



One Family in Christ

St John the Baptist RC Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs L. Campbell

Newsletter

8th March 2024

Thank you very much for your generosity this week! We have made Easter hampers with the chocolate and gifts that you so kindly sent in. There are 18 prizes of different sizes to be won and you can buy tickets from the office or by sending money into class with your child. We will also sell them after school and children can win them in school by impressing me with their kindness. The hampers will be raffled on the last day of term in assembly. Good luck 😊 Mrs Campbell



Head-teacher awards	'Lady of the Bible' class winner	Celebration of talents assembly winners
Reception (Miriam)	Zayaan	Zaara Nathaniel
Y1 (Elizabeth)	Salvador	Yasmin Alayna
Y2 (Prisca)	Zainab	Miesha Perfect
Y3 (Sheba)	Luana	Lucas Zakariyya
Y4 (Deborah)	Edvinas	Zuelani Hasnain
Y5 (Esther)	Exaucee	Clarissa Chelsea
Y6 (Lydia)	Leonie	Bisma Denys

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance: week beg 04.03.2024	82.1%	97%	97.9%	94.3%	87.7%	97.6%	97.3%

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Catholic Life

Gospel: John 2:13-25

It was almost time for the Passover Festival, so Jesus went to Jerusalem. There in the Temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and pigeons, and also the moneychangers sitting at their tables. So he made a whip from cords and drove all the animals out of the Temple, both the sheep and the cattle; he overturned the tables of the moneychangers and scattered their coins; and he ordered those who sold the pigeons, "Take them out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that the scripture says, "My devotion to your house, O God, burns in me like a fire."

The Jewish authorities came back at him with a question, "What miracle can you perform to show us that you have the right to do this?"

Jesus answered, "Tear down this Temple, and in three days I will build it again."

"Are you going to build it again in three days?" they asked him. "It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple!"

But the temple Jesus was speaking about was his body. So when he was raised from death, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and what Jesus had said.

While Jesus was in Jerusalem during the Passover Festival, many believed in him as they saw the miracles he performed. But Jesus did not trust himself to them, because he knew them all. There was no need for anyone to tell him about them, because he himself knew what was in their hearts.

We are "One family in Christ"

Lent Stay and Pray sessions are next week:

Nursery: Tuesday 11.30am

Reception: Tuesday 9am

Y1: Wednesday 2.30pm

Y2: Tuesday 2.30pm

Y3: Tuesday 2.30pm

Y4: Thursday 2.30pm

Y5: Tuesday 2.30pm

Y6: Monday 2.30pm

We listened to your feedback and have staggered them across the week so you can attend more than one ☺

Love of learning and playing together. One community, aiming high, helping each other and praying together. On our journey with Christ.

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Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1

Reception have been using the phoneme logs to create their own words. Together, they have been blending them orally, pronouncing each phoneme carefully. Super phonics work outside!



Year Two have been discovering the wonders of Africa. They used their Design & Technology skills to create their own African Djembe drum! They enjoyed creating sounds and exploring with rhythm!

“Love one another as I have loved you.” John 15:12

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Key Stage Two



Some of our oldest pupils have chosen, with their parents permission, to fast during Ramadan. Sawm is one of the five pillars of Islam and, in school, we support children who have chosen, and who have permission, to observe it. We recognise and discuss the similarities of our faiths: Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) spent much of his time in isolation, meditating in a cave in Mount Hira, located near Mecca, which is where the angel Jibrail revealed the first passages of what would become known as the Holy Qur'an, and Christians fast during Lent to represent Jesus Christ's sacrifice when he went into the desert to pray and fast for 40 days before later dying on the cross.

This understanding of our faiths is a strength of the school and we support one another in observing our traditions.

Children who do not fast are encouraged to give up something else for Lent or Ramadan, such as using unkind words or being cross with others, as a way of growing spiritually in this special time.

"Be still and know that I am God" Psalm 46:10

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