

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Santa Dash 2021

Our annual Santa Dash was a huge success today, thank you all so much for sponsoring your children and for your generous donations. Please visit Google Classroom and EYFS Tapestry for some great photos and videos of the event!

We will reveal the total amount raised next week.

Every single penny will be spent on your children ensuring they receive a rich and enjoyable experience at school.

*May you be blessed by the Lord
with the same warmth and joy you have given.*

Thank you!

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Christmas Dinner

We are excited to announce that we will be offering all children from EYFS to Y6 a Christmas dinner on Thursday 16th December! The meal will include a Christmas ice-cream.

Every child is very welcome to stay on that day, even if they normally have a packed lunch. Children who normally have a school dinner will automatically have a Christmas dinner. Children in Y3-Y6, or if your child is normally packed lunch but would like a Christmas dinner, please pay £1.60 via your Parent Pay account. (Please note that no alternative will be offered on this date). Merry Christmas Dinner!!

ReAction Group Christmas Appeal

We would like to remember the Homeless at Christmas and want to support the work of the Whitechapel Centre.

If you are able, could you please donate either a tin of baked beans, tuna fish or dried pasta on Friday 17th December.

Thank you for your support.

EYFS 21/22 Applications

For your information, from Wednesday 1st September the Reception Class admissions application windows opened. Parents can now apply online.

Reception Class – apply for your child's place from Wednesday 1st September. Closing date for on-line applications is Saturday 15th January 2022 – St. Paschal Baylon school form must also be completed – please ask at the school office or download from the school website.

All literature directs parents to apply online. Please note that children who are **not** Liverpool Local Authority residents must apply to their home local authority as per the local co-ordinated admissions arrangements.

If you need support with your application please contact school office.

The Admissions Team.

Mrs Dillon

Mrs Leahey

Mrs E Andrew

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Reminder – Dogs on School Premises

Can we remind parents that dogs are not allowed within the school grounds.

Diary Dates

Y4 Reconciliation – Monday 13th December

Y5 Mass (children only) – Monday 13th December

Christmas Dinner Day – Thursday 16th December

School closes for Christmas Break – Tuesday 21st December @ 1.30pm

INSET Day – Wednesday 22nd December 2021

Children return to school – Wednesday 5th January 2022

Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 01.11.21 for 7 weeks	Y1	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday	LLS Multisports From 14.09.21 for 12 weeks	Y1 & Y2	3pm – 4pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 03.11.21 for 7 weeks	Y3	7.50am–8.30am
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 03.11.21 for 7 weeks	Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Thursday	LLS Multisports From 16.09.21 for 12 weeks	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 05.11.21 for 7 weeks	EYFS	3.10pm–4.10pm

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General/Important Information

School Nurse

Parents/carers can now ring the School Nurse directly, anytime, to make an appointment or discuss any issues/concerns you may have regarding your child.

Please call: 0151 295 9700

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

This week the children have enjoyed starting all our Christmas activities. They have been very busy practicing for our nativity show, and have worked so hard on their lines and singing, we are so proud of them! In busy time the children have written and posted some fantastic letters to Father Christmas, so keep a look out in case he sends a reply to our letters! We have also been decorating our Christmas cards, wrapping up some pretend presents and practicing our cutting and sticking skills, so it has been a busy week! In Maths we have been revisiting all our learning from this term and have been impressed with the progress the children have all made, so well done! In RE we have continued learning about advent, and have decorated our own advent wreath. Thank you for all who sent in your donations for the Santa dash, we loved seeing everyone in their Christmas clothes and the children enjoyed their day! Have a great week, from the EYFS team.

YEAR ONE:

This week in RE, we learned about the Advent wreath and the meaning of each candle. We learned that the wreath is circle shape, with no beginning and no end, as a sign of God's everlasting love. Then, we enjoyed learning all about the Christmas story and we created a story board to retell the story. We understand that Christmas is not just about receiving presents, but is about remembering how special Jesus is.

