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# Newsletter

# LIVING OUR FAITH

Welcome to Year I Class Assembly

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### Friday 26th January 2024

#### **Year 1 Class Assembly**

Well done to Year 1 for presenting such an informative Class Assembly on Wednesday morning. They shared so many interesting facts they had learnt this term. They enjoyed singing and dancing, and used Talk for Writing so well to tell the story of The Snail and The Whale. Thank you to all of the parents and grandparents who attended — another wonderful turn out. Thank you also for your lovely feedback through the survey too.

#### **Year 3 Visit to the Marist Centre**

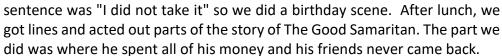
On Tuesday we arrived at the Marist Centre, I rushed to put my things away. First, we went down the most beautiful corridor and ended up in







the calmest chapel. Next, we watched a clip about reconciliation which is when you say sorry and I forgive you with a bee who would not forgive the other bee. After that, we got into groups and I was in group two. Our



Written by Niamh Year 3



#### **Learning at St Paul's this week**

This week **Year 1** have been using finger monsters. The finger monsters sit on our fingers and help to follow the text while we read. They help us to not lose our place.

#### **Kingswood**

The Year 6 children are very much looking forward to the annual residential to Colomendy. Thank you for completing the online forms. We still have a few outstanding Code of Conducts – please return these **by Monday** at the very latest. Just to confirm that Mr Allen, Miss Smith, Miss Girven, Mr Edwards (Chair of Governors) and Ms Nicholson (Foundation Governor) will be accompanying the children on their visit. If you have any questions, prior to the trip, please speak to Mr Allen or Miss Smith.



#### **Emergency Contact Details**

Please ensure that all emergency contact details and or change of address are kept up to date in the school office. This can be done using the online form – please click on the link below: -

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=5vNHe4bOl0O3MXXhCFGIjMLlQ3iFQY9KrGnqQiFcHoZUMzI0V0QyU1RMNVVXUIIRRIZGNFFZRUhCUS4u

#### **NSPCC Number Day**

We have decided to take part in the NSPCC Number day once again this year. Number day will take place on **Friday 2**<sup>nd</sup> **February**. We are basing our Maths themed day around the book, *How many Jelly beans? By Andrea Menotti*. Throughout the week, starting on the **Monday 29**<sup>th</sup> **January**, we will be having a guess the number of jellybeans in the jar competition - 50p a go. All proceeds will go to the NSPCC. If you have any questions, please speak to Mrs McGowan.

#### Reading

The **Safe Breaker Reading Challenge** has now been launched. Clues have been shared and pupils are very keen to attend the library at lunchtime. Don't forget to remind your child that in order to *submit an answer to Miss Quinn or the Reading Champions*, your child must:

- On February 2nd 2024, we will be celebrating the NSPCC Number day and raising money for this worthy charity. We will have a fun filled day of maths challenges.

  We will also be having a "Guess how many Jellybeans" competition throughout the week.

  For 50p, you can have one guess of how many there are and on Number Day we will announce who is closest and they will win the whole jar!
- Have checked the book out of the library at some point since the challenge has begun.
  - Be able to answer basic questions about the book to show that you have read it.
- Have recommended that 2 of their friends read the book to see if they agree and like the book.

#### Measles, Mumps & Rubella

Intrahealth are currently offering a catch-up programme for the vaccine but the take up at present is low across Tameside. Please ensure that you have returned your form to the school office if you received one. 1 in 5 people with measles will need to go to hospital and 9 in 10 unvaccinated children will catch measles if someone in their class has it. It is never too late to get the MMR vaccination – children and adults alike can get it via their GP practice if they are missing a dose or doses.

#### **Attendance & Punctuality**

Congratulations to Nursery with the highest attendance once again for last week. Punctuality was significantly impacted last week due to the weather. Hopefully there won't be as many late arrivals this week.

We now ask that if your child arrives late to school (after 8.55am) that parents/carers take your child to the main office and you are required to sign them in with a reason for your late arrival. Lateness has a significant impact on learning for your child so we ask that all parents make a real effort to arrive at school on time every day.

Attendance & Punctuality for week beginning 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2024										
	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Overall	
Attendance	100%	88.97%	96.92%	94.78%	94.33%	95%	93.33%	97.74%	95.13%	
No of Lates	0	12	14	11	12	12	22	12		

Dates for your 2024 Diary						
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Number Day Jelly Bean Competition starts in aid of the NSPCC					
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	NSPCC Number Day					
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 6 Residential to Kingswood – departure at 9.30am					
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Reception Class Mass at 9am – Parents & Parishioners welcome					
	Year 6 Return from Kingswood – approx. 3pm					
	Break up for half term at 3.15pm					
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Return to School					
Tuesday 20th February	Family Workshop for the Sacramental Programme at 6pm					
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Year 6 Safe Squad					
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Little Bikers for Reception and Year 1					
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Class Mass at 9am – Parents & Parishioners welcome					
	TCSSA Annual Swimming Gala - evening					
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	TCSSA Cheerleading Competition					
	Sacrament of First Forgiveness at St Paul's Church at 7pm					
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Class Photographs					
Sunday 24th March	Start of Holy Week					
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	FOSP – Spring Sing at 3.30pm					
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Break up for Easter Holidays					
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of the Summer Term					