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NEWSLETTER



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Newsletter No 3

Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Message

A wonderful week here at St Wilfrid's despite the torrential rain! Walking around the corridors and classrooms and being outside at lunchtimes and playtimes, we are seeing a calm, positive, environment where children are Ready, Respectful and Safe and where are children are showing that they are happy. What a super way to start the year!

On Wednesday morning, we held a coffee morning to which we welcomed parents, and also guests from the local community—what a great way to catch up and have five minutes peace from our hectic lives. Watch this space for our next coffee morning—or maybe an 'Afternoon tea?' Let us know if you have any thoughts. Thank you to Mrs Matthews for taking a lead role in this, serving up our refreshments and getting into school exceptionally early to switch on the hot water urn.

Next Wednesday, we look forward to Year 5 leading Mass. You are MOST welcome to join us at 9:15 am.







In what lessons did you feel clojer to Jesus?













Schools of Sanctuary



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Catholic Life and Mission



The God who Speaks This week, in Gospel Liturgy, we reflected upon the Parable of the Forgiving King'. We spoke about God's forgiveness for those who come to him.

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?"

Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times".

Healthy Schools

MINI MISSION

This week we asked our children to think about how they respond to those who need our forgiveness and give them that fresh start.

Catholic Schools P	Pupil Profile : Values and Virtues	Virtues of the Half Term
Infants	Juniors	attentive
Samantha (2G)	Abubakr (3G)	faith-filled generous grateful eloquent discerning intentional compassionate
Cathol	ic Social Teachings	ath
This half term, we will be being		(6)
Stewards of Creation We are reflecting on the wonder and beauty of God's Creation and reminding ourselves of our mission, set by God, to care for the world.		This half term, we are Grateful and Generous This week Mrs Galvin and her childre led a liturgy considering how gratefu they are for God's creation and how they could be generous with their tim in caring for this wonderful gift.
This week, Reception bird feeders to care	on have been making for God's creatures.	



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Dates for your Diary

Teacher Days for Academic year 2023-24

Monday 4th September 2023 Friday 29th September 2023 Friday 27th October 2023 Monday 19th February 2024 Monday 22nd July 2024

Date	Event (more dates will be added as fi- nalised, so please continue to check)
27th September	Year 4—Adopt a School Cooking Session 1 REARRANGED DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUM- STANCES WITH THE PROVIDER> THIS HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED
4th October	Parent Workshop—Speech and Language—school hall
6th October	Flu Vaccinations -Rec to Y6
12th October	St Wilfrid's Feast Day Celebration
WC 23rd Octo- ber	Parent Consultations. Dates TBC
27th October	INSET day—children finish for half term on 26th October
6th November	Back to School





Over the next few weeks, each year group will hold a 'Meet the Teachers' meetings - these will take place in the hall and then you will be invited to see your child's classroom

Date	Event
Thursday 14th Sept	Year 6
Tuesday 26th Sept	Year 5
Monday 2nd Oct	Year 4
Thursday 28th Sept	Year 3
Tuesday 26th Sept	Year 2
Tues 19th Sept	Year 1
Tuesday 3rd Oct	Reception















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YOU SAID, WE DID!

We have the chance in our newsletter to focus on an area of school life which has been spoken about by pupils, staff and/ or parents and in which we have been able to make adaptations for the benefit of the children.

This week, we focus on LUNCHTIMES!

This week 'the children said and we did' ... we have made changes to our school day to shorten our lunchtime to 45 minutes .

Children were frustrated by the lack of space on the playground to allow them to play freely and with enough equipment ...so we made the change. We also bought some more playground activities and we plan to purchase some more as soon as we have finished our pupil survey.

The current system means that we are able to -

- 1. Allow children the space to play more freely
- 2. Allow older children and younger children to play separately in a well resourced large playground
- 3. Enable our wonderful lunchtime staff to play with the children more effectively, as there are fewer children out there and more resources available for fewer children. We have lots of great equipment for children, but we have listened to the views of the children and even added to this. Ask them what they busied themselves with today!

