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ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Which class achieved the best attendance?



In school



On time

Week Commencing: 30th September 2019

Reception	94.48%	Year 1	97.24%
Year 2	99.33%	Year 3	99.64%
Year 4	97.67%	Year 5	96.30%
Year 6	98.39%		

Week Commencing: 7th October 2019

Reception	94.14%	Year 1	95.17%
Year 2	94.67%	Year 3	98.21%
Year 4	92.67%	Year 5	97.86%
Year 6	97.74%		



YEAR 3



Star of the Week – 4th October 2019



Well done to the following children:

Reception – James Little and Isla McCulloch

Year 1 – Joe Booth and Grace Sutton

Year 2 – Blake McDonough

Year 3 – Evie Davies

Year 4 – Whole Class

Year 5 – Thomas Coburn

Year 6 – Kelsey Cawley

Start of the Week – 11th October 2019

Reception – Hope Smith and Noah Hindley

Year 1 – Frankie Belch and Sienna Newby

Year 2 – Eryn Davies

Year 3 – Sofie Martynkova

Year 4 – Macey Hewitt

Year 5 – Trip

Year 6 – Jake France

Outcomes; RE Inspection

I am delighted to report that the school has been judged as outstanding in the recent section 48 RE inspection. The report recognises the high quality of teaching and learning in our school in addition to the outstanding inclusive pastoral care the children receive. The children were a credit throughout the inspection demonstrating respect and exemplary behaviour.

The report is available for all parents to access via the schools web site.

If anyone would like a hard copy, please call in at the school office to obtain one.

Rugby Team

Well done to our rugby team who had secured a victory in the first match of the season against St Johns. We won 38-0.

Man of the Match - Ben Farrimond

The next rugby match is taking place tomorrow, Friday 18th October 2019 against Gilded Hollins – we wish all our boys and girls well!

Attendance:

Attendance at school is key to raising standards in education and ensuring that all pupils can fulfil their potential. Pupils need to be punctual, and attend school regularly to benefit from their education. Missing out on lessons leaves children vulnerable to falling behind in their learning. Children with poor attendance tend to achieve less in both primary and secondary school.

We continue to monitor each child's attendance and, with the additional support of the Attendance Service, we meet with parents/carers where attendance is a concern. This is done in a supportive way to explore what we can do to support a child and their family to improve attendance.

Health and Well Being Themed Week Beginning 4th November

Following World Mental Health day on the 10th October, we have organised a range of activities and events for November to raise awareness in school.

As you may be aware health and well-being in young people is becoming a huge issue as children's well-being has fallen to the lowest it has been in nearly a decade. Young people deal with many different pressures and fears, which can affect how they feel about themselves and relationships. It is important that children are aware of the importance of being healthy, both physically and mentally.

We aim to raise awareness in **3** ways:

Healthy Body - The children will explore the different aspects of staying healthy. They will learn about healthy diets, exercise, screen time, sleep and keeping clean. To promote getting enough exercise the children will take part in the following :

Skipping Workshops; Monday 4th November
Dance Workshops; Tuesday 5th November.

Healthy Mind - The children will learn ways in which we can stay well mentally and explore strategies to help us to be mindful and relax. As part of this work the children take part in;
Yoga on Wednesday 6th November.

School Council Suggestion Boxes

The School Council have invited the children to enter a competition to make a suggestion box for their class based on a "Super Hero" theme. Please bring them into school on **Friday 8th November 2019.**



Book Bus



The book bus visited school as part of our push to encourage children to develop a love of reading. The children thoroughly enjoyed selecting their own books. Please encourage your child to read daily and talk to them about what they are reading.

CAFOD
just one world

Afternoon Tea

Thank you to all those that were able to attend and support this event last Friday to raise money for CAFOD. The children were an absolute credit to their teachers as they acted as cooks, waitresses, waiters and pot washers!

Through their efforts they raised **£95.00.**

I would also like to thank Dot for giving up her time to bake scones with the children and prepare for what was a superb afternoon enjoyed by all.

Go to our web site under religion then Catholic Life to view photographs ;

<https://www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk/religion-in-our-school/catholic-life/>





Healthy Relationships - The children will explore friendships, including how we can get along with each other and conflict resolution. As part of this work the children will have access to **peer massage workshops to promote friendships.**

Health and Well-being week will then lead into Anti-bullying week and the children will learn about bullying, how to prevent it, speaking out against bullying and maintaining Twelve Apostles as an anti-bullying school.

Anti-Bullying Assembly Friday 15th November at 9.00 am

Miss Hope, Mrs Evans and the children in Year 3 would like to invite parents and carers to this assembly to show case the work they have done on preventing bullying.

