



„Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself“

20th January 2023

Message from Mrs Procter



You will have seen on the news that members of the National Education Union (NEU) have voted to take strike action and dates have been listed for this action. For our area these are:

Wednesday February 1st
Tuesday February 28th
Wednesday March 15th and
Thursday March 16th

Not all teachers are in the NEU as there are a number of different teacher unions, but it does have a large membership. At the moment, I am assessing the impact this may have on our school. I will inform parents of this at the earliest opportunity as you may need to put arrangements in place for childcare on these days. Whilst as a school we regret any inconvenience this may cause, we must respect that members of any professional association/union have the right to take this action following a legal ballot.

There is also the potential for strikes to be called off subject to further talks or negotiations.

I will update you further as soon as possible.

Scarlet fever and Strep A

We have had a few confirmed cases of Strep A within school- although I am very pleased to report nobody is too poorly. Scarlet fever is caused by bacteria called group A streptococci. These bacteria also cause other respiratory and skin infections such as strep throat and impetigo.

Scarlet fever is usually a mild illness, but it is highly infectious. Therefore, please look out for symptoms in your child which include - a sore throat, headache, and fever, along with a fine, pinkish or red body rash with a sandpapery feel. On darker skin, the rash can be more difficult to detect visually but will have a sandpapery feel. Contact NHS 111 or your GP if you suspect your child has scarlet fever, because early treatment of scarlet fever with antibiotics is important to reduce the risk of complications such as pneumonia or a bloodstream infection. If your child has scarlet fever, keep them at home until at least 24 hours after the start of antibiotic treatment to avoid spreading the infection to others.

Weekly Reflection

Ethos Statement – I know we are happiest when we are united.

It isn't easy to always live peacefully with one another but we know that we are happiest when we all get along well and we feel united. After Jesus died, many people joined the community of the friends of Jesus. They lived every day as they were taught. They lived like members of one big family. They ate together, sharing bread and wine as Jesus had done at the last supper. They

prayed together often. Everyone who saw them was amazed at how happy they were. We are encouraged by this and try to get along with others at home and at school. If everyone tries their best to co-operate and work together we can be much more successful.



FJH	Florence Martin	1DK	Amelia Silcock	2RL	Eleanor Jones
FJH	Audrey Hughes	1DK	Reece Roberts	2RL	Joseph O'Donnell
FBG	Ellie Laycock	1SH	Charis Brand	2HW	Kiara Wallace
FBG	Lola Stott	1SH	Bonnie Young	2HW	Brody Chee

3EJ	Annie Battle	4HS	Penny Whittaker	5AY	Olivia Smart
3EJ	Edith Teese	4HS	Joe Delaney	5AY	Harrison Kennedy
3DJ	Verity Bull	4HK	Brooke Wilson	5MJ	Noah Granton-Jones
3DJ	Grace Holsgrove	4HK	Harry Coffin	5MJ	Lucas Limb

6KH	Isabelle Johnson
6KH	Thomas Sweeney
6RM	Maisie Thompson
6RM	Amelia Hughes

House Points

Last week's winners:

<u>KS1</u>	Luke	<u>KS2</u>	Luke	<u>Overall</u>	Luke
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Year 3 Sacramental Preparation

Thank you to everyone who attended our Enrolment Mass at the weekend, it was so lovely to see the church full of families. Please do continue to bring your children to Mass each week as they prepare to make two very special Sacraments over the weeks ahead. Children can wear their crosses each time that they go to Mass to show the parishioners that they are on their special journey.

We will be having a **Mass for prayer sponsors** on **Thursday 9th February at 9:15** in **church**. You are welcome to attend if you can.

Don't forget that our **first session** will be on **Tuesday 28th February 5pm – 6pm** in **school**. Please come to the main entrance.

Please note: Just to clarify, the time of the Mass for Holy Communion on 20th May is at 11am.



Wirral Music Festival

The choir will be competing the the Wirral Music Festival on Saturday 25th March, attending is a great opportunity for the choir to show off their talents and the more that can attend the more impressive we are.

FS2 Trip to Imagine That!

