

# **St Hugh of Lincoln** Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow



## Newsletter 24 September 2021

Dear parents and carers,

Our prayers were certainly answered for the autumn fair last weekend; what beautiful weather! It was wonderful to see so many of you there on Saturday having fun, coming together and raising money for the school and church. Thank you again for everyone involved in the organisation of the fair as well as everyone who volunteered to take their turn on a stall – these events are only possible with your generosity, so a huge thank you from me and everyone at school.

At the end of last year the Friends gave a donation to the school to help redevelop the school grounds. One of the things we're passionate about at St Hugh is encouraging reading for pleasure, and storytelling is an important and joyous way we can do that. In order to make the experience even more special, we used the donation to create an outdoor storytelling area in the woodland garden with its very own giant's storytelling chair and log stools. Year 2 were the first class to use the area this week and they absolutely loved it! Thank you to the Friends and all of you who donated funds last year to make this possible.





#### This week in year 3

We have been very busy this week in Year 3!

In science we have been looking at animal diets and using books to research interesting facts and making fact files. We have also been on the iPads and learning how to do some coding using Purple Mash.



In RE we have been looking at the Holy Family and how they are caring for one another and good role models for families. One of the ways we have been doing that is by looking at a painting called, "Christ in the Carpenter's shop," by John Everett Millais – here we are creating a freeze frame of the painting.



#### Year 5 Maths

Year 5 really enjoyed their Maths lesson today ordering numbers up to 1,000,000. Many of the children say Maths is their favourite lesson and it really shows. They concentrated well and worked really hard today solving problems with population statistics and sharing their strategies for comparing and ordering large numbers with each other. Well done Year 5! You are off to a great start!



#### Year 6 commissioning service: 2.30pm Monday 27th September

We'd like to invite year 6 parents into school on Monday, for the year 6 children's commissioning service. This is the first time we've been able to invite parents into the school for a long time and we really look forward to welcoming those of you who are able to attend. This is a special service where the children are presented with their badges for undertaking special responsibilities throughout the school such as prefect, RE follower and buddy. At the year 6 meet the teacher session we said we were planning to start at 2.15pm, but we've changed it to 2.30pm to coincide better with the end of the school day. Apologies for the change.

### Year 5 Class Mass: 9am Thursday 30th September

We're delighted to be able to invite parents of year 5 children to the class Mass in the hall on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 9am. We're busy agreeing the schedule of class Masses with Fr Gerard and will let you know when the other dates are as soon as we can so you can put them in your diary.

### Harvest donations: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October

We are having our harvest celebration on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October and would like to ask that children come into school that day with some non-perishable food that they can contribute to our collection. All of the donations will be given to the church where they will be distributed to local parishioners and the Woking food bank. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

### **Upcoming INSET days**

A quick reminder for your diary that the school is closed for INSET training on 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

All of the INSET and term dates for the year are on the school website. Here's a link in case you find it helpful.

### https://www.sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk/key-dates/

### St. Dunstan's School Office Assistant Vacancy (part time)

St Dunstan's school have asked me to make parents aware of the following vacancy they are recruiting for:

School office Assistant – Monday, Tuesday 12pm – 3pm and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 10am – 1pm. Surrey Pay Grade 3 – (starting point dependent on relevant experience): £6,490.00 – £6,953.00 (actual salary). Closing date for applications: Wednesday 6th October 2021. Start date: as soon as possible. Term time only plus 5 Inset days, plus one day before the beginning of each new academic school year. Application forms and job description are available to download on the school website under vacancies or through the eteach website. Alternatively please contact the Headteacher's PA Mrs A. Murray at <u>amurray@stdunstans.surrey.sch.uk</u>.

St. Dunstan's Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people in its care and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS disclosure and sign the Catholic Education Service contract of employment.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone,

God bless, Mrs Harper