



**22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019**

**"Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself."**

**Class Attendance**

This year any class that gets 100% attendance will have an extra playtime on a Friday afternoon.

The class with the highest attendance this week of **99.33%** is 4CS, Mrs Small's class. Well Done!



**Weekly Reflection**

**Ethos Statement – I can make choices that affect my health.**

God always wants us to choose to be the best person we can be. We make choices every day. Sometimes good ones and other times not so good ones. This week we reflected on the Bible reading where Jesus tells us to choose to act in the right way. In order to do this we have to follow the two greatest commandments.

To love the Lord our God with all our hearts, with all our souls and with all our mind.  
To love our neighbour as we love ourselves.

If we keep these two rules at the forefront of our minds when faced with making decisions then we will always choose the right path.

The following children have shown they know how to look after themselves.

FCB – Lucy Kent  
FCB – Ellee Mae Griffiths  
FEM – William Spencer  
FEM – Grace Holsgrove

1DM – Izabela Kisiel  
1DM – Jensen Jagger-Tippey  
1MH – Lilah Arthur  
1MH – Joe Delaney

2EK – Nancy-Rose Lawrence  
2EK – Noah Goodheart-Smith  
2AD – Henry Green  
2AD – Julia Jarmulkowicz

3HB – Mariola Kiesel  
3HB – Harry Law  
3EJ – Tara Madden  
3EJ – Harry Stringer

4AY – Leon Doherty  
4AY – Bella Gough  
4CS – Sumari Nag  
4CS – Evan Riley

5RL – Nicholas Connor  
5RL – Liam Carter  
5HK – Kieran Holmes  
5HK – Alex Crosby  
5HK – Amelie Sherry

6GA – Milly Hebden  
6GA – Jobe O'Connor  
6KH – Charlie Dawson  
6KH – Ben Davies

## **Feast of Christ the King 2019**

This coming Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. As we are not in school on this day, we celebrated together yesterday. Year 5 led us in a beautiful Mass where the children read, sang and responded brilliantly. We also got our new school banner blessed at the start of Mass and thank the ladies from the parish who worked with us to design and create it.



Father Tom reminded us that Jesus wasn't an ordinary King. He was an extraordinary one! He didn't wear robes, have servants, live in a palace or boss everybody about. Instead he told his people to love and put others first. We are called to do the same and help build up God's Kingdom here on earth. Every time we put our school motto into action, or remember our Christian values, we are being ambassadors for Christ. We enjoyed spending time together with an extra playtime and took home a little treat too. Our Little Acorns have also been thinking about Kings all week and even came to school dressed up. What a lovely time it was coming together to celebrate as a school family.

## **Father Tom Visit**

This week Father Tom came in to lead our KS2 Worship. Continuing with our theme of miracles, he spoke to us about the time Jesus walked on water. Year 2 also had Father Tom in speaking to them about the mystery of the Trinity. There is nothing that they could not tell you about this difficult idea as they have been learning about it in class. Well done Year 2.

## **Important - Medication in School**



Could we please remind parents that, if you require your child to be administered with medicine during the school day, this must be brought in via the school office and the appropriate authorisation form completed. Please do not send medicines in to school with your child as we will not be able to administer it to them without the appropriate signed authorisation. Medicines must have been prescribed by a GP/Pharmacist and have a pharmacy label with your child's name on. Please do not send your child in to school with soothers for sore throats such as Strepsils. Thank you for your co-operation.

## **UNICEF**

UNICEF Steering group met for their monthly meeting to discuss our shoe appeal in collaboration with Clarks Shoes - more information to follow. We also discussed children's day and children's rights convention. It will be the 30th birthday of the CRC and to celebrate our steering group will be having a party.

## **Break Time Snack**

Children in KS1 are provided with a piece of fruit at morning break. Children in KS2 are welcome to bring in a healthy snack such as fruit or a cereal bar – please do not send crisps, chocolate or sweets. Thank you.

## **Hockey Practice**

Unfortunately the day on which hockey is held will have to be changed due to staff commitments. Hockey will now take place on Monday after school. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.



## Trampete Wanted!



Do you have an unwanted trampete, in good condition, which you could donate to school? Mrs Jones is looking for a trampete/trampetes to set up sensory circuits. If you think you can help please contact the school office. Thank you.

## STEM Kids

STEM Kids will be holding a Young Engineers after school club every Thursday from 3.15-4.15pm for 6 weeks, to be held in Mrs Hunter's classroom

Dates: 09/01/2020, 16/01/2020, 23/01/2020,  
30/01/2020, 06/02/2020, and 13/02/2020  
Cost: £42.00 per child



Children construct a range of projects including: **Balloon Powered Cars, Vibrating Bugs, Electronic Pocket Torches, Windmills and Slime.** All projects can be taken home. You can register online at [www.stemkids.co.uk](http://www.stemkids.co.uk).

