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Dear Children, Parents and Carers,



The Communion of Saints - All Saints and All Souls

On Sunday we celebrated the Feast of the Solemnity of All Saints. As we begin the month of November, this special feast day and the Feast of All Souls, reminds us that we are called to be holy and put God first in our lives, turning to the saints for help and using their lives as examples. Especially during this month, we remember all of the saints and pray to them for help and encouragement in our lives.

In school and assemblies today we have reflected upon the holy women and men who have gone before us and now live with God in Heaven. We prayed for 'All Souls and the faithful departed, remembering family, friends and those journeying to God in Heaven.

As we start this month of remembrance, we are reminded that God's plan is for us to live with Him forever as part of His family – the Communion of Saints.

School Photographs

Your child should have brought home the order information and QR code earlier this week, if you wish to order your child's school photograph. If you do not have this information please contact the school office.

Sacramental Programme

We have both emailed and sent a paper copy home of the First Holy Communion Sacramental Preparation information for children in Year 3. If you have any further queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact Father Andrew.



EYFS Open Evening

On Wednesday 12th November we will be holding our EYFS Open Evening from 3:30-5:30pm.

Please find time to come along to this and chat to our EYFS staff. Thank you.



After School Clubs

After School Clubs will start from Monday 10th November and run through to Thursday 11th December. We still have places available to book for Musical Theatre which is now open to Years 3 to 6 as well as places available for Year 5 & 6 Philosophy Club. If you wish for your child to attend either of these clubs please book a place for your child via the school app as soon as possible.



Pre-Loved Christmas Jumpers

In preparation for Christmas Jumper Day, we are asking for donations of any pre-loved Christmas jumpers that you no longer need. We understand that children grow out of them very quickly and are only worn for a short period of time. We are hoping that with enough donations we can hold a "Pre-Loved Christmas Jumper Sale." All monies donated with go to "Save The Children" charity.

Christmas Jumper

We ask that any Christmas jumpers are brought to the school office by Friday, 28th November. Thank you in advance.

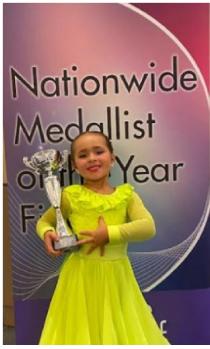
Save the Children

Dancing Superstars

It is always lovely to listen to good news and achievements from outside of school at our Friday assemblies, celebrating the interests and talents that our children have. Weekly pupils bring in medals, certificates and share special news with the school during these.

Today we share the wonderful achievements of Gracie-Mae and Gianna who took part in a National Dancing Competition just before half-term. Competing against children from across the country at Blackpool Ballroom, the girls finished 1st and 3rd respectively in their age-ranges for Latin and Ballroom Dancing. I am sure you will agree this a fantastic achievement that they and our school should be very proud of. Well done Gracie-Mae and Gianna!





Football Tournament

On Wednesday a number of our Year 5 and 6 boys represented our school at a football tournament held at St Matthew's. The boys won 3 out of their 4 games and showed fantastic sportsmanship with the other teams.

We are so proud of how well they worked together as a team and of their excellent performance. Thank you to everyone who came along to support our children.





EYFS have been loving our new space station role play area \dots



 $1/2\mbox{S}$ enjoyed creating woodland creatures using leaves and sticks in their art lesson ...



The children in Year 2 have been using counting beads to help them to partition 2-digit numbers ...



3/4D have written thoughtful prayers for peace ahead of Remembrance Day ...





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





Prophetic and Intentional



Well done to all of our pupils who demonstrated our school virtues – 'prophetic and intentional' 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 99.6% attendance!

Nur W	Nur/RecW	RecW 95%	1H	1/2S	2M
95.3%	95.9%		90.9%	98.2%	95.1%
3W	3/4D 97.3%	4J	5C	5/6G	6W
95.1%		99.6%	95.7%	97.9%	96%

Dates to remember

Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th November: Year 5 Bikeability sessions Wednesday

12th November: EYFS Open Evening 3.30 - 5.30 p.m.

Tuesday 18th November: Class 6W Class Assembly 9.00 a.m. in the school hall

Wednesday 19th November: Girls' football at Co-op Academy North 3.15 - 4.45 p.m.

Friday 21st November: Class 1/2S Collective Worship 2.45 p.m. in 1/2S classroom

Tuesday 25th November: Class 3W Class Assembly 9.00 a.m. in the school hall Friday

5th December: Class 1H Collective Worship 2.45 p.m. in 1H classroom

Christmas Performances & Events

Tuesday 9th December: 9.30 a.m. - 10.15 a.m. Nursery parents to watch EYFS Christmas Performance

Tuesday 9th December: 2.30 p.m. - 3.15 p.m. Reception parents to watch EYFS Christmas Performance

Thursday 11th December: 9.30 a.m. - 10.15 a.m. Year 1 parents to watch KS1 Christmas Performance

Thursday 11th December: 5.00 p.m. - 5.45 p.m. Year 2 parents to watch KS1 Christmas Performance

Friday 12th December: Christmas Jumper Day

Saturday 13th December: PTA "Breakfast with Santa"

Monday 15th December: EYFS & KS1 Christmas Disco 4.00 p.m. finish

Monday 15th December: Years 5 & 6 Christmas Disco 4.15 - 5.30 p.m.

Tuesday 16th December: Years 3 & 4 Christmas Disco 4.15 p.m. finish

KS2 Carol Concert: Date and time to be confirmed

Wednesday 17th December: Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 18th December: School closes for Christmas holidays at 1.00 p.m.

Monday 5th January 2026: School re-opens



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

Take care and God Bless!

Mr Sutton Headteacher

"Follow the saints, because those who follow them will become them."

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