine Dance	Years 1, 2, 3, & 4	8.30-8.55	Main entrance
	Art (15 places)	Y2 this term Y3 next term	3.20-4.15	Y2
	Dance	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6	3.20-4.15	Hall
Friday	Rugby-Mr Walker	Years 1 & 2	3.15-4.00	Hall
	Film club	Years 2, 3,4,5,6	3.20-4.15	Y4

Diary Dates

November

Monday 13 th	Wear odd socks to school - Anti Bullying week
Monday 13 th	Ramble to school - 8am from The Observatory
Thursday 16 th	Y3 Football
Friday 17 th	Y5 Football
Friday 17 th	Spotty uniform for donations of £1.00 and face painting for 50p
Tuesday 21 st	Kurling event
Wednesday 22 nd	KS2 Science Workshops
Thursday 30 th	Reception Trip to Cronton Nurseries 9am-1pm
Thursday 30 th	Y5 Robinwood meeting at 3.30pm

December

Friday 1 st	Y2 Grandparents Party @ 1.45pm
Wednesday 6 th	KS1 PTFA Disco 4pm - 5.30pm
Thursday 7 th	KS2 PTFA Disco 4pm - 5.30pm
Thursday 7 th	Reception Play @ 9am
Friday 8 th	Y3 Computing Day
Monday 11 th	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Concert @ 4pm
Tuesday 12 th	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Concert @ 4pm
Wednesday 13 th	Y3, Y4 & Y5 Christmas Concert @ 4pm
Thursday 14 th	Y3, Y4 & Y5 Christmas Concert @ 4pm
Friday 15 th	Christmas Dinner & Wear your Christmas Jumper to School
Friday 15 th	Reward for Effort trip to The Reel in Widnes
Friday 15 th	Reception & Y1 Christmas Party @ 1.30pm
Monday 18 th	Reward for Effort trip to see Sister Act
Tuesday 19 th	Whole school trip to The Brindley - Panto
Thursday 21 st	School closes for Christmas at 2pm

January 2018

Wednesday 3 rd	Return to School - Bell @ 8.55am
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JESUS
 Loves Me
 This I
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