Staff said

- Every child was playing so nicely!
- It's so lovely to see the dinner supervisors having time to play with the children! I watched one group play hoopla!

Children said

- It's a lot more fun!
- More interesting and lots more to play with!

















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Awards

Each week, our children will be awarded certificates/trophies in Celebration Assembly .

This is a celebration of their God given talents and skills!



Please send int any awards they have achieved outside of school.

Class	Name/s
Nurs	New starters this week
RDG	Eliana
RBB	Abdul
1DS	Reuben
1P	Favour
2 <i>G</i>	Whole class
2M	Amna
3 <i>G</i>	Kayla
3CM	Wellington
4C	Dawood
45	Hermela
5B	Cameron
5P	Camilla
6G	Mayla
6W	Daniel
Wise Owl	Dawid (1DS)
Music	У2
Sport	Tag Rugby players
Lunchtime	Zaydan (RDG), 5P





















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Attendance

This year we have simplified our attendance awards, but the message is the same...

You have to be in to win!

<u>Weekly</u>

The class who have the best attendance above 96%

wins

Free Choice Friday at morning playtime the following week.

Classes have decided what their Free Choice Friday treat will be ready for when they win!

Termly

Pupils will get a certificate it they achieve 96% and above attendance

One term of 96% bronze certificate Two terms of 96% silver certificate Three terms of 96% gold certificate

If class teachers are concerned about your child's attendance they will speak to you in the first instance and work with you to put something in place to improve this

Please note that holidays in term time will NOT be authorised.

OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 96%. This week we have achieved 94.2%

Class	%	
RBB	95.2%	
RDG	97.4%	
1DS	92.4%	
1P	93.1%	
2G	95%	
2M	91.8%	
3CM	93.5%	
3G	89.5%	
4 <i>C</i>	96.2%	
45	95.8%	
5P	97%	
5B	99.1%	
6G	88.6%	
6W	97%	

The class winning Free Choice Friday this week is ...

5B











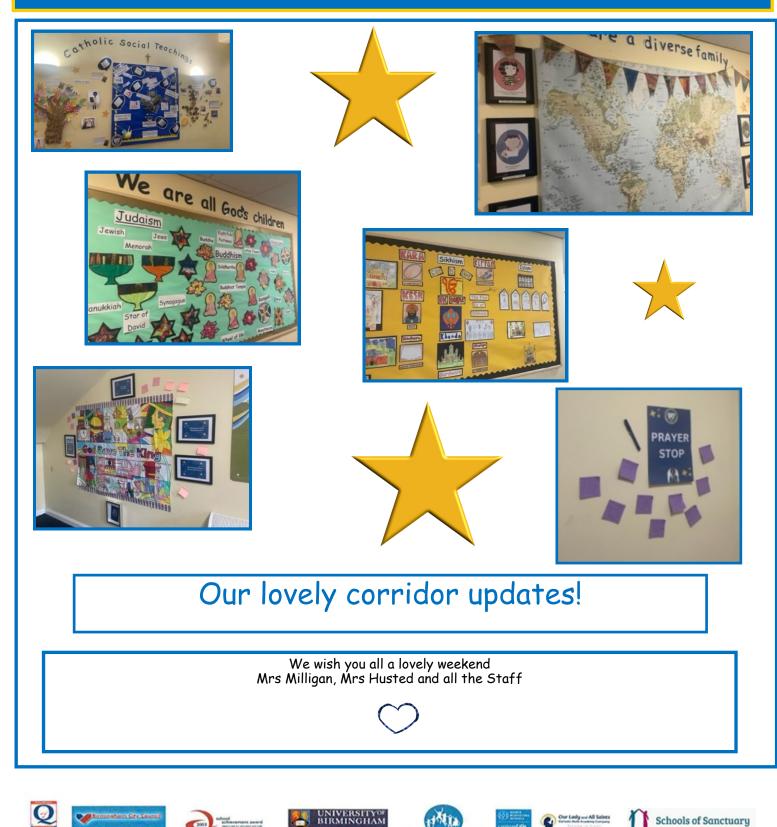




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Sneak peek!



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