Monday 5th February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Today you will receive a letter outlining important information regarding the recent outbreak of measles and the MMR vaccination. The MMR vaccine is a free, safe and effective way to protect against measles, mumps and rubella.

If you are unsure about your child's vaccination status, or if you need to book a vaccine, you should contact your GP practice to check and book an appointment. There is no upper age limit for vaccination.

## Tempest Photographs

On Tuesday morning the photographer will be in school to take individual and family group photographs. Please ensure your child is in full school uniform.

## Gallery and Museum Visit

We are all looking forward to our visit to the Art Gallery and World Museum on Friday. We will have an early lunch ready to leave school at 11.30 am . We anticipate our return to school to be approximately 3.30 pm .

## Zumbathon

On Friday evening there will be a Charity Zumbathon held in St. Luke's school hall. The event begins at 5.30 pm , further details in the Newsletter.

Best wishes

Eileen Murtagh

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 6th February-Tempest photographs (individual portraits)

Friday 9th February—whole school trip to gallery and museum

## Attendance

Overall Attendance this week 97.1\%.

Across the school, $\mathbf{7}$ minutes of learning time was lost this week through late arrivals.
Don't underestimate the importance of $100 \%$ attendance. Even one day missed can have an effect on learning.

98\% attendance means 4 school days missed 95\% attendance means 10 school days missed 90\% attendance means 19 school days missed

| Lower than $90 \%$ <br> Attendance | 90-95\% Attendance | 96-100\% <br> Attendance |
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| Class 1 | Class 3 <br> Class 5 | Reception <br> Class 1 <br> Class 2 <br> Class 4 <br> Class 6 | 80\% attendance means 38 school days missed 5 minutes late each day means $\mathbf{3}$ school days missed

Please be aware that requests for children to take holidays during term time will be classed as an unauthorised absence.

Please be aware that unauthorised absences that exceed 5 school days during term time will receive a fixed penalty notice (FPN).

## Pre-school

Would you be interested in a preschool place at St Luke's Catholic Primary School?
Complete this survey to register interest.
https://forms.gle/h5DNjrJrU4h1N5DN6

## Zumbathon

Don't miss the Zumbathon this week!


## Cherry Class

In English we have been writing a recount of the mouse's journey to the top of the rock. The children are working very hard with their handwriting and spelling tricky words.

In maths year 1 have been learning about number bonds to 20 and solving different types of problems. Reception have been learning about number bonds to 5 and finding different ways to make 5 .

In Geography year 1 have been learning all about the capital of Northern Ireland, Belfast. We found out interesting facts and some human and physical features of the area. Reception have been learning about places in Frodsham, sketching places from pictures and creating their own 3D map.

In Science, year 1 have been carrying out an experiment of the senses! We have made predictions about different things we could smell, taste and feel. Our least favourite thing to taste was baby food! Reception have been learning about life cycles of animals and matching different eggs, babies and adults.


## Elm Class

In Elm class this week we have been very busy! In English, we have continued to read 'The Dragon Machine' and have created our own characters to go in the story. In Maths, we have been learning more about money, finding how to make $£ 1$ and how to find the correct change!

In science this week we did more work on matching up animals to the correct habitats, thinking about why some animals must live in really specific habitats, like a polar bear in the artic! We also learned about the 5 oceans of the world in Geography, we even learned a fun song!

In Re this week we have looked at the stories of 'Jesus feeding the 5000' and 'Jesus healing a paralysed man', and the children have written an eye-witness account imagining they were there!


## Yew Class

Another busy week in Yew Class. On Wednesday, in art we explored creating different tints and tones. We created different tones of a base colour by gradually adding grey paint. We created different tints by gradually adding white paint to our base colour. The children had lots of fun experimenting.

In Year 3 we have finished multiplication and division in maths and have now moved on to length. We used metre sticks to measure objects around the classroom in metres.

In English, we have been exploring ambitious vocabulary to describe the eruption of Mount Vesuvius to help us with our hot task. We considered what our characters, Tranio and Livia could see, hear, smell, touch during the eruption.


## Cypress Class

We have had another wonderful week in Cypress Tree Class. We are thoroughly enjoying our English text, The Selfish Giant, and it has been our inspiration to write a range of different genres for writing this week. We have been working on developing our sentence structures by using relative clauses and focusing on the correct use of semicolons.

In our personal development lesson this week, we discussed what it means to be under pressure and explored the difference between good pressures and bad pressures that can occur in everyday life. There were lots of good examples and thoughtful contributions to the discussion with good suggestions on strategies that could be used if you feel under pressure.

Our art lesson this week focused on exploring the different techniques that could be created using watercolours. We explored what happens to the pigmentation when more water is added and experimented with how wet paper and dry paper can change the overall effect.


## Award winners

Well done to this week's award winners... Please note we can only invite parents/carers of headteacher and subject award winners

Headteacher Awards


## Subject Awards



Pride Awards


