



# St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## Dates for the diary

### October

W/C 9<sup>th</sup> October – Book Looks

for parents in school hall

13<sup>th</sup> October - Year 6 Class Mass

in school hall – 9am Year 6

parents welcome

20<sup>th</sup> October – Individual and

Sibling Photos

20<sup>th</sup> October – Half Term break

### November

10<sup>th</sup> November - Non Uniform

Day for Bottle Donations for the

Christmas Bazaar

17<sup>th</sup> November - YR Learn and

share 2.45-3.10

*Year 5 Class date changed to*

*November 24<sup>th</sup> Mass in school*

*Y5 parents welcome*

### December

1<sup>st</sup> December 1<sup>st</sup> - Year 4 Class

Mass - 9am Year 4 parents

welcome

4<sup>th</sup> December – School Closure

6<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Advent

Reflections at SJB

12<sup>th</sup> December –Nativity

performance 1 for parents of YR

and half of the Year 1 class

13<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity

performance 2 for parents of Y2

and half of the Year 1 class

19<sup>th</sup> December –Christmas Lunch

and Parties in afternoon –

Children to wear Christmas

jumpers/outfits



## Mrs Grace

Dear parents and carers,

We have had an exciting week, once again, at St Hugh's with a visit from our friend Jenny from Cafod on Monday and we felt really proud to be able to donate such a large quantity of much needed food and toiletry items to Woking Food Bank. I can't thank you enough for your generosity. The table was literally groaning under the weight of it all!

It was also a week where we (rather sooner than expected) had to say 'goodbye' to Miss Thompson who has begun her maternity leave. We wish her well and look forward to good news soon. However, we also said 'hello' to Ms Joubert who is taking over responsibility for teaching year 5. I know how kind natured the children are in the class so they will certainly make her feel welcome.

May I extend my thanks to Year 5 parents for their support and understanding during this time but also to everyone else because we just received the results of our parent survey for this term. We are delighted because your feedback was truly amazing! We take everything you tell us on board, particularly those helpful comments where you give us some concrete ideas to work with. We are so lucky to have such an amazingly supportive body of parents at St Hugh of Lincoln and it's so nice to know how much you value what we are doing here to make your child's education and experience at our school the very best it can be. Thank you all for your ongoing support.

God bless and have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Grace

### Parent Survey highlights. Out of all respondents:

I would recommend this school 98%

My child's experience of school is good or very good 96%

My child is happy at this school 96%

My child feels safe at this school 97%

My child can participate in a range of clubs and activities 99%

My child does well at this school 95%

**What you love** - our nurturing approach, caring staff, high standards and you are so supportive and our reading scheme.

**What you would like to see more of** - You asked for a wider range of personal development opportunities particularly

## News at St Hugh's

### Parent Book Looks W/C 9<sup>th</sup> October

Please come into school to look at your child's books with them and find out about all their fantastic learning at 2.45pm see dates below for each class.

Monday 9/10 - Year 1 in school hall/Year 6 in The After School Club

Tuesday 10/10 – Year 2 in the school hall

Wednesday 11/10 – Year 4 in the school hall

Thursday 12/10 – Year 3 in the school hall

Friday 13/10 – Year 5 in the school hall

## Please donate to our Governors' Fund!

The St Hugh Governors' School Development Fund is made up of voluntary donations from parents of children at St Hugh and is used to enable the school to develop both buildings and resources to provide the best education for our children. We would ask you to consider signing up for monthly donations if you have the financial capacity to do so but if this is not possible, we would also be grateful to receive one-off donations. All gifts are confidentially handled.

In the past year alone our Governors' fund has paid for the regular maintenance of our beautiful Creation Garden, designed by former Year 6 pupils and the upkeep and running of our wonderful minibus which transports the children to events and fixtures. The more we can collect, the more we can spend on the fantastic children at our school. Thank you for anything you can give.

Please follow this link to donate

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/24548>



# Reception – Saint Bernadette

Today we have been learning that we are all part of God's family. Through Baptism we are welcomed into God's family. We learnt the candle that we get at our baptism "shows Jesus' light in the world" (Erin) and that the cross of oil on our heart and our head is a sign that "Jesus is in our hearts and in all that we do" (Leokadia)

"The Priest puts water on my head In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit" (Noah)

## Phonics:

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/hscH3A88/Xy8zhCDr>





# Year 1 - Saint George

Ahead of our geography field trip next week, we have been learning how to use and understand a map of a familiar area. We used a map of our playground to study the geography of our school. The children were able to use simple compass directions and locational and directional language to find the navigating cards.

## Phonics

Green Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/UD5cAmT1/rBO24HI4>

Purple Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/ytvdm36E/IATpnGxc>

Pink Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Ox8h1aLV/NRKD1xlq>



# Year 2 – Saint Francis

We have had lots of fun this week in Year 2. In our science lessons we have been testing the strength of some materials using Newton meters. We then recorded our data and interpreted it, reaching to the conclusion that wood was definitely the strongest material we had. In our Geography lesson we role-played as we were the Weather man or woman from the BBC News and we explained our class the weather of the day. We used our key vocabulary and predicted how the weather would be like the day after due to the East wind blowing the clouds towards London. What a great week full of learning!

