



YOUR TUESDAY NEWS

Date: Tuesday 6th February 2018

Through the sign of the cross we follow Jesus

Dear Parents, Carers and Parishioners



Monday's Worship focused on the Children's Mental Health Week theme '**Being Ourselves**'. There are many ways that we are all similar but every person has their own unique strengths and qualities. Worship began with the children watching a video of how snowflakes are formed. Mrs Winnery told the children that snowflakes are often called 'nature's wonders' as every snowflake is unique. In the same way that the snowflakes are all different, so are we.

Mrs Winnery explained that there were billions of people in the world but every single person was different. Not only are we unique in the way we look but also in the things we are interested in, the way we think, feel and behave. The children were asked to close their eyes and think of three things they liked about themselves. Some people found this harder than others and Mrs Winnery explained it was important to feel good about ourselves. Some children felt confident sharing with others what made them unique. Nathan in Year 6 said he liked that he was creative and Malachy in Year 2 recognised his special quality was his calmness.

Next, the children considered the importance of celebrating what was special and unique about themselves and others and the importance of showing respect. To highlight this the children were introduced to the story 'We're All Wonders' by R J Palacio. When asked to say what had they learnt from the story Danyaal in Year 6 summed up the message perfectly by saying, "We have to see people with kindness". Worship ended with Psalm 139 in which we were reminded that we are all '**so amazingly and miraculously made**', special and unique, just as God had created us.

Miss Burgess, Mr Copley, Mrs Walsh & Mrs Winnery

Year 3 Class Worship

Year 3 will be having their Class Worship this **Thursday 8th February** starting at **9.10am**. All parents are welcome to attend.

Celebration Worship

Everyone is invited to our Celebration Worship this **Friday at 9.10am**. In this Worship we celebrate class and individual achievements. Everyone is welcome.

Ash Service

Because Ash Wednesday falls within our half term break we are holding an **Ash Service** with Father Gregory on our first day back, on **Monday 19th February, at 2.30pm**. It would be lovely to see some of our parents, friends and parishioners to share this occasion.

First Reconciliation

Session 4 for our children will be held on **Tuesday 20th February** from **3.30pm** until **4.30pm**.

Franciscan Friar Visit to School



On Wednesday we were visited by Brother Benedict from the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. Brother Benedict had been invited by the **Mini Vinnie's** to come and to talk to the children about the life of St Francis and the work of the Friars in Bradford. In 2005 the Friars moved to Bradford to serve the homeless and destitute of the city and to work for the renewal of the Catholic Faith throughout the Diocese.

Brother Benedict went on to explain that the Friars run a soup kitchen called Open Doors and feeds up to 200 people every week, relying solely on donations for its provision. The children got the opportunity to ask him some thoughtful questions such 'Why did you become a Friar?' and 'Who inspired you?' The Mini

Vinnie's met with Brother Benedict after the Worship to look at ways our school could support the Friars and were issued with a warm invitation to visit the Friary in the near future.

Excellence in all we do. Outstanding every day.

Every week we look to celebrate excellence in all we do. Each class is collecting Gold Coins for their treasure chests and the winners each week will receive a prize!

Celebration Worship Leaderboard		
Year Group	Class Pirate Name	Winners
Nursery:	Mini Skulls	
Reception:	Little Treasures	
Year 1:	One Eyed Jack's	
Year 2:	Terrifying Two's	
Year 3:	Guardians of the Seven Sea's	
Year 4:	Black Hearted Fours	
Year 5:	Full Fathom Fives	
Year 6:	Six Sinking Ships	

Congratulations to:

Patryk Gierasimiuk, Jack Rodgers, Zofia Bierkat, Marcin Komoszewski, Lera Gluscika, Nehan Imran, Ida Naseen and Danyaal Razwan who were awarded Class Merits for their outstanding achievements for last week.



Mrs Winnery's Headteacher Award went to **Ellie Walker**.

Attendance

**Attend Today
Achieve Tomorrow**

**EVERY SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS**

**Can you reach our
whole school target of
97%?**

**If we reach 97% our
attendance will be
Outstanding.**

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE TARGET	% LAST WEEK w/b 29/01/2018	% ATTENDANCE this year to date
Reception	97	99.33	94.38
Year 1	97	94.33	94.70
Year 2	97	99.29	94.36
Year 3	97	99.35	96.28
Year 4	97	97.50	95.96
Year 5	97	97.67	97.87
Year 6	97	94.67	97.01
Whole School	97	97.44	95.79
NEW TARGET	97%	97%	97.%

**Over the last few years we have all worked tirelessly to improve attendance.
Please help us reach our target!**

Year 5 Ancient Greek Day

On **Friday 23rd February**, Year 5 will be holding a Greek Day to enhance their learning of their current topic on the Ancient Greeks. A visitor from *Historical Interpretations* will lead the day's workshops and activities will include examining and investigating Ancient Greek artefacts, exploring Greek science and medicine, looking at Greek and Western warfare, learning Greek games and Ancient Greek food tasting in the afternoon.

Children's Mental Health Week 2018 5-11 February 2018



St Cuthbert and The First Martyrs' Catholic Primary School is pleased to be supporting **Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week (5-11 February)**.

The theme this year is '**Being Ourselves**'. Sadly, some children and young people can find it difficult to view themselves in a positive way, with low self-esteem affecting more than 8 in 10 of the pupils who have Place2Be's one-to-one support. That is why this Children's Mental Health Week, Place2Be is encouraging children and young people to celebrate their uniqueness and feel comfortable with who they are.

Whilst we cannot always change a child's situation, helping them to have a positive view of themselves can help them to cope with life's challenges. Recognising the different qualities of others can also help us to connect with those around us – which is vital for our own and others' wellbeing!

Find more information at www.ChildrensMentalHealthWeek.org.uk

Safer Internet Day

Next **Tuesday** is **Safer Internet Day 2018**. Throughout the day, pupils will be learning about online safety and considering ways that they can make the internet a safe, positive and respectful place.

Keeping children safe online is a high priority in school and we would encourage all parents to make it a high priority outside school as well. **Please consider the devices, apps, websites, programs, videos and games your children have access to and the age limits for these.** If you need any advice about privacy settings, parental controls or anything else related to online safety, don't hesitate to get in touch.



We would also like to take this opportunity to inform you about two parents' Online Safety information sessions to be held in school in the coming months, delivered by a local PCSO. We are asking parents to attend **one out of the two sessions**, whichever is the most convenient. The sessions will be held on **Wednesday 21st March at 3pm** and **Monday 11th June at 9am**. More details will be sent out nearer the time.

Thank You

Thank you to the parents who have taken on board the importance of having your child in school on time (**8.50am**). There has been a significant decrease in the number of children coming late into school.

**This Friday, 9th February is the last day of term. School Re-opens on Monday, 19th February.
We wish you all A Happy Half Term Holiday.**



Please visit the Friends Facebook page
<https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=424388321072615>

If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils, please ask to speak to Mrs Winnery, Mrs Farrell, Mrs Walsh or Miss Burgess.