

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

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### Weekly Newsletter

### 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023

### Dates for the diary

#### **October**

20<sup>th</sup> October – Individual and
 Sibling Photos
 20<sup>th</sup> October – Half Term break

#### <u>November</u>

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

#### <u>December</u>

1<sup>st</sup> December - 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
12th 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,

It was lovely to see so many parents and carers in school this week for our book looks. We always enjoy sharing with you and I hope you found this together with last week's parents' evenings helpful.

All week, we've been thinking about how we can look after the earth better. In the Gospel we shared on Monday, a man takes good care of his vineyard. He plants grapes in it, builds a fence and a tower and a press for making wine from the grapes. Then when he goes away. He asks some other people to look after it for him. These people are his tenants. When the time comes for the wine to be ready, the man sends his people to collect it. The tenants do not want to share and they hurt those who have been sent. Like the man who gave the vineyard to his tenants to look after, God has given us the earth and all that is in it. God also sent his son Jesus to show us how to live.

We are responsible for looking after the earth and all the animals, people and plants that are in it. Our Eco council are doing a great job around school regularly reminding us of all the things we can do every day to help because when we don't look after the earth, it becomes damaged. It was great to chat to them about the information posters they have made for each class showing exactly how we can all help.

We enjoyed a lovely and holy Mass with Father Rob and Year 6 and their parents on Friday morning. Thank you Father Rob for always being so supportive of everything we do in school and for your continued and inspiring spiritual guidance to all.

Enjoy this week's newsletter and have a wonderful weekend. God bless. Mrs Grace







#### News at St Hugh's

#### **Growing in Independence**

In faith and love we learn and grow and at our school we aim to promote independence as much as we possible can. Once the children enter Year 1, we ask that parents can please say goodbye to them at the school gate so they can become accustomed to walking to their classroom independently. Parents of our Reception children are still welcome to escort their children to the Reception class door throughout the school year.

Please can parents refrain from entering the classrooms in the mornings. The teachers are busy teaching from 8.30 and are unavailable at that time of the day. However, they are available in the playground at the end of the school day should you wish to speak to them then.

Mrs Grace is on the gate every morning so if there is an urgent message you need to pass on to your child's class teacher, please let her know or inform the school office.

#### 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

This week, Reception have been learning about where they live and where they are in the world. The children have loved exploring globes, maps, Google maps and atlases to find the United Kingdom. They have also been discussing and locating other countries that they have family links to or that they have visited. The children have explored the wildlife, weather and landscape in and around our school and have compared this to the setting of their focus story, Anna Hibiscus' Song, set on the outskirts of a bust Nigerian city.



#### Phonics: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/reLvvPW3/IN996efI









# Year I – Saint George

On Tuesday afternoon, we walked down to Brookwood Farm using everyday directions and locational language. The children are now able to describe the route that we took on a simple map. Throughout this unit of work, Year 1 have been identifying places that are near or far, places we go often and rarely and this week we have begun learning about maps and map-making.

Thank you to Mrs Mills, Mrs Langley, Mrs Carfrae, Mrs Still and Mrs Hannon for giving up their time to escort us safely on our walk.

#### Phonics

Green Group: <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/64Vu1QxL/SLONisDS</u> Purple Group: <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/oc8Hoqu9/97aHg8wm</u> Pink Group: <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/1Zkg2GIY/nDSfqfAD</u>





## Year 2 – Saint Francis

This week in Year 2 we have been learning the features of a newspaper report. Mrs Medina brought newspapers to the classroom and we had a look at the features on a real newspaper! We wrote a newspaper report about a robbery in the art gallery, which is a chapter in our book "Claude in the city". On Friday we marked our work and improved it with purple pen, and then we published it on newspaper. We are very proud of our work!

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#### Phonics Mrs Avery's Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/kiqELghY/LXiSDw86











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## Year 3 – Saint Veronica

In DT we are learning about the advantages of eating food that is seasonal and grown in the UK. We spent some time working out what fruit and vegetables are available locally each season. However our favourite bit was making a crumble using seasonal ingredients! We are learnt how to work hygienically and used the rubbing in method to make our topping.







# Year 4 – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Year 4 children have had a wonderful week of learning this week. In English, the children have loved writing their own non – chronological report all about Australia; which links to chapter 5 of the Iron Man. Children firstly learnt the key features of what they were to include in their report. Then, as a class, a lovely discussion was had, where lots of already known facts about Australia were shared, including animal species native to the country, famous landmarks and the reversed climate in comparison to the UK. Midway through the week, the children had the opportunity to use the Ipads to find out more interesting facts about Australia, which they could then include in their report.





# Year 5 – Saint Raphael

Year 5 have really enjoyed making doodlers in DT this week taking them apart and reassembling them during our topic on electrical circuits. We explored what would happen if you add more pencils or change the position of the motor. It was so lovely to see how they worked as a team and made new discoveries. Well done Year 5!







## Year 6 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

The year 6 children have been taking photos of things in their environment today as they continue their work as part of the unit 'Photo Opportunity'. In lesson this week, they have been looking at taking and editing photographs for their latest project. They have been given the task of designing an album cover. As a part of their learning they have been looking at famous photographers work, including the work of Derrick Boateng. As a teenager Dererick started taking pictures on a phone., this then developed his taste for image-making and he taught himself about digital photography and its possibilities. The children have been keen to us replicate some of his work within their own compositions. Great work year 6!









#### 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 as soon as possible the same day.



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