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Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Message

Well done everybody on a successful first half term!
What a lot we have achieved:

- A successful Catholic Schools Inspection
- The launch of our new school curriculum
- 2 x parent coffee mornings
- The formation of our new pupil leader groups
- 2 x successful parents' evenings
- The welcoming and induction of new staff and pupils
- Our first MAC shared liturgy—we have taken part in 2!
- Celebration of Black History Month
- The celebration of the Holy Rosary
- A successful Season of Creation
- The completion of our outdoor FAITH SPACE
- Ready, Respectful and Safe children !

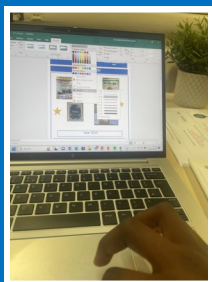
AND MUCH MORE!!

CONGRATULATIONS to Chanell, who competed in the ICO World
Combat Sports Championships in Hull.

She was awarded 2nd time World champion for kick boxing— she won 2 golds! This is **AMAZING** and we are so proud! A marvellous display of her God-given talents...lots of dedication and training has led to this. Well done, Chanell!

Thank you for your support over what has been a very long half term : we are all ready to recharge and get ready for an exciting half term leading up to Christmas.

Thank you for your generosity raising money for Cafod and for donating goods for Harvest Festival.



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Catholic Life and Mission

The God who Speaks

'Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

(1 Corinthians 13:4-7)

This week we reflected upon what scripture teaches us about love for others and declared ourselves an anti bullying school.

MINI MISSION

Share love with others—kind words and actions



Catholic Schools' Pupil Profile : Values and Virtues

Infants

Juniors

Eiman (26)

Anayah (66)

Catholic Social Teachings

This half Term we have celebrated being

STEWARDS OF CREATION!



Each class has taken on a project : from bee bomb planting, to donating food to food banks, from recycling to making bird feeders, from turning off unwanted lights to putting litter in the bin, we have certainly shown our love for God's beautiful planet.



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Virtues of the Half Term



This half term, we are

Grateful and Generous

Thank you for your kind donations this half term to Cafod, food banks and our clothing bank.

Your generosity doesn't go un-noticed and for that we are truly grateful.



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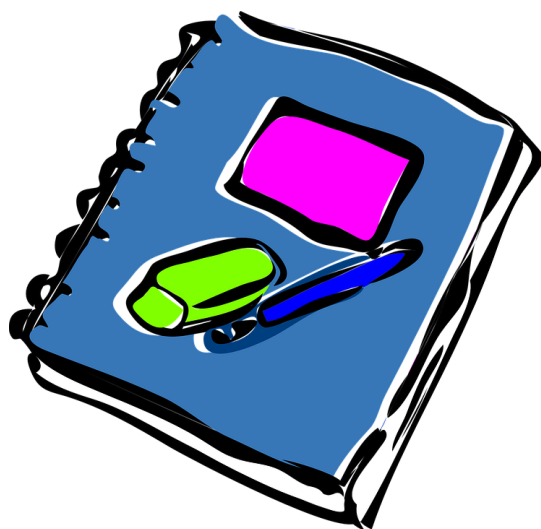
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Dates for your Diary

Teacher Days for Academic year 2023-24

~~Monday 4th September 2023~~
~~Friday 29th September 2023~~
Friday 27th October 2023
Monday 19th February 2024
Monday 22nd July 2024

Date	Event (more dates will be added as finalised, so please continue to check)
25th October	Harvest Festival
27th October	INSET day—children finish for half term on 26th October
6th November	Back to School
9th November	Y6 Confirmation — time to be confirmed



ATTENDANCE PRIZE WEEK!

6-10th November

COME TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY
AND WIN A MYSTERY PRIZE!
EVERY CLASS OVER 95%
ENTERS THE DRAW FOR A
MEGA PRIZE!

YOU'VE GOT TO BE IN
TO WIN!



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Black History Month



Our composers of the week, are

Ladysmith Black Mambazo

Ladysmith Black Mambazo are a South African music group founded in 1964. Their founder, Joseph Shabalala was a young musician who wanted to share and shed a new light on the zulu music tradition. They are an acappella group, which means that they play and sing without music—all of the music you hear from them is made with their voices!

Have a listen!

<https://youtu.be/IbjkAsQoZjs>



Mrs Husted's Homework and School Council Competition

Find a way to celebrate Black History and bring in your work for us to share and display at school! You might:

- * Create a piece of artwork
- * Research a significant figure in black history - this might be someone in your family who you think has achieved something amazing!
- * Write a poem
- * Find a different way of your choosing!



School House Captains now have the winners chosen, and this will be announced after the half term break!



Vaccinations - a message from Birmingham City Council



25/10/2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Measles (MMR) Vaccine Reminder

As half term approaches, this is an ideal time to get up to date with the measles (MMR) vaccination. There has been a recent rise in measles cases across the country. Birmingham and Solihull have low MMR vaccination rates and there is a risk of a measles outbreak this winter.

Measles is a highly infectious disease, which can be very serious. The MMR vaccination is recommended to help protect you, your child and loved ones against measles. Two doses of the MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection. The vaccination is free of charge.

Anyone unvaccinated who is exposed to someone with measles may be advised to isolate for 3 weeks. This would disrupt their learning or work, and this could happen repeatedly. If exposure happened again, another 3 week isolation period would be required each time.

Children and adults can catch up on any missed vaccinations by contacting their GP practice. Children should have the first dose at 1 year old and the second dose at 3 years and 4 months old. Two doses of the MMR can provide life-long immunity.

