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## Our Mission:

We strive to  
follow Christ example ,  
to always do our best.



### Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Message

Good afternoon! Welcome back to school. We hope that you had a restful half term and are fired up and ready to go for the second half of the Autumn term.

We have lots planned for this half term, so please see our schedule of events to make sure that you can keep up!

Congratulations to Victoria who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this week alongside children from Guardian Angels and St John the Baptist Schools'. A wonderful occasion!

**ON TUESDAY, AT 9AM, MRS MILLIGAN AND MRS HUSTED WILL BE HOLDING A COFFEE MORNING! COME ALONG FOR A DRINK AND A CHAT!**

Please hold in your thoughts and prayers, Billie-Louise Heaney and her family—her sister Ellie -Mae, who is one of our past pupils and mum Nikki . Over the school holidays, Billie and Ellie's dad and Nikki's husband, Phil, sadly passed away, unexpectedly. Thank you to all those who have supported the family during this extremely difficult time.

Billie and Ellie have set up a fundraising page to support them in funding a rainbow coloured hearse in order to reflect their dad's bright and sunny personality. If you wish to donate, please use the following link

<https://gofund.me/c94bdc99>



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## Catholic Life and Mission

### The God who Speaks

*This week, we heard the Gospel from Matthew about The Servant King*

We reflected on being humble and allowing others to be the most important people in the room.

#### MINI MISSION

**This week, we remembered to celebrate those in our family and community who have passed away let's put them first in our minds. We remember the joy they brought to our lives and though we are sad, share the joy that they brought to other people. We asked our children to bring in something that reminds them of those people and have begun to build a special prayer space in our classrooms.**



### Catholic Schools' Pupil Profile : Values and Virtues

#### Infants

#### Juniors

Lucas (2G)

Hadia, Armani (6G)

### Fundamental British Values



**This half term, in focussing on Family and Community...**

We respect the needs of all and their right to an acceptable standard of life.

Please see our Family and Community schedule of events to see how we plan to respect the needs of all.

### Virtues of the Half Term

And

### Catholic Social Teachings



This half term, we are

**Attentive and Discerning**

Please look at our events list to celebrate ourselves as a

**Family and Community**

We are attentive to the needs of others in all that we do this half term. We ask you to support us as best you can.



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## Anti Bullying : A message from Mrs Galvin

Anti-Bullying Week 2023 takes place from Monday 13th - Friday 17th November with the theme 'Make A Noise About Bullying'.

This Anti-Bullying Week the children will come together to have discussions about what we mean by bullying behaviour, how we can tell the difference between 'banter' and bullying and how we can make changes to reduce bullying.

Together, we can make a difference if we make a noise to stop bullying. **Every child has the right to have a say in all matters affecting them, and to have their views taken seriously (Article 12).**

**We will kick off the week with Odd Socks Day on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November.** Odd Socks Day is a chance for us to celebrate that we are an Anti-Bullying School.

### NSPCC- Speak out Stay Safe

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November the children will be participating in the NSPCC's Speak out, stay safe programme. This programme aims to help children understand abuse in all forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or ChildLine.

This child friendly programme is aligned with the curriculum and consists of age appropriate virtual assemblies and supporting classroom based activities which we have reviewed. The content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy. If you would like to know more about the Speak out. Stay safe. programme visit [www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout).

**Every child has the right to be protected from all forms of abuse (Article 19).**



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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)
9th November	Y6 Confirmation — time to be confirmed
10th Nov	Non uniform - bring a bottle for the Christmas Fayre
13th Nov	Anti Bullying Week begins -WEAR ODD SOCKS
14th Nov	Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Coffee morning
17th Nov	Non uniform—bring toiletries for the Christmas Fayre
21st Nov	Year 2 Stay and Pray
24th Nov	Non uniform—bring pre loved toys and games—good condition—for Christmas Fayre
1st Dec	Non uniform—bring cakes for the Christmas Fayre
1st Dec	Christmas fayre
4th December	Attendance Prize Week
6th Dec	Bring a loved one to Christmas lunch
8th Dec	Jolly Christmas Jumper Day—£1 donation for Birmingham Children's Hospital
11th Dec	Singing at Care Home
19th Dec 9:30am	Nursery and Reception Nativity
20th Dec 2pm	Years 1-6 Christmas Concert



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## Composer of the Week



Our composers of the week, are

# Johann Sebastian Bach

Johann Sebastian Bach is often talked about as one of the world's greatest composers!

He was extremely talented at playing the organ and harpsichord.

Today the music of Bach is still valued HUGELY and is performed frequently.

Have a listen!

<https://youtu.be/I76d7JZuG2g?si=8COAfWbUehD-aweR>



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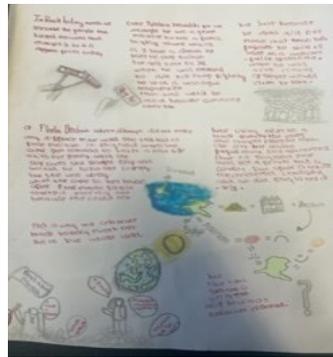


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## Mrs Husted's Homework and School Council Competition

We are delighted to announce, that the winner of the Black History Month Competition, as chosen by our House Captains was...

Well done to Adam! (6W)



he wins a fabulous black history book to share at home!

Runners up won, of course, tasty chocolate!