## Phonics

Mrs Avery's Group:

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/tSofgSmw/bUDHHW9>





# Year 3 – Saint Veronica

On Tuesday the sun shone and Year 3 felt very lucky as we enjoyed a glorious day outside at Butser Farm to support our learning in History. We found out how the Stone Age, Iron Age and Bronze Age people lived, going in a round house and visiting a Stone Age camp. We enjoyed hands on activities, carving chalk with flint, making a pottery pinch pot, making Bronze Age jewellery and building a wall using wattle and daub.

Year 3's opinion – I loved all the trip. My favourite part was making the jewellery. I made the pot even though I didn't like the feeling of getting messy. I enjoyed having a picnic outside. It was exciting seeing the animals. I learnt how long ago the Stone Age was. The best bit was making the concrete for the wall.





# Year 4 – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

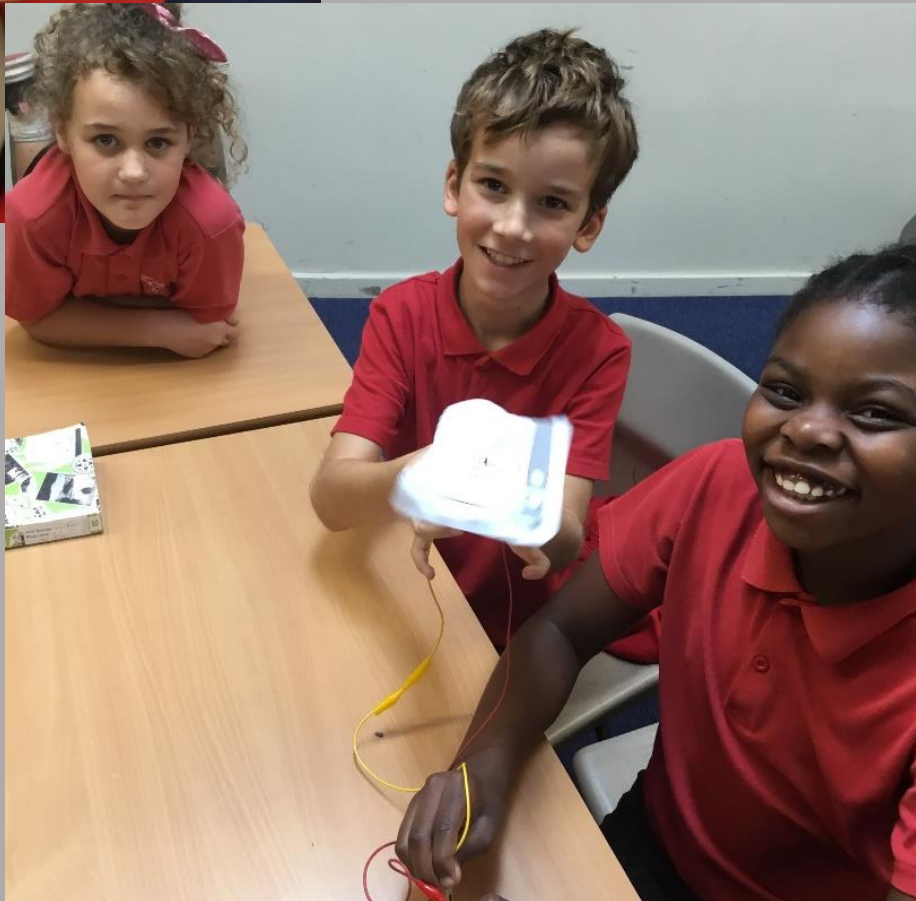
Year 4 have thoroughly enjoyed learning about their RE topic 'People' this half term. As a class we have had such wonderful discussions, with the year 4 children really focusing on their stem sentences when sharing their ideas.

This week the children have completed a response activity, where the children were asked to write a prayer card reflecting what things they are grateful and thankful for. It was also a time for children to be able to reflect upon the qualities which their family members from their family tree, have passed onto them; which now shine through them daily. As a class the children have recognised the link between their family and Jesus' family, and how Jesus' qualities shine through us.



# Year 5 – Saint Raphael

Year 5 have really enjoyed working with motors during our topic on electrical circuits. It was so lovely to see how they worked as a team and made new discoveries. Well done Year 5!





In Science this week we investigated how light can be reflected off of multiple surfaces. We used clear acrylic plastic, IPADS and ghostly cut-outs to create an illusion effect using reflection that dates back to Victorian times. The effect is known as 'Caspers Ghost' and this was traditionally used to entertain and amuse by creating a mysterious ghost like image transposed onto a scene. All groups found it was quite tricky to create the effect, but many achieved it through carefully measuring the angle of 45 degrees to ensure the light reflected accurately.



## Notices

### Communications with the School Office

Please email the office in plenty of time before pick up at the end of the school day to ensure your child's safety.

### Safeguarding contact reminder

We seek to provide a safe and happy environment for all children. This means that we have a Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy and procedures in place. If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please record your concern, and any observations or conversation heard, and report to Mrs Grace, Mrs Pickard or Mr Davies or [dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk) as soon as possible the same day.



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