Sponsored Bounce

Friday 18th October at 1.15 pm

This is the last chance to collect sponsors for this annual fund raising event. We hire a bouncy castle for an afternoon and each class get a turn to go on. If you do not already have a sponsor form, you will be able to obtain a copy on the day. Please try your best to get 1 or 2 sponsors for your child and then return this form to your child's class teacher by **Friday 18th October.**

If anyone is available, we need about 10-12 helpers to count the bounces and to serve drinks. Helpers would need to come to school from 1.00 pm. Please inform the school office if you are available to help – thank you.

Treat Day

Friday 18th October at 3.15 pm

Friends are holding a treat day for all the children after school on Friday 18th October. They will be able to purchase drinks and sweets for 50p or less from the junior playground.

Mile of Copper

Friday 22nd November at 10.45 am to 3.00 pm



The buckets are now in class and we ask all our families to save 1p and 2p coins and send them into school. Each class will compete to try and fill a bucket. We might be able to make a mile this year!

Monday 18th November – Other Faiths Week Judaism

All year groups will be finding out about Judaism throughout the week.

We have arranged for representatives to visit school from the Jewish Museum in Manchester to deliver workshops in Year 5 and 6 on **Monday 18th November.**

In addition all year groups will get the opportunity to learn about Judaism including traditions and culture through engaging workshops from [@REonDemand RE](#) on **Wednesday 20th November**

Please ask your child about what they have found out about Judaism

Trips and Visitors to School

Teachers plan a host of visits and visitors to enhance the curriculum. Our army of friends plan and organise a range of fundraising events to subsidise these enrichment activities.

Friday, 8th November 2019 – Year 6 Empire Cinema, Wigan

Monday, 11th November 2019 - Year 4 Wigan Cinema film Festival

Year 5 and Year 2

Miss Phoenix reported that the children in Year 5 were excellent ambassadors for school when they visited the Egyptian museum in Bolton last week. The behaviour was exemplary as was the year 2 when they visited the circus in Blackpool .Mrs Yates reported that they had a wonderful day . Well done children!

Look out for photos on the web site :

<https://www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk/new-news-items/>

Parents Workshops and Meetings

Throughout this term teachers will be inviting parents to information sessions and meetings about the curriculum so please watch out for a letter that your child will bring home.

I have listed dates and times below:-

Reception Intake – September 2020

Open Evening - Thursday 14th November at 6.00 pm

Anyone interested in sending their child to XII Apostles R.C.P.S. is invited to this open evening which will give them a chance to find out more about the school and meet the teachers.

E-Safety - A reminder

Parents can access a free online safety magazine called DITTO to keep up to date with risks, issues, advice and guidance related to keeping children safe online whilst also enjoying learning about technology.

You can download a copy:- <https://www.esafety-adviser.com/latest-newsletter/>

Can I remind parents that there is a wealth of guidance on our school website on keeping children safe online under the “parent tab”.

Year 6 Robinwood Trip
13th January – 15th January 2020

Reminder any outstanding balances must be paid by **Friday, 18th October 2019.**

Year 2 - Mrs Yates - Reading and Vocabulary

Thursday 7th November at 3.30 pm and 5.00 pm

Reception – Mrs O’Boyle - Speech and Language workshop

Friday 8th November at 9.00 am

Friday 15th November at 9.00 am

National School Meals Week – Wednesday, 13th November 2019

Your child will be able to experience some of their favourite dishes on Wednesday, 13th November.

If your child is normally on packed lunches but would like to try one of the dishes stated below, please let the school office know so they can be added to the dinner system for that day. The cost of the meal is £2.20.

Sausages, chips and peas

Chicken fajita with chips and mixed vegetables

Chocolate crunch.

Year 6 Leavers Do 2020

A parent of a child in Year 6 has asked if all Year 6 parents can please go onto facebook and join **Twelve Apostles Year 6 Leavers Doo 2020** for further information regarding holding a leavers do.

Please note this is an event organised by the parents and not school.

School Breaks up for 2 weeks on Friday 18th October and returns on Monday 4th November.

Through learning and loving we will follow Jesus.



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Whisper International - Neil Sumner - 0161 794 0818 or 07760174537

XII Apostles Rainbows, Brownies, Guides & Rangers - Cheryl Garvey - 07719357069

ABC Domestic - Ian McGowan - 01942 730468 or 07715986396

9th - 15th Leigh Scout Group - Jane Riley - 07714417263

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Feet First Chiropodist & Podiatrist - Nicola Skitt - 01942 671155 or 07767696014