Imagine that! We are going to an interactive museum as part of science week on Tuesday 28th March 2023. The trip will include a minimum of three science workshops. They have introduced some exciting new workshops for the new academic year, exploring the properties of solids and gases in an amazing visual experience. If that is not enough, we then get to explore all of the different areas: imagination village, creation area (we get to paint on cars!) and science investigation area (where we stand inside a giant bubble!). The cost of the trip is £15 which must be paid via ParentPay before 17th March. Your child must wear their school jumper or cardigan but can have their own t-shirt and bottoms. A packed lunch from the school canteen will be provided for the trip and the children with allergies will be catered for. We will leave and return within school hours so drop off and pick up times will remain the same as a normal school day.

This trip was fantastic last time we went and we are really looking forward to taking the children. Thanks FS2 Team :)

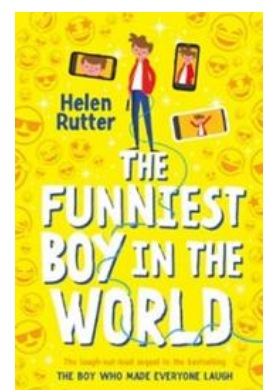


Year 1 Topic

As part of our topic of Families and Celebrations, Year 1 went to Church where Deacon Tony talked to us about becoming part of the church family through baptism. He explained about the signs and symbols and baptised our baby doll we took over.

KS2 Author visit: Helen Rutter

We are delighted to be welcoming Helen Rutter, author of *The Funniest Boy in the World*, to meet with KS2 children on January 31st. She will share extracts from her laugh-out-loud book, which has been selected for the 2022 Read for Empathy collection. The story is the sequel to *The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh*. Helen got her inspiration from her own son, who has a stammer. This book is full of brilliant jokes and is also sure to encourage empathy and kindness in readers. Helen will be available at the end of the session to meet with anyone who has purchased a copy and she will sign it. Books can be purchased on Parentpay for £7.50p. Please make payment by 24th January.



Year 4- Anglo Saxon/Viking trip

On Wednesday 25th January 2023, Year 4 will be visiting Tatton Park to deepen their knowledge of Anglo Saxons and Vikings. The details of the trip can be seen via this link.

https://www.tattonpark.org.uk/learn/school_visits/education_programme/anglo_saxon_and_viking.aspx

Reminder: Payment for the trip is £14.50 per child and is live on ParentPay. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's class teacher.

Thank you.

CARITAS- Warmer winter funding

Caritas have secured funding to provide people on the Wirral with warm clothing (such as coats, hats, gloves) bedding (throws, quilts) and heaters. This can be for adults as well as children, grandparents, neighbours... Sometimes we buy everything for the kids and can't afford to get ourselves something or the kids grow that fast that we can't keep up! It is cold out and help is available. If you would benefit from such items or know of someone who would, then please speak to Alex in the parish office or you can contact Caritas directly on 0151 652 1281 ext 104. They can either be collected via the parish office or dropped off directly. We will be discrete as you need us to be.

Parking concerns

Several concerns have been raised by residents about parking outside the school and surrounding streets. One resident was particularly distressed due to receiving some offensive remarks and actions when they approached a person dropping off/collecting a pupil.

On a couple of occasions, some dangerous parking and blocking of the main road has also been witnessed by our local residents.

Can we ask that we remain considerate to our neighbours and our local community and ensure safety is priority whilst dropping off and collecting children.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 25 th January	Year 4 Anglo Saxon/Viking trip
Monday 30 th January	National storytelling week
Tuesday 31 st January	KS2 Author Visit
Thursday 2 nd February	FS2 Vision and Audio Screening
Monday 6 th February	Swimming 5AY commences
Thursday 9 th February	Mass for Prayer Sponsors 9:15am- Church
Monday 13 th February	Swimming 5MJ commences
Wednesday 8 th February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 17 th February	School closes for Half Term Break
Monday 27 th February	School reopens
Wednesday 1 st March	Ash Wednesday

Tuesday 28 th February	First Session Sacramental Preperation 5pm- School
Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day
Monday 6 th March	Year 6 Residential
Saturday 25 th March	Wirral Music Festival
Tuesday 28 th March	FS2 'Imagine that' Visit