

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



*God of light and hope,
Look upon us in love and fill us with the spirit of Jesus,
Protect us as we await the coming of our Lord,
Jesus Christ, who is the light of the world.*

Amen

17.12.21

Santa Dash



So far we've raised an amazing £2881! Thank you once again to all our SPB families for your generous donations. All money raised will be spent on your children ensuring they receive a rich and enjoyable experience at school. Please head to Google Classroom and Tapestry (EYFS) for photographs and videos of the event and other Christmas activities!

Christmas Dinner

On Thursday the children enjoyed a wonderful Christmas dinner. A big thank you to Chef, the kitchen team and all staff who helped make it possible!

ReAction Group Christmas Appeal

A huge thankyou to all who donated tins of beans, tuna and pasta to our Christmas Appeal in support of the Whitechapel Centre.

The Whitechapel Centre is a local, independent charity who work to prevent and resolve homelessness, social exclusion and housing poverty by providing practical, realistic, tailored support so that each person can find a route out of homelessness, maintain a home and achieve their individual potential.

Thank you so much for supporting this very worthy charity.

Diary Dates

Christmas Party Day (Own Clothes) – Monday 20th 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

17.12.21

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

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

Reminder – Dogs on School Premises

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

Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 10.01.22 for 6 weeks	Y1	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday	LLS Multisports From 11.01.22 for 12 weeks	Y1 & Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 11.01.22 for 6 weeks	Y5 & Y6	7.50am-8.30am
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 05.01.22 for 7 weeks	Y3 & Y4	7.50am-8.30am
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 05.01.22 for 7 weeks	Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Thursday	LLS Multisports From 06.01.22 for 12 weeks	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 07.01.22 for 6 weeks	EYFS	3.10pm-4.10pm

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

Wow what a busy week we have all had practicing and filming our nativity! The children all worked so hard and did a fantastic job, and we really look forward to sending out the videos of our special performances! We have also been working hard during busy time, completing lots of Christmas activities. The children have been cutting out and decorating some Christmas trees, and labelling pictures of Father Christmas and Bud the Elf. In Maths this week we have been learning about pattern and consolidated this learning by making our own Christmas patterns, using stamps and pictures. In our RE lessons we have continued our learning about advent and we have written a special birthday prayer to Jesus and have learnt all about the nativity story. We finished off the week cutting and sequencing pictures to retell the story. The children had lots of fun on Thursday having their Christmas dinner in school, singing along with the festive music. Remember, it's Christmas party day on Monday and children can come in wearing their Christmas clothes! Tuesday is normal uniform, and we finish at 1.30pm. Have a fantastic weekend, from the EYFS team.

YEAR ONE:

Year One have had a very festive, creative week in school!

In RE, we thought about people who may need love and Christmas cheer this year. We talked about how there are children who have no homes or families to share Christmas with. We also talked about how thankful we are for people who help us such as priests, charities and doctors. Then, we wrote a Christmas card to them with a message to show them that they are loved.

In DT, we enjoyed designing and making our Christmas cards. We are sure that you all will love them!

As a special treat from Buddy the elf, we decorated ginger bread men with icing and sprinkles. Also, we made cute reindeer hats which we will wear to our party on Monday. On Thursday, we enjoyed our Christmas dinner! We loved celebrating this special time with all of our friends.

YEAR TWO:

What a fantastically festive week for Year 2. We have been working really hard on our final preparations for our Christmas video. We sang our hearts out, retold a very special story and even had some time for acting. In English, we have written a set of instructions for our snowman biscuits we made on Monday. We enjoyed decorating (and sampling) the ingredients along the way! In Science we got the chance to write a letter to the dentist explaining our findings from our investigation. Finally, in R.E we have been thinking about the importance of preparation during the advent season. We looked at how Isaiah the prophet played a significant role in the Bible before the birth of Jesus and linked our prior knowledge to more specific details of the Nativity story.

YEAR THREE:

Advent has been a feature in Year 3 over the last few weeks, both in our daily (giant) advent calendar around the class whiteboards and in our R.E. lessons, where the children have been learning about the wait for the Messiah through scripture from Isaiah (the staff of Year 3 also get the impression that the children are waiting in joyful hope for someone else to arrive – we wonder who?). The highlight of the week, I'm sure the children would agree, has been the planning, preparation, creating and eating of a healthy wrap, which has been Year 3's Autumn term design and technology project. We have also been busy in science, where the children set up pattern seeking investigations with a focus on the human skeleton. And we need to mention the lovely Christmas dinner, which was enjoyed by many of the children on Thursday – a big thanks to all the lunch staff from Year 3!

YEAR FOUR:

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in Year 4 this week!

On Thursday, pupils and staff were treated to a Christmas meal in our decorated classrooms. Prior to the dinner, pupils created their own Christmas place mats for the meal. The class looked great and it was a lovely opportunity for the class to enjoy some festive cheer together with a delicious feast.

We concluded our English topic on newspaper reports by creating an independent piece of writing about a mischievous elf. The classes came up with excellent ideas (many inspired by their own experiences) for news worthy reports.

In R.E, the pupils learnt about the story of the wise men tricking King Herod in order to protect Jesus. Then they created their own nativity scene and added what the different people in the Bethlehem barn would have been thinking at the time of Jesus' birth.

We look forward to continuing our build to the end of the term and Christmas: children will be taking part in a Christmas party afternoon and a range of festive activities next week.

YEAR FIVE:

Year 5 have had another very productive week. The children have been working hard across a number of assessments: Reading, Maths Reasoning, Arithmetic, RE, Science and Geography. We were so impressed with what they could remember about the seven continents, five oceans, time zones and climates of our world. On Monday, the children took part in a lovely mass, celebrating their first Holy Communion and we would like to take this opportunity to thank Father Colin, Miss Nolan, Mrs Kelly, Mr Flood and Miss Kavanagh for sharing this special occasion with us. After a very busy week, we are looking forward to a two day week before we finish for Christmas.

YEAR SIX:

This week Year 6 have finished their English topic on poetry. We completed our final piece which was to write our own version of the song 'What a Wonderful World' by Louis Armstrong. We had some wonderful alternatives such as 'What a Magical World, What a Christmassy World and even What an Upside Down World!'. In Maths, we have been working on some challenging objectives involving decimals. We have been dividing and multiplying decimals by two digit numbers using a range of methods and have really impressed our teachers with how well we have grasped various concepts during this topic. In Science, we used our shadow puppets to perform our shadow puppet shows to the class using torches, black card and white paper. We also really enjoyed our Christmas Dinner on Thursday and would like to thank all of the staff involved for cooking and arranging this for us. We are looking forward to Christmas Party afternoon on Monday!

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