

The Federation of St Mary's Catholic Schools

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"

Philippians 4:13

Respect Compassion Resilience

Dear Parents and Carers,

Number Day

The children have had a fantastic time exploring number whilst raising money for a worthy cause, NSPCC. So far we have raised £102. Many thanks for your donations.

Y1M Collective Worship

Thank you to both the children and staff in Y1M this morning for leading our collective worship about Special People. They did a superb job! The children spoke about the importance of looking after each other, how we are all special people within our school and in the community and how there were lots of people in the Bible who looked after their friends. Many thanks for everyone who joined us.



After School Clubs

Please check that the details we have for you on Schoolmoney are correct. On Monday 5th February our after school club offer goes live at 4pm. The clubs need to be booked via School Money. Below is the after school club offer from 19th February until the end of the Spring term.

| | EYFS (Nursery and Reception) | KS1 (Years 1 and 2) |
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| Monday | Playdoh Challenge Club | Lego Club Choir Football (Year 2 only) |
| Tuesday | Arts and Crafts Club | |
| Thursday | | Sketching Club |

Read and Feed

On Wednesday, it was year 2's turn for Read and Feed which was very well attended. Parents and family members watched 'live' phonic and guided reading lessons

showing how new sounds were introduced and taught, the importance of vocabulary and types of questions that the children could be asked when reading at home. Thank you for supporting us.

Next week it is Nursery and Reception's Read and Feed at 2.45pm.

Enjoy your weekend,

Best wishes, Mrs Grange









Nursery

Nursery have had lots of fun this morning doing some activities for Number Day! We have been recognising our numerals 1-5 and then drawing different objects to match the numeral. We have also been looking at what each children have been wearing and trying to recognise the numbers.







Reception

In Reception we have had lots of fun making numbers using dominoes, singing counting songs, going on a number hunt and measuring using our feet.





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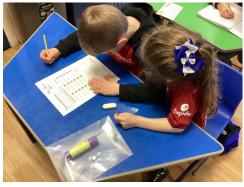


KS1

Year 1 have been working on number bonds to 10.

Year 2 have been looking at place value and subtraction and have enjoyed using this in order to crack codes.







AWARD WINNERS

| | Star of the Week | Bee Award |
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| Nursery | Betsy | Dolly |
| RJ | Jayden | Joshua |
| RT | Annie | Freya |
| УІМ | Y1M | Eliot |
| УIВ | Shyler | Gabe |
| У2М | Malwina | Max |
| У2G | Evelyn | Amber |



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Award



This half term

Dates for both Spring and Summer term have been emailed out this week. This half term's dates are below with the forthcoming week's highlighted.

| Reception Come in and Count | 10 th Jan 2.45pm |
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| Y3 and Y6 Read and Feed | 10 th Jan 3.00pm |
| TenTen: How to talk to your child about pornography @ Junior school | 11th Jan 6.00pm |
| SEND and pastoral pop-in @ Junior school for the whole Federation | 17 th Jan 2pm |
| Y1 and Y5 Read & Feed | 17 th Jan 2.45pm (Y1) and 3.00pm (Y5) |
| Y4 With You Always session | 17 th Jan 3.30-4.30pm |
| Y4 Read & Feed | 24 th Jan 3.00pm |
| Y4W Class Prayer and liturgy | 29 th Jan 9.10am |
| Y2 Read and Feed | 31 st Jan 2.45pm |
| NSPCC number day | 2 nd Feb – further information to follow |
| Y1M Class Prayer and liturgy | 2nd Feb 9.05am |
| Children's mental health week | WB 5 th Feb |
| Safer internet day | 6 th Feb |
| Infants' Parents Evening | 6th Feb 3.45pm –6pm |
| EYFS Read and Feed | 7 th Feb 2.45pm |
| Infants' & Juniors' Parents Evening | 7 th Feb 3.45pm –6pm |
| Juniors' Parents Evening | 8 th Feb 3.45pm onwards |
| Federation Art exhibition. All children will be producing a piece of art work during the week for you to view and buy. | 9 th Feb 8.30am-9,30am |



This week's prayer and liturgy theme:

February 2024

As we move into February, Spring is in the air and there are just a couple of weeks to catch our breath before Lent begins. We're well and truly into the new year!

If you have the feeling that you're constantly trying to juggle the needs of your family and having to prioritise an ever-increasing list of must-dos, take comfort in the Gospel for the week commencing 4th February – Jesus knew what it was like to be busy and He took time away to reset.

But despite His busyness, Jesus prioritised prayer – it's always possible to find time for the things we value. As this is a special Year of Prayer (a time of preparation for the Jubilee Year in 2025 - more on that later in the year!), perhaps this is an opportunity to try to prioritise prayer time in your family life.

TAKEHOME



In the news this week

A new BBC television programme, called Style It Out, gives nine young promising fashion designers from all over the UK the chance to compete in designing different outfits. The winner will have their clothes showcased at London Fashion Week. The main focuses of the challenge are creativity and sustainability, with the contestants having to use second-hand materials. As people's awareness of the impact of fast fashion increases, sustainable clothing is becoming more at the forefront of shoppers' minds.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Can you remember the last item of clothing you bought or were given? Where was it from and what was it for?
- What does 'being fashionable' mean to you? Is it important to you? Talk to others at home.
- What do you do with the clothes that you no longer need or that no longer fit?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments







