



*Following in the footsteps of Jesus, we learn, love and laugh together*

Friday 10th May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to everyone who has sent in sponsor money for the sponsored litter pick. When speaking to one of our younger pupils yesterday they said that “we are helping the environment when we pick up litter”. It is good to see it has had a lasting impact.

On Thursday, we joined together with our parish family to celebrate the Feast of the Ascension. It was a beautiful day for our walk down to church. All the children were well behaved, and as always, we are very proud of them.

Traditionally, May is the month of Mary, when we give devotion to Mary, Jesus’ Mother. Today we had a beautiful assembly to honour of Our Lady. The children led in the liturgy of the word and flowers were placed before the statue of Mary.

We ask you to remember in your prayers all who are taking tests or exams at this moment in time. Next week, the pupils in year six will be completing their SAT’s, they have all worked extremely hard and should be very proud of themselves. Thank you to those parents who have organized the pre- SAT’s breakfast, this is always a positive start to the day, we appreciate your support.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable weekend, hopefully the sun will continue to shine.

Yours sincerely

Eileen Murtagh

## Dinner money

Currently the cost of a school dinner is £2.95, as you know this is paid through parent pay. This is a gentle reminder for you to regularly check your accounts and make sure that balances are paid off in full.

## Lion Cubs

The Lion Cubs enjoyed playing and exploring this week! Please note, Lion Clubs will not be open on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May due to Year 6 SATs testing.

## Little Church

Come and join us at Little Church on Saturday 11th May during 6pm mass.

## Dates for your diary

Tuesday 21st May—Class 3 and 4 trip to The Jewish Museum

## Attendance

Overall Attendance this week **97.9%**.

Across the school, **2 hours and 5 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  
**80%** attendance means **38** school days missed  
**5** minutes late each day means **3** school days missed

Lower than 90% Attendance	90-95% Attendance Class 4	96-100% Attendance Reception Class 1 Class 2 Class 3 Class 5 Class 6
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**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).**



# St Luke's Catholic Primary School

## SUMMER FAIR

★ Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024 ★  
3:20pm-5:30pm



**Lots of fun for all!**

- BBQ
- Refreshments
- Cakes
- Games
- Tombola

**...and much more!**

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St Luke's Catholic  
Primary School  
The Willows  
Frodsham

★ FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY ★

## Cherry Class

In English we have started our new story - Toys In Space. We have been asking questions and writing conversations between the characters.

Reception have been creating number stories to 10 and representing them on a tens frame. Year 1 have continued with the multiplication unit and have been creating and recognising equal groups.

We have enjoyed visiting our library and the Reading Castle this week and getting cosy with a book.

In Science we have been studying features of plants and we looked at a few wild flowers that we found in our school grounds. We then carefully created an observational drawing and labelled the main parts of the flower.

We have started to learn about China in Geography and have found out some interesting facts. We have located China on a world map and identified that China is in Asia.

We enjoyed our visit to church this week to celebrate the Ascension of Jesus. We have been talking about how the disciples might have felt and discussed any big surprises we have had in our lives and how they made us feel.





## Elm Class

Year 2 have been working very hard this week. In Maths, they have been looking at mass and capacity, working on comparing if things are heavier or lighter and they are doing a great job!

In English, Year 2 have been learning all about homophones, how words sound the same but mean different things and are spelt differently.

In Science this week, Year 2 have planted their own petunia seeds and are watering them daily, waiting to observe as they grow.

In History, Year 2 have made fantastic fact files about the early life of Christopher Columbus, making sure they include significant dates.

It was another successful week in arts and crafts club! The children made wonderful mini windmills; they look great!



## Yew Class

In science we have been continuing our topic on electricity. This week we have been looking at circuits. We were given components of a circuit and were asked to connect all the parts together without any instructions. A few of us managed to light our bulbs on the first try! We then discussed that an electrical circuit is the flow of electricity. We were introduced to the components of the circuit; wires, a bulb and a cell. We then observed what happened to the bulb when the circuit was completed correctly. We drew a diagram and wrote an explanation in our science books.

In history, we started our topic on William the Conqueror. We labelled a timeline of significant historical events during his reign. We also discussed that throughout our topic we are going to use primary and secondary sources. We organised our sources into the two categories and discussed the advantages and disadvantages of both. Year 4s also considered the impact of bias in primary and secondary sources.

In English we have enjoyed learning about the rainforest for our non-chronological report. We discussed the use of precise vocabulary, facts and formal language. We researched threats to the rainforests on the ipads and created posters in our groups which we all presented to the class.





## Cypress Class

We have really enjoyed the long awaited arrival of some sunnier weather in Cypress Tree Class this week and couldn't wait to get outside to complete our science investigation. Linking with our topic of light, we explored the change in shadows throughout the day and measured at every hour to see how they moved/ changed. Despite one occasion (where the sun decided to hide behind to clouds for a couple of minutes), we were able to measure our shadows really easily thanks to the beautiful sunshine. Next week, we are going to be presenting our data using charts and graphs.

In our English lessons this week, we have been focusing on using different grammatical features to improve our writing and wrote excellent setting descriptions based on an animated video clip called 'Treasure'.

There has been a lot of excitement and enthusiasm within class this week as we introduced a new way to complete our SPaG starters after lunch. Using the 'Play Live' activity on Rollama, the class have enjoyed working through the activities set to improve their knowledge of punctuation and grammar - and it is already helping to improve their writing, too!





## 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

