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to always do our best.



This week we launched the Church Jubilee! The theme is Pilgrims of Hope! Mrs Galvin opened the Jubilee Holy Door and we all entered through, joining in liturgy. We celebrated this exciting time in prayer, song and reflection. Today, we joined in celebration with schools across the Diocese in a special live stream led by Archbishop Bernard; how wonderful to come together as a community. We can not wait for the year of more celebrations ahead!

As part of our promise to walk with Jesus throughout the holy year showing kindness, love and compassion to others so that they have HOPE for the future, we began to deliver Parcels of Hope to those in our community—parcels of bulbs that we HOPE will grow and bloom as our faith does also. Our first parcel went with Mrs Thomas to Mr Gallagher at St John the Baptist Primary School!



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Catholic Life and Mission

The God Who Speaks—

The children heard how Pope Francis has invited Catholics to renew hope for themselves and for others.



Mini Mission

Pope Francis said , 'Let us bring the light of hope and the message of God's love to every corner of the world.'

Our children were asked to go home and tell their family about this special jubilee year and share the logo and its meaning

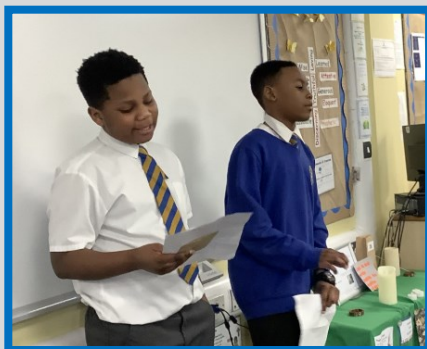


Fundamental British Values



Democracy

Leopold and Emmanuel have voiced that they would like to hold a non-uniform day for Asthma awareness. They were set a challenge to involve the rest of the school by encouraging them to ask a question or share a fact about asthma. They need 80 returned to reach their target, which will be awarded with a non- uniform day. The children asked and we listened! Every child has the right to have a say in all matters affecting them (Article 12).



Virtues of the Half Term

And

Catholic Social Teachings

Values and Virtues

Grateful and Generous

We are growing to be **grateful** for our own gifts, for the gift of other people, and for the blessings of each day; and **generous** with our gifts.

Catholic Social Teachings

Rights and Responsibilities

We all deserve basic rights of living. With rights come great responsibility to help others to access their rights too

Values and Virtues Awards

Infants

Juniors

Zurriel - Nursery

Mayumi - 4M



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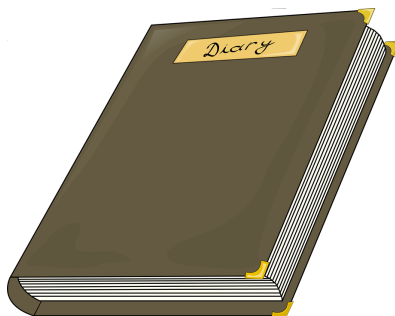
Dates for your Diary

These dates are subject to change and more may be added also. Please keep checking

Date	
10th - 12th February	Year 6 Trip to Alton Castle
Thurs 13th February	Compass Coffee Morning - Worries Workshop 9am-10am and School Dinner taste tests!
Fri 14th February	Children break up for half term
Monday 24th February	School INSET day
Tuesday 25th February	Children return to school
12th March	Parents' Evening

REMINDER YR 6 PARENTS

The third instalment for the Alton Castle Trip is due Monday 24th February 2025. If there any issues please let us know as soon as possible.
Thank you



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Attendance Prize Week!

WINNERS!



Congratulations to YEAR 1 for winning Attendance Prize Week!

You win a parent workshop!

We will be in touch with details of your workshop

You have to be in to win!



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Attendance—Target—95%!



Class	%
RB	89.6
1DS	86.1
1P	97.8
2B	94.8
2M	90.8
3FS	94.1
3G	91.3
4G	95.2
4M	94.0
5T	89.9
5W	84.7
6B	96.2
6P	90.8
Whole school	91.5



Sweet treats for
the winning class!

If class teachers are
concerned about your child's
attendance they will speak to you in the first in-
stance and work with you to put
something in place to improve this



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Awards

Each week, we recognise the special achievements of our children in our
Celebration Assembly

It's a celebration of our God given gifts and talents

'What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is your gift to God'



Merit of the Week

Nurs	Betty	RB	Zainab
1P	Olamiposi	1DS	Isiah
2B	Izhaan	2M	Ollie
3FS	Malaika	3G	Affan
4G	Yahya	4M	Remirez
5T	Whole Class	5W	Whole Class
6B	Ayden	6P	Sam

Reader of the Week

1DS	Leonardo	1P	Amaira
2B	Alan	2M	Ted
3FS	Jacob	3G	Alex
4G	Olivia	4M	Aariz
5T	Mujtaba	5W	Sarim
6B	Eurabena	6P	Mahmoud

Wise Owl

Isabella - 2M

Sports Award

Keira - 6P

Music Award

The whole of Yr3

Artist of the Week

Reuben - 2B

Lunchtime Awards

Hyab - Nursery

Abigail - Yr4

Class - 5T

Well Done Everyone!