Well done Jan (2M) and Olivia (3CM)



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## Walk to School a message from Mrs Dunleavy



**St Wilfrid's School  
is a SAFE and HEALTHY  
school!**

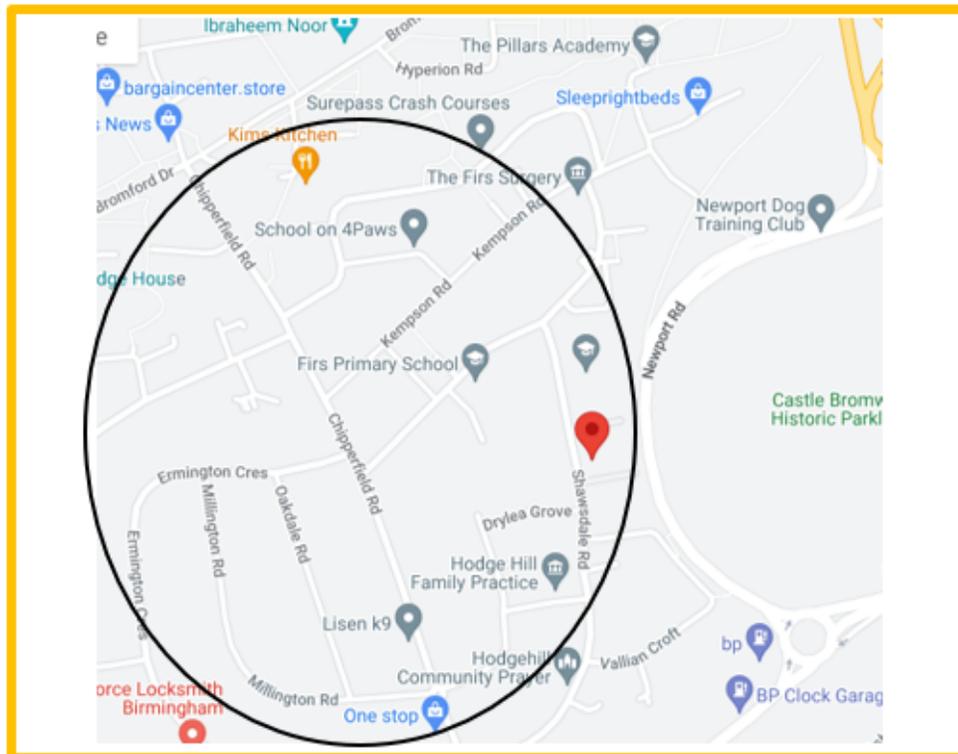


Please help us keep the road outside our  
school safe for all

**Do not stop on or near the yellow zig-zag lines**  
**Can't walk to school? ... 'Park and Stride' instead**  
**It's better for you, your child, and our air quality!**

Walking half a mile only takes between 8 and 17  
minutes depending how fast you walk. (Walking burns  
almost as many calories as running the same distance!)

Walking this short distance contributes  
to your child's recommended one hour  
a day of physical exercise



If you live outside of the area, please park further away from school and "park and stride".

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## Awards

Each week, our children will be awarded certificates/trophies in Celebration Assembly .

This is a celebration of their God given talents and skills!

Please send in any awards they have achieved outside of school.



Class	
Nurs	Maryam
RDG	Molly-Mae
RBB	Lilly
1DS	Ayaan
1P	Ethan
2M	Keon
2G	Cullen
3G	Mayumi
3CM	Kaiden
4C	Connor
4S	Daanish
5B	Logan
5P	Leo
6G	Victoria
6W	Asaad
Music	Asaad (6W)
Sport	Kacey (6W)
Wise Owl	Alexis (2G)
Lunchtime	Albie (RDG), Sarim (4S), 3CM



Let's  
**Celebrate**





## Attendance—Target 95%

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

Class	%
RDG	91.4
RBB	91.9
1DS	86.5
1P	94
2G	93.8
2M	97.5
3CM	97.9
3G	91.1
4C	95.4
4S	96.6
5P	92.4
5B	95.7
6G	94
6W	94

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

### Improved Attendance

11 out of 13 classes

### % of children who came to school 100% of the time

84%

a great start...lets' keep pushing this number up!

### Classes achieving at and above 95% overall

5

(2M, 3CM, 4S, 4C AND 5B)

As compared to 0 during the previous week!

These classes all get extra play.

**BUT ONE OF THESE CLASSES WAS PULLED OUT OF THE DRAW FOR THE MEGA MYSTERY PRIZE...**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO 3CM WHO WILL BE INVITED TO A SPECIAL BREAKFAST PREPARED BY  
JANIS! Look out for your invite!**



### 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



## Talking Point



This week, we use the information available on  
[www.britishlegion.org.uk](http://www.britishlegion.org.uk)

**The poppy has been a symbol of Remembrance for over 100 years**

The poppy became a symbol of Remembrance and hope for a peaceful future in the aftermath of the First World War.

**There is no 'correct' way to wear a poppy**

Wearing a poppy is a personal choice reflecting individual and personal memories.  
How do you wear yours?



**The poppy is red because that's the natural colour of the poppy flower**

During the First World War previously beautiful countryside was blasted, bombed and fought over, again and again. The landscape swiftly turned to fields of mud where little or nothing could grow.

But out of this devastation the delicate but resilient bright red Flanders poppies grew and flourished in their thousands.

**The red poppy directly supports the Armed Forces community**

The red poppy is worn as a show of support for the Armed Forces communities across the UK, Allied Forces and the Commonwealth.

Only donations from the sale of our red poppies go directly towards helping the Armed Forces community.

**Poppies are recyclable**

For the 2023 Poppy Appeal we are introducing new plastic-free poppies alongside our remaining stocks of the current poppy.

Plastic-free poppies can be recycled in ordinary paper recycling collections.



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## And finally...

We pray for all those within our community, who have lost loved ones recently.  
We ask God to comfort and protect them during this difficult time.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and all the Staff

