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'Together with Jesus, we love to learn and learn to love'

### **Ethos statement for next week: "I try to be just and fair."**

9<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents,

As we mentioned in our last newsletter, our children spent a day before the holidays exploring our school mission. We have worked together to re-phrase our mission statement and explored what this means in our school. Our new mission statement is ***'Together with Jesus, we love to learn and learn to love'***.

We have then broken this statement down into 7 virtues that we need to teach and demonstrate in order for all of us to live out this mission. Each year group explored a virtue and we have created definitions of each based on what the children have said to us.

Honesty (Reception)	"Telling the truth."
Generosity (Y1)	"Giving things we have lots of to others; our love, our time, our smiles."
Patience (Y2)	"Being happy to wait your turn and knowing some things take time to get right."
Courage (Y3)	"To stand out for doing the right things."
Respect (Y4)	"Looking after people, places and things."
Wisdom (Y5)	"Using our knowledge to make the right choices."
Resilience (Y6)	"When something goes wrong, be determined to find out how to do it better. Keep on trying."

Although we focused on these in particular year groups, they are our whole school virtues and will soon be on display in various places around school. A short presentation will be available on the website next week to give you lots more insight into the work that the children have done and how this is already displayed around school.

**Year 6FE Remembrance Assembly** - 6FE led the school in a very poignant Assembly on Remembrance. They reminded us of the great sacrifice that men and women made for the freedom we enjoy today. They explained how Robert McCrae wrote the poem 'In Flanders Field' and how the poppy became the symbol of Remembrance. The children's personal reflections on members of their family who fought in the First World War brought to life the loss individual families suffered as well as the heroism shown. History came alive. Thank you to Mrs Evans, Mrs Fairburn, Mrs Hurley & Mrs Preston for preparing the children for this assembly.

**Don't forget that our Year 6 children will be appearing on the BBC 6 o'clock news sharing their thoughts on Remembrance.**



**Reception Stockeld Park** – Yesterday our Reception classes had a wonderful day exploring fairy land in Stockeld Park. They were a credit to school and are already in class applying their new knowledge. Many thanks to all our parent volunteers.

**IHOMSA** - On Wednesday evening IHOMSA held a meeting to organise the Christmas Market evening and the Christmas Family fun night. Sadly no parents other than the committee turned up. Although our IHOMSA committee is amazing, five parents cannot run and organise all the events.

Our existing committee members will not be available in the next academic year so without other parents stepping up to work with the committee to see how events are organised this will be the last year of social activities.

Please seriously consider volunteering to shadow the committee. Yes it does involve giving up some of your free time but it is fun and you create special memories for all the children in the school and make a difference to the resources that we can offer. Please see me if you are willing to take up the challenge.

Mr Mark Butler has been elected as Secretary of IHOMSA – many thanks to Mr Butler for volunteering.

**Christmas Market Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November** – IHOMSA have very few volunteers to help set up for the event (3.30-5pm) or during the event 6.30-9pm. **Please consider giving up 30 minutes to help before, during or after the Christmas market.** If you can help please contact Clare Taylor on 07765 224 665 or email [ihomsa13@gmail.com](mailto:ihomsa13@gmail.com)

**Breakfast Club** – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November is the last day where Mrs Broadhurst & Mrs Tindell are supervising Breakfast Club. We thank them for all their hard work and know that parents appreciate the warm and welcoming atmosphere that they have created. From Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November Mrs Pola Roberts will be the new Breakfast Club Co-ordinator and Mrs Maria Preston, one of our Teaching Assistants, will be joining the team.

**Job Vacancy** – We do have a vacancy for an After School Club Assistant. If you are interested in applying please contact the School Office.

**Academisation** – All parents should have received the letter informing you that IHOM will next term be part of the St Gregory the Great Catholic School Academy. Meetings for parents are:

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 6pm Cardinal Heenan High School  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 9am St Augustine's Primary School  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 4pm Holy Rosary & St Anne's Primary School

**Franciscan Sisters** – The sisters have sent us a letter to thank everyone for the incredibly generous donations. They will be used to help many families in need.

**HCPT 131 Cake Sale** - after 9.30am mass at IHOM on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November.

If anyone would like to know more about HCPT and travelling with the group at Easter then please speak with one of the group on the day or visit [www.hcpt.org.uk](http://www.hcpt.org.uk)



**Poppies** – Remembrance Day poppies are on sale for 20p at school.



**Years R-5 Flu Immunisations** – Due to the poor response to the original letter the NHS Immunisation Team have extended the opening of the online consent form. Please remember to complete the online consent form for your child to receive their flu immunisation. Letters were sent home at the start of

term and the form must be filled in as soon as possible. We cannot give consent on your behalf. The link below can be used to access the forms, when asked for a secure school code please enter 33776.

<https://onlineformsflul.hdft.nhs.uk/flu vaccinationsleeds>

Please visit <https://www.hdft.nhs.uk/services/childhood-flu-programme/> for more information about flu vaccines.

