



HEADLINES

	JANUARY
31 st	Family Parish Mass @6pm Y4/Y1
	FEBRUARY
3 rd	Y3 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am Mass @ 9am Online Safety Sessions all classes see Arbor message
4 th	Y4 Library visit remember your library card Y6 visit to Mosque
6 th	Valentines Discos EYFS @ 4pm KS1 @ 5pm KS2 @6:15pm
7 th	Family Parish Mass @6pm Mini Vinnies/GIFT/Caritas
10 th	Y2 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am Mass @ 9am Safer Internet Day in School focus on AI
11 th	Y3 Library visit remember your library card Y3 visit to Mandir Visit to Y4 by Jewish expert
12 th	Parents invited to stay & pray, then here about our faith, day of Witness 9-10:30am
13 th	Celebration Assembly parents invited 9am PTA coffee prior to assembly from 8:30am Y3 Trip to Birmingham Museum
23 rd	Return to school. Y4 Swimming starts 2:30pm Year 1 Phonics meeting for parents
24 th	Y6 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am Mass @ 9am
25 th	Y5 Mass in school @ 9am
27 th	Vocations Afternoon
28 th	Family Parish Mass 6pm in Church Reception and Year 6 Mr Cash will play music
	MARCH
2 nd	Secondary School Offer Day PTA Meeting in school @ 6pm
3 rd	Little Town for Nursery/Reception and Year 1 Y5 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am
6 th	World Book Day -wearing recycled/reuse clothes or your PJs
7 th	Y5/N Family Parish Mass @ 6pm
	Important Dates
11 th May	SATS Week Y6
18/19 May	Finding Nemo Production @ 6pm

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The word is **Happiness**. We all know that we find true happiness when we are closest to those we love - let us spread happiness and love this week.

Mass Tuesday 3rd February @ 9am @ Church Y3 arrive at 8:45am. No Wednesday Mass in school this half term.

Headteacher Message



This week has seen some fantastic learning happening in school, particularly our multi-cultural work. It is a wonderful opportunity for children to learn about other faiths, developing respect and tolerance for them, as we all live in God's beautiful world together. Year 5's trip to the Gurdwara was excellent, we look forward to the other trips over the next two weeks. Well done Year 5 for being such excellent ambassadors for our school.

Our swimmers were excellent giving great performances and finishing an excellent 8th out of 17 schools, well done.

Years 4 and 1 are invited to celebrate family Mass together on Saturday at 6pm, the children will take a lead role in this Mass, so please come along and join us as a school/parish community in prayer.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone and remember next Friday we will host school discos - how exciting!!

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Nursery This week our story of the week has been 'Mog and the V.E.T'. The children have enjoyed drawing pictures of Mog and talking about how to take extra care when including key features such as tails, paws and eyes. In maths, we have been sorting animals into big and small groups, helping the children to develop their early comparison and classification skills. The children are really enjoying their PE lesson on a Friday. Please ensure your child has PE trainers to change into every Friday.

Mr Johnston Mrs Lingwood and the Nursery Team

Reception We've had an interesting week in Reception this week with our Chinese New Year celebrations. The children have loved learning how to say hello in Mandarin, naming the animals from the Chinese New Year zodiac story and making paintings of Nian the dragon. The food tasting activity will take place next week along with our visit to the library. Well done everyone for being brilliant! Keep it up!

Mrs Turley and the early years team.

Year 1. Year 1 had a lovely time this week learning about Muslim faith as part of Multi-cultural week. We really enjoyed our visitor Rushna who shared her faith with us and helped us to understand the ablution process when going into the Mosque. Can your child remember which parts of the body are washed before they pray? We learnt also about Zamzam water and how they pray using a prayer mat. Can your child tell you what they might find in the Mosque? Can your child remember the name of the celebration where Muslims fast for 30 days?

Mrs McCabe

Year 2 Year 2 have really enjoyed Multicultural week and learning all about Buddhism. We read lots of interesting facts and the story of the Buddha, explored important Buddhist symbols and made our own Vesak lanterns! We also started our new Geography topic which focuses upon continents and oceans, and we look forward to learning more about our wonderful world and God's special people that live in it. You all worked really hard during our end of topic quiz on the use of everyday materials in Science- well done! Have a lovely weekend everyone

Miss Regan

Year 3 Well done year 3 on a great week of learning. We have been finding out about Hinduism and the children have been very inquisitive and excellent at applying their learning. They have started fact files about Hinduism on google classroom. If they wish to finish these at home, and hand in to Mrs Johnston for their R.E homework next week, they are welcome to. We also look forward to our visit to the Mandir in the last week of term. We are on the spellings that begin with the prefix mis for our test on Monday, should there be any confusion. Enjoy your weekend.

Mrs Robinson and Mr Johnston

Year 4 Another busy week in Year 4! This week, we have enjoyed learning all about Judaism as part of our multi-cultural work! We learnt about the celebrations of Shabbat and Yom Kippur and have planned some questions to ask our speaker who will be coming into school in a couple of weeks. This week, we also edited and finalised our newspaper reports about Boudica's rebellion. The children brought these home to show you on Thursday so hopefully you enjoyed seeing their brilliant work. We've also been continuing our coding work in Computing and have been using 'if' statements to generate our computer programs. Have a great weekend everyone!