Places are limited and are reserved on a first come first reserved basis. If the club is full please register your interest on the waiting list as we may be able to extend the number of places available. Full Terms and Conditions are on their website.

## PFA Update Christmas Fair – Sunday 1st December 11am-2pm

We are desperately short of volunteers to run the Christmas Fair, 23 people short and that doesn't even count for the help needed to set up or tidy up which is always pretty much done by the Committee and school staff. To give some context, this week the PFA have bought the crackers and drinks to accompany the Christmas Dinner on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at a cost of £130. That may not sound a lot but that is the profit total from the Teddies, Toys and Books stalls. Currently we do not have enough people to run these stalls. The theatre company that come into school and put on a Christmas Production is paid for with PFA funds, the amount we raise on the bidding wall will just about cover it. If we do not get more volunteers we will have to cancel the majority of the stalls. Please please sign up today by clicking on this link [volunteersignup.org/DEHQM](http://volunteersignup.org/DEHQM)

Please bring in your donations of toys, washed teddies, unwanted gifts, Christmas Jumpers and books from Monday. **These should be left under the covered area at pick up time – please do not bring them of a morning or drop at the school office.** Thanks in advance.



Bookings are open on our Facebook page for Santa's Grotto and Storytime with his Elf returning to the Christmas Fair this year. Slots are going fast but we have a limited supply of walk up slots available for those not on Facebook or use [admin@christthekingpfa.co.uk](mailto:admin@christthekingpfa.co.uk)

There are plenty more raffle tickets in the office if you can possibly sell more. All money and stubs to be returned by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November. Please return any unsold ones asap. The classes that sell the most will be treated to a movie afternoon and choccy treat. Keep an eye on the Christ the King Facebook Page this weekend to see who is in the lead.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November is non uniform day when we ask for your donations of a bottle for our infamous bottle stall.





Your child should have come home with their form for Elfridges, the Secret Gift Room, it will be on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Everybody loves the Secret Gift Room and we are adding some cuteness with the new name this year! The return date for all forms and money is Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

Please use a form for each child. We administrate the forms by class and will have to return any with siblings squeezed on. It's a mammoth task to run so please help us with that one, thank you.

### **Christmas Lunch**

This year, Christmas dinner will be provided in school for all children including Little Acorns on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December**. All pupils can partake if they wish, including those who may normally have a packed lunch. The cost of the meal is £2.40 for Little Acorns and KS2 pupils. There is no charge for pupils in KS1 or children entitled to a free school meal. Please note that there will not be an alternative choice of meal on this day so if your child does not want a Christmas dinner please send in a packed lunch.



**Roast Turkey with Sage & Onion Stuffing  
Chipolata Sausage  
Roast and Mashed Potatoes  
With Gravy**

**For Vegetarians:  
Vegetarian Christmas Roast**

**Fresh Carrots, Fresh Sprouts and Peas**

**Festive Biscuit  
Chocolate Crispy Cake  
Fresh Fruit Platter  
Water, Milk or Juice**

KS2 and Little Acorns parents should make payment on ParentPay **UNDER CHRISTMAS LUNCH PAYMENT ITEM NOT USUAL SCHOOL MEALS** – you will see this as a separate tab. **If your child is in KS1 (reception, y1 and y2) or in receipt of free school meals, please complete the form at the end of this newsletter and return it to the school office.** In order that the kitchen staff can place their food order the closing date for ordering Christmas Dinner is Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Every child who orders Christmas Dinner will be issued with a ticket on the morning of 19<sup>th</sup> December to hand to kitchen staff in return for their Christmas Dinner.

### **Christmas Concert – Choir, Guitar and Violins – Tickets Now On Sale**



This year, choir, guitar and violins will be performing in the junior hall on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm – the children have letters to explain all arrangements. **Tickets are now available from the school office at £1 each with a limit of 2 tickets per child.** Remaining tickets will be available to purchase w/c 2 December. Refreshments will be provided which will include a nice mince pie, to get us into the Christmas spirit.

## **CtK Brass Band Christmas Concert**

Our school Brass Band is now bigger than ever, and it has been wonderful to see so many new members! Due to the large number of very new players in the band, we won't be performing in the choir concert this Christmas, instead we have decided to organise our own short informal concert in school so that our beginners can gain valuable experience of playing in public. We would therefore like to invite parents and other family members to join us on Wednesday 11th December in the Junior Hall at 3:30pm. There will be mince pies and Christmas cheer, Brass Band style!



