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Friday 17th October 2025

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

Responding with Faith and Thanks

Give Thanks to the Lord - Luke 17:11-19



"Rise and go on your way; your faith has made you well." Luke 17:19

This week we have reflected upon responding to God with faith, and giving thanks for His mercy and His love for us. Last Sunday's Gospel reading demonstrates this clearly with the story of the cleansing of the ten lepers. The lepers, outcasts in their community, cried out to Jesus and had faith that He would respond. They were not disappointed. All ten were healed by Jesus. God loves us so much that He wants to give us all that we need. He encourages us to ask for what we need and put our faith and trust in Him.

Only one of the ten, the Samaritan, came back to thank Jesus. His response of thanks and praise to Jesus, shows his faith and his acknowledgement of Jesus as his Saviour.

We have looked at the many ways in which we give thanks. From an early age we are taught to say "thank-you" – to recognise that someone has gone out of their way to give us something or do something for us. Our thanks strengthens those relationships that bind us together, and it is the same with God. As we recognise the good things in our lives and in our world that come from God, so our faith is deepened and our bond with Him strengthened.

Parents' Evenings

A reminder that Parents' Evenings are as follows:

Monday 20th October 2025 ~ EYFS & KS1 (Nurs, Rec, Y1 & Y2) Parents' Evening

Tuesday 21st October 2025 ~ KS2 (Y3—Y6) Parents' Evening

If you have not already done so, please arrange an appointment with your child's class teacher as soon as possible.



Caritas Harvest Collection

A special word of thanks and appreciation for your generosity in supporting our Harvest Collection for the Caritas Foodbank and Homeless Charity. Your kind donations will be delivered to the Lalley Centre, Collyhurst on Tuesday morning. We recognise the importance of today and our Mission and call to help and support the most vulnerable in our society. Thank you once again.



Movie Nights

A reminder that our PTA Movie Nights are as follows:

Wednesday 22nd October 2025 ~ EYFS Movie Night 3.15—4.00 p.m.

Wednesday 22nd October 2025 ~ Years 3&4 Movie Night 3.15—4.30 p.m.

Thursday 23rd October 2025 ~ Years 1&2 Movie Night 3.15-4.00 p.m.

Thursday 23rd October 2025 ~ Years 5&6 Movie Night 3.15-4.30 p.m.

If you wish for your child to attend the movie night you must book and pay for a place on our school app, School Gateway, no later than Monday 20th October.

We cannot accept bookings after this date.



Re-arranged 4J Class Worship

Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to cancel today's Class Worship for 4J. Our apologies for the late notice and any inconvenience this may have caused. This will now take place next Friday 24th October at 2.45 p.m. in their classroom. We warmly welcome our families of the children in class 4J to come along. We look forward to seeing you there.



Cauliflower Cards Christmas Project

Your child was sent home with the information pack for them to submit their artwork / drawing for Cauliflower Cards yesterday. You will be able to order and purchase products including cards, cups, calendars etc. with your child's artwork / drawing printed on them. For more information please click on the following link <https://www.cauliflowercards.co.uk/christmas-products>

Please refer to the email we have sent with clear instructions for your child completing their artwork, as we do not have any spare copies to give out if a mistake is made.

We ask that all artwork is returned to your child's class teacher no later than next Wednesday 22nd October.



Poppy Appeal 2025

Items for the Poppy Appeal 2025 will be sold for a donation after school next week. All money donated will be for the Royal British Legion for all the incredible work they do in aid of our Armed Forces community. Thank you in advance for your support with this well deserved cause.





Nursery have been reading "Polar Bear Polar Bear", focusing on their sense of hearing. The children sat in the peace garden, read their story and then sat quietly listening ...



This week Reception have been learning about one more and one less. They have sang lots of songs to help them explore this ...



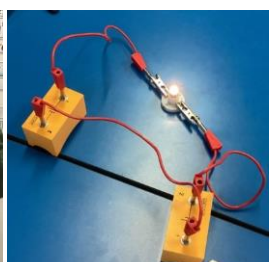
A huge well done to 1/2S for showing their information text 3/4D ...



4J had a great time doing their experiment in Science. They collected three different types of soil from around school and tested it to see which was the most permeable ...



6W enjoyed carrying out their own investigations in Science ...





Well done to this week's 'Stars of the Week' ...



Compassionate and Loving



Well done to all of our pupils who demonstrated our school virtues – 'compassionate and loving' this week ...





Congratulations to our Times Table Rock Stars and Numbots winners this week. Keep up the good work!



Congratulations to our "Rollama" SPAG winners this week! Keep up the excellent work!





4J are this week's class attendance winners with a fantastic 100% attendance!

Nur W 94.6%	Nur/RecW 91%	RecW 94%	1H 94.5%	1/2S 96.2%	2M 97.9%
3W 93.6%	3/4D 98.2%	4J 100%	5C 96.2%	5/6G 95.3%	6W 94.6%

Dates to remember

Monday 20th October 2025 ~ EYFS & KS1 (Nurs, Rec, Y1 & Y2) Parents' Evening

Monday 20th October 2025 ~ School Health Height & Weight Checks for Reception & Y6

Tuesday 21st October 2025 ~ KS2 (Y3—Y6) Parents' Evening Wednesday

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Friday 24th October 2025 ~ 4J Class Worship at 2.45 p.m. (Re-arranged)

Friday 24th October 2025 ~ Break up for half-term

Monday 3rd November 2025 ~ School closed for Teacher Training Day Tuesday

4th November 2025 ~ School re-opens after half-term

Tuesday 4th November 2025 ~ Individual and Sibling Photograph Day

Tuesday 4th—Wednesday 12th November 2025 ~ Year 5 Bikeability sessions

Wednesday 5th November 2025 ~ Boys' football at St Matthew's RC High School 3.30—5.00 p.m.

Thursday 18th December 2025 ~ Break up for Christmas holidays



Feast Day of St Margaret Mary

Yesterday, we celebrated the special Feast Day of St Margaret Mary. Margaret Mary of Alacoque was chosen by God to do his works on earth. She is known for her devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, with this forming a focus in her life upon entering the Visitation Convent and becoming a nun. Her devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and his suffering on the cross strengthened her Mission and her purpose.

This is a very special day in the calendar of the school. Her significance is of particular importance to us as a school community, given our past, our present and our futures. We find ourselves at St Margaret Mary's, linked to her legacy but remembering that we have ones of our own.

We have reflected on the life of St Margaret Mary and the themes of Mission, belonging, being saintly and how we can do good works in a variety of ways and places, in our school and in our communities.



St Margaret Mary, Pray for Us

Once again, thank you for your on-going support. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Take care and God Bless!

Mr Sutton

Headteacher