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HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

"To help each person here to achieve his or her best in work and play.

To celebrate whatever is good and follow in the footsteps of Jesus by supporting and forgiving each other.

For the honour and glory of God."

Friday 24th October 2025

It's been a busy half term with so much happening and our children have worked so hard! We've enjoyed a range of special days and events that have truly enriched our children's learning experiences.

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support in making these opportunities possible. We know that, in your busy lives, another theme day can mean extra things to remember, and we really do appreciate all that you do. We are so fortunate to be part of such a wonderfully supportive school community.

As half term arrives, autumn reminds us that even the earth takes time to rest and reset before new growth. This half term offers that same invitation to us- to slow down, to notice what's good, and to reset. Whether it's time with family, a walk in the crisp autumn air, or simply a slow morning at home, these moments restore us. I hope you all have a wonderful half term break and we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 3rd November.

"Come away by yourselves to a quiet place and rest a while."- Mark 6:31



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Harvest Festival

This week, our Caritas Ambassadors led a truly inspiring Gospel assembly, sharing the parable of the rich farmer and his barns (Luke 12:16–21). They reflected on its profound message- that true richness lies not in storing up earthly treasures, but in being generous and grateful for what we have. The children reminded us of the importance of sharing with those in need, living out our Catholic Social Teaching values in a meaningful way. This message was powerfully echoed in the incredible response to their food drive; we were deeply moved by the generosity shown. A heartfelt thank you to all the parents who donated so kindly-your support truly makes a difference.



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Laudato Si' Team

This week, our Laudato Si' team set the whole school a thoughtful challenge: to "find small ways to make a big difference" in caring for our common home. As part of this initiative, we are encouraging one another to be more mindful about recycling within our classrooms, supported by the help of our bin friends.



The Wednesday Word

Please see below this week's link to the 'Wednesday Word' leaflet. It is inspired by the coming Sunday's Gospel. It is designed in a family friendly way and has lots of fun and engaging activities for the children to complete. I encourage parents to engage with the resources, spending a very special 10 minutes together with your child each week.

The Wednesday Word Primary School Resource | Catholic Church

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Nursery

In Nursery, we have been learning how to form our letters independently.



Reception

We have been learning all about the Diwali festival. We have made Diya Lamps and Rangoli patterns with rice.



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Year One & Year Two

Year One and Two had the most amazing time at "*Imagine That!*" this week. They enjoyed exploring, creating and experimenting.





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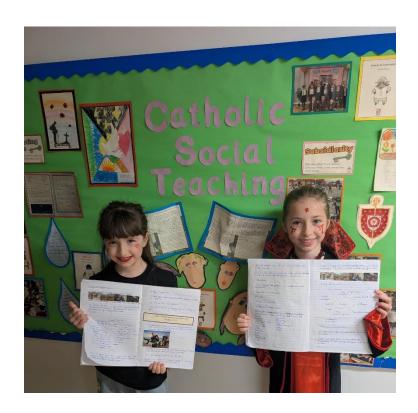
Year Three

This week we have been exploring 'Rights and Responsibilities', linking the right to food with Jesus' words in Matthew 25:40, reminding us to care for others as we would for Him.



Year Four

This week, Year Four have been learning about our rights and responsibilities towards refugees, guided by Jesus' words, "I was a stranger and you welcomed me" (Matthew 25:35). Their learning reflects our Catholic Social Teaching values of human dignity and solidarity.



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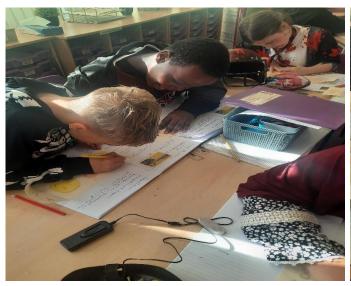
Year Five

Year Five have worked so hard to create felt mythical creature toys. They have used a range of sewing skills such as creating templates, cutting fabrics and used several different types for stitches.



Year Six

Year Six have been exploring the different stages of Forgiveness in RE this week. We discussed what it means to truly forgive someone or to be forgiven and show remorse.





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Forthcoming Events for November

Monday 3rd – Our first day back to school after the half-term break 8:50am

Monday 10th - 'Odd Sock Day' to mark Anti-Bullying Week.

Tuesday 11th- Remembrance Day.

Friday 21st -Final day for traditional Christmas lunch and Christmas Party lunch orders (*If you are already on school dinners, you do not need to pre-book. Packed lunch children only*).

Friday 21st – Year 3 Advent Assembly 9:15am (parents invited to watch).

Thursday 27th – Year 4 Advent Assembly 9:15am (parents invited to watch).

Friday 28th -INSET Day for staff. Children will not be in school on this day.

Sunday 30th – Advent begins.

Attendance

Year Four are our attendance winners this week! 96.3% Well done!

Reception	92.4%
Year 1	95.3%
Year 2	90.9%
Year 3	93.1%
Year 4	96.3%
Year 5	92.4%
Year 6	92.8%

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