

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Let us reflect on the words of Pope Francis

*Tonight before falling asleep
think about when we will return to the street.*

*When we hug again,
when all the shopping together will seem like a party.
Let's think about when the coffees will return to the bar,
the small talk, the photos close to each other.*

*We think about when it will be all a memory
but normalcy will seem an unexpected and beautiful gift.
We will love everything that has so far seemed futile to us.*

*Every second will be precious.
Swims at the sea, the sun until late,
sunsets, toasts, laughter.
We will go back to laughing together.*



Mothers' Day – Sunday 22nd March

*Loving God, we thank you for mothers – for all they mean
or have meant, for the love they have shown
and the care they have given.*

*We thank you for the qualities of mothers –
their patience, their kindness,
concern and understanding.*

*we thank you for the part they play in our lives,
and we thank you for this day of saying 'thank you',
this opportunity to say what we so often mean to say
but so rarely do.*

*For mothers and motherhood,
for children and families
we bring you this day our grateful praise.*

Amen



St Patrick's Day – Tuesday 17th March

Year 3 enjoyed performing their St Patrick's Day assembly to the school. Year 3 did a wonderful job reading, singing and dancing!

St. Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland.

The national emblem of Ireland is the Shamrock. Patrick used the three-leaved shamrock to explain how the Trinity of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit could exist as separate parts of the same being.

*May the wisdom of God instruct us.
May the hand of God protect us.
May the word of God direct us.*

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School Closure

As many of you already know, we have tried hard to continue to stay open for the benefit of our children and families. Recent changes to guidelines now state that all schools will close to most children at the end of Friday 20th March.

Your child will be bringing home a pack with some initial work. This will also be available on the year group page of the school website. On the year group page an additional weekly mini project/task will be uploaded for children to complete at home if they choose.

Children also have access to Times Tables Rockstars and Spelling Shed. They require their login to access these sites. Children in Year 1, 3 and 5 will be receiving their Spelling Shed Login over the next two days. If they are not in school it will be sent by text.

Parents with children in Reception, please login to Tapestry for activity ideas.

Please head to our website and check the News feed for up to date information.

Thank you for your continued support during this difficult time.

Book Fayre

I would like to say a big thankyou to the parents and children for making our book fair a great success. With the money raised, we are excited to replenish our school with some wonderful and interesting new books for the children to enjoy!

Miss Dillon

Liverpool ASD Training Team Q&A Event – Thursday 2nd April

This event has now been cancelled due to the Coronavirus pandemic and the need for social distancing. We will attempt to rearrange in the future.

Diary Dates

Mother's Day – Sunday 22nd March

Good Friday – Friday 10th April

Easter Sunday – Sunday 12th April

Easter Monday – Monday 13th April

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

We have had another wonderful week in Reception. This week we have started reading a new book called. 'Tom and the Island of Dinosaurs.' We have enjoyed reading this book together and have learnt story telling actions and language to retell the story. During Literacy we have been reading sentences from the story and drawing the corresponding pictures, we have also been making simple words and sentences from the story using magnetic boards and letters. In Maths this week we have continued to focus on subtraction. We have been focusing on visual/verbal word problems and have been using our mathematical language to discuss how to solve them. In busy time, this week, we have been taking part in many interesting activities such as; dinosaur-phonics writing challenges, subtraction cutting and sticking and making Mother's Day cards. In Phonics we have continued to learn new sounds and recap over the ones we already know. We have read red and green words and used our Fred fingers to help us decode words. In the outdoor area this week we have been scientists looking for remains of dinosaurs! We have also been digging in the sandpit, playing ball games and making dens. In RE we came together to recall our previous weeks learning about gathering. We gathered around our RE display to remember what we have learnt the last few weeks and discussed this with our friends. Well done everyone!

YEAR ONE:

This week we had a busy week of writing an innovated version of Jack and the Beanstalk. We had some fantastic ideas for what we would sell for some magic beans, what we would see at the top of the beanstalk and what magical items we would steal from the giant. We also completed different writing tasks related to traditional tales. In Maths we started our new work books! This week's work of counting in tens and ones was very tricky. We found it a little bit difficult to count on in ones after counting in tens. In Geography we learned about the history of the Union Jack flag. We were surprised that Wales was not considered when the flag was created. Most of all we enjoyed creating our beautiful Mother's Day cards and writing wonderful messages inside. We hope that you love them too!

YEAR TWO:

Year 2 have had a busy final week of term. We have completed some 'show what you know' quizzes and continued to highlight information in texts to answer comprehension questions. In Maths we have explored what polygons are and now know how to identify lines of symmetry in shapes. We have also been doing some arts and crafts for a very special day on Sunday. We hope all Mums and Carers have a fantastic Mother's Day. Finally, the Year 2 teaching team would like to congratulate our Year 2 children for all learning they have so willingly been a part of this school year. We are so proud of the children and are absolutely amazed by the super progress they have made since September.

YEAR THREE:

Year 3 started the week in a very pleasant way, when we performed our St Patrick's Day assembly for the rest of the school. All the children were fantastic in their various roles and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. In Geography, the focus was volcano formation, with particular emphasis on the Earth's structure; whilst in English, the children used their imagination to write their own adventure story from a short film clip stimulus. The Year 3 team look forward to communicating with the children in the coming weeks, in order to offer further learning opportunities.

YEAR FOUR:

This week, in History, the children researched Harriet Tubman and used online word processing to present their findings.

In RE, we held a class discussion on the importance of saying 'sorry' and 'confessing', especially at the beginning of mass.

In Maths, Year 4 have used their prior knowledge of fractions to help them write decimals. After some discussion, the children realised that there is a huge difference between 'tens' and 'tenths'.

After finishing 'Melvin McGee - Zombie Hunter', the children were really eager to plan and write their own zombie-inspired story, in English. We have been really impressed with the quality of their writing!

YEAR 5:

This week in Year 5 we have finished our topic on percentages and written our own novels with a theme based on our class book, Mortimer Keene and the Attack of the Slime. In History, we learned about the Islamic Golden Age and the Abbasid Caliphate. In Science lessons we explored how night and day occurs in different places across the world. We had fun looking at time zones and working out in which countries it will be sunrise, sunset and midnight when it is midday in the UK.

YEAR SIX:

Year 6 have had an interesting week where we looked at the continents, tropics and climate zones in detail and how the Coronavirus spread across the continents. We have asked really sensible questions and have remembered what we do if something in the news upsets us. We used the laptops to look at a range of websites that will help us continue to learn over the forthcoming weeks ahead and we ended the week with games outside remembering that exercise is an important way of staying physically and mentally healthy.

Youth.com is for boys and girls Y3 and above. The group meets every Monday during term time from 6.15pm to 7.15pm in the John Vianney room at Christ the King Church. We offer lots of activities in a caring and fun environment.

KEEP IN TOUCH...

Download our school app from the App Store or Google Play. Please provide the school office with your email to allow us to invite you to use our app. Receive our weekly newsletter every Friday and keep up to date on events, term dates and much more!

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