## **FS1 Stay and Play**



As part of their RE work on 'Family' FS1 developed the theme to include their new Christ the King family. Their parents and carers were invited to 'stay and pray' with them at the start of each day. Thank you to all those who came and supported them. They also celebrated our school feast day with a dress up day and thought about Jesus our king.

## **Year 1 Autumn Walk**

Year 1 enjoyed their seasonal walk. Thank you for sending their wellington boots/shoes in for the walk. The children behaved brilliantly and really enjoyed looking for the evidence.



## **Year 3 Stone Age Workshop**



Year 3 have been given an exciting opportunity to take part in a Stone Age workshop here at school for only £4.50 per child. They will be experiencing what it would have been like to live in this prehistoric time. All children will need to come to school in warm, waterproof clothing on the day of their workshop preferably in items that you are happy to get muddy as we will be working outside. We apologise for the short notice and thank you for your cooperation. Please make your Payment via ParentPay as soon as possible. 3EJ's workshop will be taking place on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. 3HS's workshop will be taking place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

## **Year 3 Art Resources**

Year 3 are hoping to start making their Stone Age Hunting tools on Monday so If anyone has any kitchen rolls, long cardboard tubes (like those found inside rolls of wrapping paper), bits of tinfoil, string or any other suitable materials could you send them to the Year 3 classes please. Any items would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

## **Year 5 Trip to Quarry Bank Mill**

On Friday 29th of November, Year 5 will be going to Quarry Bank Mill in Wilmslow. On the day, the children and adults are invited to dress up in typical Victorian costume. Please do not spend lots of money on outfits, for example a girl might wear a plain dark coloured dress with a white apron and mop hat. A boy might wear grey pants/shorts, a white shirt and a waistcoat and cap. Some of the activities will be outdoors so please ensure your child has a thick coat with them and suitable footwear. Please provide lunch in a labelled bag- no fizzy drinks thank you. The cost of the trip is £13 which covers the cost of the coach and various activities throughout the day. Please make payment via ParentPay. There is a gift shop and if children wish to buy from it please give them no more than £5 (which they are responsible for throughout the day).

## Year 6 Visit to the Police Museum and School Visit by Merseyside Police



On 11th November, year 6 went on a trip to the Police Museum in Manchester to support their work on our Crime and Punishment topic. We had never visited this venue before, but all agreed that it was a fantastic day, with a huge amount of visual and practical experiences.

The children enacted a real-life case of theft from the Victorian era in the setting of an authentic courtroom. The barristers and their associates ruthlessly grilled the witnesses, whilst the judge handed

down a severe sentence of 18 months – a bit harsh, considering the accused was an 11 year old girl! We also visited the police cells – small, cramped and cold. The museum itself was full of fascinating exhibits, from forged money and diamonds to home-made weapons used in real crimes. The children were allowed to dress up in police uniforms from the past – most complained about how heavy and itchy they were.



To complement this trip, we then had visitors from Merseyside Police Authority in school. P.C. Stewart Lawson, P. C. Claire Walker and P.C.S.O. Peter Shone came to give year 6 an insight into the life of a modern-day police officer, prompting many and diverse questions from the children. We'd like to extend our thanks to them for an enthralling and exciting afternoon.

**REPLY SLIPS**

**Christmas Dinner – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

If your child is in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 or in receipt of free school meals and you wish them to have a Christmas dinner, please complete and return this slip to the school office before Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

Name of Child ..... Class .....

Signature of Parent ..... Date .....

### Dates for your Diary

Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Immunisation Programme
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Own clothes in return for a bottle for the bottle stall
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5 Trip to Quarry Bank Mill
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Fair
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	3EJ Stone Age Day
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Decmeber	Choir, Guitar and Violin Concert, 6pm Junior Hall
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Y2 Visit to Bromborough Methodist Church
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	3HB Stone Age Day
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	10am KS1 Production for Year 1 Parents 2pm KS1 Production for Year 2 Parents
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	FS2 Production, 10am
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Brass Band Christmas Concert, 3.30pm, Junior Hall
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	FS1 Production, 10am
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day (not Little Acorns)
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Report cards home
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day – Little Acorns only
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	CtK Church Choir Concert, 7.15pm`
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert in Church, 2pm and 6pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Decmeber	Theatre Workshop Production, am
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Term Mass in Church, 9.30am*
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	School Closes for Christmas, 2pm
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	School re-opens

\* Parents are welcome to join us celebrate Mass in Church, however seating will be limited