**GSAL Christmas Carol Production** – GSAL have offered IHOM families complimentary tickets for their evening performances of ‘A Christmas Carol’. They believe it is best suited to our Year 6 pupils. If you would like to go along then further information can be found using the following link <https://www.gsal.org.uk/events/>

**Girls Football** – In the away match at St Joseph’s in Wetherby the girls played out a 2-2 draw. It wasn’t our greatest performance but we were pleased to get a point. Player of the match was Leona.

**Boys Football 1** – In the first round of the Bishop’s Cup, IHOM played St Joseph’s Wetherby. They successfully came through with an impressive 16-0 victory. Great win and hopefully the goals will continue in our next fixtures.

**Boys Football 2** – The boys team played last night in the Falkingham Cup away at Horsforth Newlaithes. Despite a good effort by the team (on a very small pitch!) they lost 6-3 and are now out of this cup.

**Moortown Festive Lights Switch On** – The lights in Moortown will be switched on on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November. Activities start at 6.45pm, lights on at 7pm. For more information visit [moortowncommunitygroup.org.uk](http://moortowncommunitygroup.org.uk)

**Sylvia Wright Christmas Cards** – If you are interested in buying some Christmas cards please call into the office as we have a selection to choose from. All the money raised goes directly to the charity. Sylvia’s charity has a great impact on the communities in the Indian State of Tamil Nadu. Prices start at £7 for 20 cards.

**EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS – Attend Today Achieve Tomorrow**

**Can we reach our whole school target of 98%? If we reach 98% our attendance will be Outstanding.**

**Attendance** – Well done to the whole school on achieving 98% attendance.

Year Group	Attendance Wk. Comm 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	
YR	RAG – 100%	RCD – 100%
Y1	1LG – 99%	1LR – 98%
	1SC – 95%	
Y2	2JM – 100%	2HC – 100%
Y3	3GG – 96%	3AW – 99%
Y4	4GB – 97%	4DK – 100%
Y5	5HS – 98%	5JR – 96%
Y6	6FE – 98%	6CK – 97%

### Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded Star of the Week in their class!

RAG – Christy

RCD – Florence

1LR – Connor

3AW – Eibhlin

3GG – Yzabella

4GB – Ellie



1LG – Aine  
 1SC – Julien  
 2JM – Maddison  
 2HC – Sam

4DK – Isabelle  
 5JR – Isaac  
 5HS – Annie-Jo  
 6CK – Iriana

6FE - Rebecca

**Happy Birthday to –**  
 Year R - Edith  
 Year 3 – Mia  
 Year 5 – Ntokozo, Alice  
 Year 6 – Lareesa



<b>Forthcoming Events – new dates in bold</b>		
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6pm	Academies Meeting at Cardinal Heenan High School
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	9am	Academies Meeting at St Augustine's School
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	4pm	Academies Meeting at Holy Rosary & St Anne's School
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.30pm	IHOMSA Christmas Market
<b>Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov</b>	<b>All day</b>	<b>Y1 Superhero Dress Up Day</b>
Weds 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	1.30pm	Y6 Confessions
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	All day	St Andrew's Day: Years 3-6 St Andrew's Merit House – non uniform; whole school Brownies/Rainbows/Cubs/Scouts uniforms
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	9.15am	3GG Assembly
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	9.30am	School/Parish Mass at IHOM Church
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	All day	YR-Y5 Flu immunisations
<b>Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Y6 Confirmation</b>
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	RCD Nativity
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	RAG Nativity
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1pm	YR Christmas Party
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>5.30pm Year R; 6-8.30pm rest of school</b>	IHOMSA Christmas Family Fun Night
Weds 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1pm	Y3 Christmas Party
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1.45pm	Y2 Nativity
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	Y2 Nativity
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1pm	Y2 Christmas Party
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1pm	Y4 Christmas Party
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1pm	Y6 Christmas Party
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6pm	Yrs 4,5 & 6 Carol Service
Weds 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1pm	Y5 Christmas Party
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.15am	Y1 Carols around the Crib
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1pm	Y1 Christmas Party
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	1.15pm	School finishes for Christmas – no After School Club
<b>Sat 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>TBC</b>	<b>4GB First Holy Communion</b>
<b>Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>TBC</b>	<b>4DK First Holy Communion</b>

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December – School will finish at 1.15pm. There will be no After School Club on this day.**

Mrs. A. M. Phillips  
 Headteacher

## Prayer

Heavenly Father,  
We remember those who have lived and died in the service of others.  
We pray for all who suffer through war and are in need.  
We ask for your help and blessing to do good in the world you have made,  
and to live in peace  
and harmony with  
one another and with you.'  
Amen



**If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils please ask to speak to Mrs Phillips, Mrs Hill, Miss Hargreaves or Mrs Roberts.**