Miss Jones

Year 5 We have had a wonderful multi-cultural week in Year 5. We have learnt so much about Sikhism and enjoyed a great trip to the Gurdwara on Tuesday morning. As well as this, we have finished off our History and Geography units so will be moving on to learning about the Ancient Maya next week - can't wait! Please continue to use TTRS at home to practise your times tables and the new Twinkl spelling website to earn gems when practising spellings. Enjoy your weekend!

Mr Caddick

Year 6 What a fantastic Multicultural week we have had Year 6! You were so attentive and asked some excellent questions when Abdul came to talk to us about Islam and his faith. Your work on Hajj is going to be amazing - you have all made a fantastic start on your posters and they will look beautiful on display. Your English descriptive writing has improved so much - I know that your final edited pieces will be work to be proud of. Keep working on the spelling games at home and remember to complete your English homework tasks. Next week you will be given some daily maths questions for homework.

Miss Keedwell

Headteacher Awards

Nursery:	Cara & Poppy JW
Reception:	Mila K & Vian
Year 1:	Delphine & Rae
Year 2:	Rory & Riley
Year 3:	Nora & Santiago
Year 4:	Frederic & Ted
Year 5:	Lachlan & Alexander
Year 6:	Declan &

Awards will be given in Monday morning assembly, congratulations all on your hard work.



Rock Hero -

Well done and keep practising I know the new IPADS are making a real difference.

Please use this email postbox@st-annes.walsall.sch.uk to notify of changes in collection arrangements. Teachers will not always see parent's emails during the teaching day, alternatively please telephone the school office.

Thank you

Learn Its - movers Congratulations to those children who have moved this week.

Year 1: Kingsley, Rocky, James, Sienna, Hudson, Cillian, Scarlett, Jude, Rae, Amber, Eloise, Imogen, Dexter & Ella L

Year 2:

Year 3: Isla and Conor

Year 4: Grace, Matilda, Honor, Ted, Ashton, Olive, Ruairi, Jenny, Lyla, Daisy, Anderson



Sporting Achievements this year.

Don't forget to tell us about your out of school achievements. Email Mrs Baynham-Hughes on

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Year Group	Achievement
Y2	Francesca for her 400m swimming badge
Y3	Charlie scored an amazing goal for his team at the weekend
Y3	Scored for her netball team Little Sutton at the weekend
Y4	Finn voted player of the match for Ace Leverkusen
Y4	Honor scored and received player of the match for the second week for Ace Miami.
Y4	Daisy/Honor played in an U9 game at Leicester's amazing facilities
Y4	Lola B trainer of the week for Sutton Town

Sportsmanship award Ross (Y6) Fantastic efforts in football on the MUGA at lunchtime.



A huge well done to the year 6 swim team who attended the School Games Gala at Walsall Gala Baths on Tuesday. A special mention to those children who took part in the Butterfly races - not an easy task to do at all but you went out there with a huge amount of determination to try your best for the team. The team came a very respectable 8th out of 17 teams.

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This half term our Catholic Social Teaching is Subsidiarity.

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Subsidiarity

Sid the sheep's story



Sid enjoys hanging out with his flock in his favourite field. Sometimes their owner, Farmer Dale asks them to move to a new field where the grass is a bit greener but they have come to realise that one field has nicer tasting grass.

One day Farmer Dale tells them they'd be moving fields again, but Sid and his cousins explained that they'd prefer to stay for a few more days until the grass had been eaten. At first Farmer Dale wasn't happy, but then he realised that the sheep were in a better position to make the decision and it actually affected them most. Now Farmer Dale spends more time listening to the sheep.

Sid's story helps us to remember that everyone has important ideas and knows what is best for their families and communities. They need to have a say in decisions which affect them.

Based on the gospel for Sunday 1 February, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary
Time: Matthew 5:1-12a

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "

The Beatitudes open with a promise that turns worldly assumptions upside down. Jesus blesses the people who are often overlooked: those who grieve, those who hunger for justice, those who strive for peace, and those who refuse to give up when the world feels harsh. These blessings are not abstract ideals. They are a call to live differently.

When Jesus names the poor in spirit, the merciful and the peacemakers, he invites us to recognise the dignity of those who are pushed aside. Around the world, people face hunger, conflict and environmental destruction. Yet so often these same communities show remarkable courage, generosity and hope.

CAFOD's partners see this every day. In regions affected by climate disasters, communities work together to rebuild homes, restore crops and protect one another. Their resilience echoes the heart of the Beatitudes: real strength grows where people support each other, and real peace begins when we choose compassion over indifference.

The Beatitudes ask us to examine our own choices. Where do we need to be more merciful? Whose suffering have we ignored? How can we stand alongside those working for justice, whether in our neighbourhoods or across the world?

Prayer: God of compassion, open my eyes to those who are overlooked. Shape my heart to hunger for justice and to work for peace, so that all your children may live in dignity. Amen.

Racial Justice Sunday

This Sunday is Racial Justice Sunday, with the theme: "Whoever loves God must also love his brother" (1 John 4:21)



January Homework Building the Kingdom

This month sees us focus on different religions in school. The children will learn about a different religion from Year 1 to Year 6.

Year 1 - Islam

Year 2 - Buddhism

Year 3 - Hindu

Year 4 - Judaism

Year 5 - Sikhism

Year 6 - Islam

The project this month is to research any religion and complete a piece of work on it, this can be presented in any format. Teachers will reward those children who have really embraced the learning.



Livesimply

Thank you for your support

How can we live simply this week? Try to reduce food wastage, can we clear the items on our plates?