Vaccination will also help prevent the spread of measles. The MMR vaccination also protects against mumps and rubella.

Please contact your GP to book an appointment for Measles (MMR) vaccination.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Mary Orhewere FFPH
Assistant Director, Environmental Public Health, Health Protection & Place
Birmingham City Council

For more information visit: [Measles - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

As a reminder you can use this section to record the date and time of your child's vaccination appointment:

on: ____/____/____ at ____am/pm

Date

Time

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Uniform

A **MASSIVE thank you** to the effort that you have made with sending your children to school in the correct uniform since September.

As you know, we asked, this year, for children to wear ties and the **MAJORITY** of our children have been remembering to wear them! They make **SUCH** a difference and show that our wonderful pupils are **READY** to learn.

Look on our photographs to see how smart our children look!

Now, we need to talk about PE kits!

A reminder from Mrs Gregory, our PE coordinator

A reminder that our PE kits are

- pale blue t-shirt
- black shorts
- pumps/trainers.

If your child does not have the correct PE kit in school - they will not be able to participate in the lesson.

On PE days, they **MUST** come to school in school uniform and change at the appropriate time.

They will also be expected to change back out of their PE kits into their school uniform.

If you are struggling to purchase PE kit, please speak to Miss Donald and we may be able to help.

10 dojos for every child in the correct kit between now and half term!



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Attendance

This year we have simplified our attendance awards, but the message is the same...

You have to be in to win!

Weekly

The class who have the best attendance **above 95%**

wins

Free Choice Friday at morning playtime the following week.

Classes have decided what their Free Choice Friday treat will be ready for when they win!

Termly

Pupils will get a certificate if they achieve 95% and above attendance

One term of 95% bronze certificate

Two terms of 95% silver certificate

Three terms of 95% gold certificate

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

Please note that holidays in term time will NOT be authorised.

OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 95%. This week we have achieved 89.8%

Class	%
RBB	86.5%
RDG	87.9%
1DS	88.8%
1P	92.4%
2G	88.5%
2M	92%
3CM	91.3%
3G	86.8%
4C	91.6%
4S	86.4%
5P	91.3%
5B	87%
6G	94.1%
6W	90%

The class winning Free Choice Friday this
week is ...

6G



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Throughout the year, we will also be doing Attendance Prize Weeks!

On these weeks, your child is aiming for 100% attendance—we want them into school EVERY SINGLE DAY!

For those who do come in every day, they will win a mystery prize.

The classes with the best attendance will be put into a draw and the winners will win a MEGA mystery prize!



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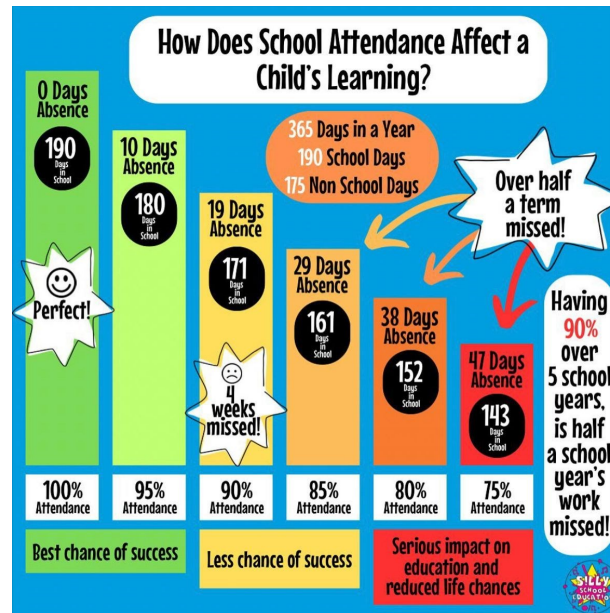
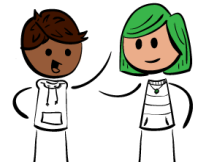
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Talking Point

A talking point for you and your children.

WHY SHOULD YOU COME TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY?



1. You might achieve so much that you will win an award!
2. You will socialise with your friends
3. You will feel 'part of the family'
4. You will be well prepared for the future
5. It's fun!

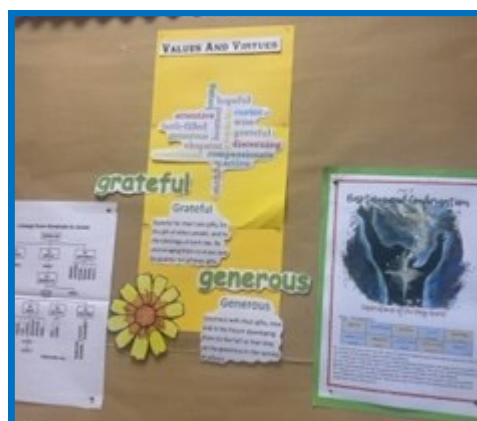
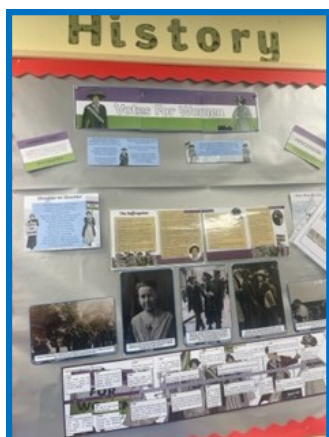
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Sneak peek!



Year SIX!

Congratulations to Miss Carthy, who has flown off to pastures new, to use her dinner supervisor skills elsewhere!

Have a wonderful half term break. Rest and re charge and we will see you back on 6th Nov.

Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and all the Staff