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A message from Miss Brown—Author of the Term



Our current author is
Mairi Hedderwick

Mairi Hedderwick is the author and
illustrator of the much loved Katie
Morag series of children's books.



[https://www.bbc.co.uk/events/evfp5v/play/a4mwrz/
p01mqhz7](https://www.bbc.co.uk/events/evfp5v/play/a4mwrz/p01mqhz7)

Click or paste the link to watch the author being interviewed
about how she comes up with ideas for her stories!





A message from Miss McGrath—Composer of the term

Hans Zimmer

Pop –orchestral
(Film scores)



Born: 12 September 1957
Nationality: German

Famous piece of music:

Circle of Life from the Lion King

- Born in Frankfurt in 1957, Zimmer attended boarding school in Switzerland before moving to England in his teens. His middle name is... Florian!
- Hans Zimmer is self taught! Though he received some piano tuition as a child, his natural curiosity and eagerness to experiment saw him abandon formal training
- Zimmer is a multi-instrumentalist, at home with a guitar in his hands, or at the keyboard of a piano or synthesiser. Electronic music-making has formed a large part of Zimmer's career
- It was at the keyboard where Hans Zimmer began his professional life as a musician, performing in bands in the late 1970s and into the '80s.
- Zimmer has written music for some of the most successful films and franchises in recent years
- *Gladiator* will be familiar to millions, not to mention his music for the *Pirates of the Caribbean* series. Then there's *The Dark Knight*, *Inception* and even *The Lion King*!
- While Elton John and Tim Rice wrote the songs to the *Lion King*, it was Zimmer who provided the emotional heart of the film's soundtrack. He even won an Oscar for it. It was the first in a long line of animated features Zimmer would compose music for, from *The Prince of Egypt* to *Kung Fu Panda*.

<https://youtu.be/w1B3Mgklfd0>

Click or paste the link to listen to Hans Zimmer's soundtrack from
The Dark Knight





A message from Miss Gripton—Artist of the half term

Spring 1

Frida Kahlo



Self-portraits

Mexican disabled
artist whose work is
famous for empowering
women



This half term, the spotlight artist is Frida
Kahlo

Watch this short video to find out how to draw a
picture of the artist!

Copy and paste into your search bar.

[https://youtu.be/vqpAsX3nVtA?
si=NTJVwbq2pSXj2ke4](https://youtu.be/vqpAsX3nVtA?si=NTJVwbq2pSXj2ke4)



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Votes for Schools

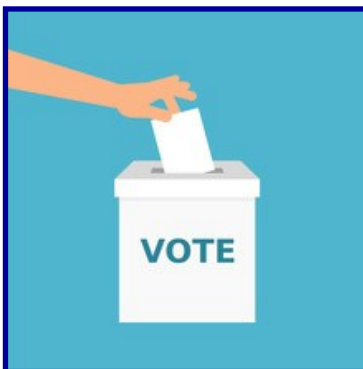
One per half term, we present children in assembly with a discussion point around an issue in current affairs.

**This half term, we learnt about 'City of Culture'
And asked, could a year of improve you life.
What do you think?**

City of Culture 2025 is Bradford, but we look at what our own city of Birmingham has on offer

This weekend, why not pop along to ...

A promotional poster for the Birmingham Chinese New Year Festival 2025. The poster features a yellow background on the left with text, a central image of two lion dancers in red and gold costumes, and a red vertical banner on the right with the Chinese characters '新年快乐' (Happy New Year) and 'BIRMINGHAM CHINESE NEW YEAR FESTIVAL' in English. The text on the yellow background includes: 'Family & Pantomime, Festivals & Outdoor Events', 'Chinese New Year 2025', 'Co-produced by Birmingham Chinese Festival Committee and Birmingham Hippodrome', 'Sat 1 & Sun 2 Feb', and 'FREE'.



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Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and all the staff

A prayer of hope

God, our loving Father,
in this Jubilee Year,
you remind us of our call to love creation.
Help us to work together
to replant, repair, and renew.

**Guide us on our journey
as pilgrims of hope.**

Jesus, our light,
In this Jubilee Year,
you remind us of our call to love
our neighbours
and to set free those who suffer.
Help us to treat everyone with dignity,
to be fair, forgiving and kind.

**Guide us on our journey
as pilgrims of hope.**

Holy Spirit, our inspiration,
in this Jubilee Year, you remind us of our
call to grow in faith and love.
Help us to hear you in scripture, to see
Jesus in others,
and to be united as God's global family.

**Guide us on our journey
as pilgrims of hope.**

Amen

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