



One Family in Christ

St John the Baptist RC Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs L. Campbell

Newsletter

12th April 2024

We have had a great first week back in our Summer term and we have a busy few weeks ahead! Y2 and Y1 have their PE showcases, which parents are welcome to come in and watch. There are lots of sports opportunities this half term including golf, water polo and athletics. We are also celebrating Earth Day and each class will be focusing on one element of stewardship as they learn how and why we need to protect God's creation. Lots of fun ahead! ☺ Mrs Campbell

Earth Day takes place on April 22nd and has a different focus each year. This year the focus is on Planets vs Plastics and we are encouraged to think about ways we can reduce our plastic waste.



Head-teacher awards	'Lady of the Bible' class winner	Celebration of talents assembly winners
Reception (Miriam)	Chibunna	Shehryar Tiana
Y1 (Elizabeth)	Jannat N	Ihtsham Hafsa
Y2 (Prisca)	Debbie	Meisha Chisom
Y3 (Sheba)	Hollie	Michael Subhan
Y4 (Deborah)	Emelia	Linola Favour
Y5 (Esther)	Exaucee	Umme Chelsea
Y6 (Lydia)	Muhammed	Nabeeha Syeda

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance: week beg 8.4.2024	77.4	88.3	80.7	85.7	74	80.7	81.3

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Catholic Life

Gospel: John 20:19-31

It was late that Sunday evening, and the disciples were gathered together behind locked doors, because they were afraid of the Jewish authorities. Then Jesus came and stood among them. "Peace be with you," he said. After saying this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy at seeing the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so I send you." Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive people's sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

One of the twelve disciples, Thomas (called the Twin), was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

Thomas said to them, "Unless I see the scars of the nails in his hands and put my finger on those scars and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later the disciples were together again indoors, and Thomas was with them. The doors were locked, but Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and look at my hands; then stretch out your hand and put it in my side. Stop your doubting, and believe!"

Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus said to him, "Do you believe because you see me? How happy are those who believe without seeing me!"

In his disciples' presence Jesus performed many other miracles which are not written down in this book. But these have been written in order that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through your faith in him you may have life.

We are "One family in Christ"



From this week's Gospel, the children have been encouraged to think about how they can be peacemakers at home, in their community and within school. They had lots of good ideas!

'We can say thank you to our mum when she helps us.'
Year 2 pupil.



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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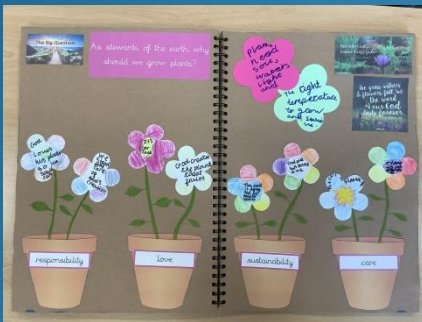
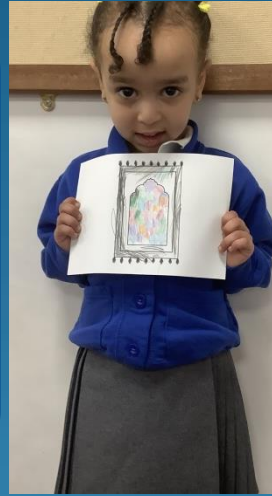


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Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1

EYFS have been decorating beautiful prayer cards to share with their friends, showing love and respect for one another and spreading kindness within their classroom - what thoughtful gestures!



Year Two have been fulfilling their role of 'Stewards of the Earth' this week. They planted during their Science lessons and discussed sustainability, thinking carefully about how to care for God's creation. What wonderful role models they are!

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

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Key Stage Two

Our new worship team planned, delivered and evaluated their first whole school Celebration of the Word this week! They led the entire school in a silent reflection of this week's Gospel. Well done everyone! We are so proud 😊



Year 3 have some incredibly exciting news! They have been chosen to learn and perform an opera in an actual theatre later this year. They will be showcasing their talents in 'The Magic Flute' along with other Rochdale schools. This week, they have been practising singing the opera songs and tuning up their voices! Watch this space!

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

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