We have had a busy week of Maths! We have continued to explore numbers to 20, ordering and comparing using language such as 'more, fewer, smallest and greatest'. We also completed some number patterns that Buddy the elf had created for us!

In DT we have been completing our design brief in preparation to make our Christmas cards. We can't wait to make them!

The best part of our week was Santa Dash day! We thoroughly enjoyed running the Santa Dash and had a great day doing lots of fun and festive activities.

YEAR TWO:

We are really getting into the Christmas Spirit in Year 2. This week marked the second week of Advent, we gathered together with the whole school over Zoom to light the candle of peace and think about how we can bring peace to our lives and the lives of others. In English, we have been looking at different instruction texts and how we can identify this genre from others. We have highlighted the features and ordered a range of instructions. Throughout the week, we have been singing and rehearsing our lines for our Christmas Collective worship. We will be filming this next week and look forward to sharing it with you all. On Thursday, we received a letter from Dr Bennet, a local dentist. We were given the task of investigating the sugar content in breakfast cereals. There were some surprises along the way, but we now know what to look out for to maintain a healthy and balanced diet.

YEAR THREE:

This week in Year 3, we have been focusing on the topic of 'Advent' within RE, in which the children have explored the *Annunciation* and *Visitation*, before the birth of Jesus. Within English lessons, the children have been exploring comprehension techniques, in order to consolidate their understanding of answering questions on a text. A new focus was started in maths- length. So far, the children have converted centimetres into metres and centimetres, and metres into kilometres and metres. Towards the end of the week, it began to look a lot like Christmas, as the children completed some brilliant cards based on the Three Wise Men, alongside many other Christmas themed activities!

YEAR FOUR:

This week, we welcomed Father Colin into our classrooms in order to prepare many of the children for their forthcoming reconciliation. Year 4 were all extremely sensible, and they are now ready to undertake this important sacrament.

In English, Year 4 have been writing their own newspaper reports all about the antics of the Year 4 elf! They were all engrossed in this writing task, and it is obvious that there are some budding journalists in this year group!

In Maths, we have continued to use a variety of methods to answer multiplication and division questions. We really hope the children continue to use Times Table Rock Stars to improve their knowledge of times table and division facts!

On Friday, along with the rest of the school, Year 4 dashed around the school grounds in their wonderful, festive outfits. What a fantastic way to end a busy week!

YEAR FIVE:

This week in RE, Year 5 learned how Jesus belonged to the family of King David and we revisited the stories of the Annunciation and the Visitation. We described how she felt to be chosen to be the mother of Jesus and how her loyalty and faithfulness to God gave her the strength and courage to say yes to him. We had great fun in Science with some chemical reactions! We mixed milk and vinegar to make plastic – it was pretty smelly but we were able to mould the plastic into buttons, spoons and a snowman! We also mixed vinegar with bicarbonate of soda and which frothed and created carbon dioxide and inflated a balloon! In Geography we learned about the different climate zones around the world and which countries are in each. In English lessons we wrote letters to Mr Brownlow from the point of view of Oliver Twist. We also acted out scenes using play scripts and did freeze frames to show what different characters felt and thought at a particular point in the story. We also began our D&T project this week, looking at different ideas from around the world for breakfast burritos! We can't wait to make them and eat them next week!

YEAR SIX:

This week in maths, we looked at decimals and in particular where we use them and how to multiply them. Comparing poems was a theme in this week's English where we had fun studying Bob Dylan's 'Blowin' in the Wind' and Simon and Garfunkel's 'I am an Island.' We studied the powerful metaphors, alliteration and careful word choices that really speak to the hearts of the readers. In Science, we looked at how Isaac Newton proved that colours are all to do with the object absorbing the colours of light and reflecting the colour that is portrayed. In R.E. we looked at the signposts of Advent and included everything that we do leading up to Christmas Day. To end the week, we had a great laugh taking part in the Santa Dash dressed very festive indeed!

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