



St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

1st December 2023

Dates for the diary

4th December – School Closure

6th December – KS2 Advent Reflections at SJB

7th December – Reindeer Run

12th December – Nativity performance 1 for parents of YR and half of the Year 1 class. The show will commence at 2:15pm. Booking details will be sent out next week.

13th December – Nativity performance 2 for parents of Y2 and half of the Year 1 class. The show will commence at 2:15pm. Booking details will be sent out next week.

19th December – Christmas Lunch and Parties in afternoon – Children to wear Christmas jumpers/outfits

21st December – End of term early finish 1pm

8th January – Return to school

15th January – Stargazing Evening for KS2

Mrs Grace

Dear Parents and carers,

We celebrate St. Francis Xavier's Feast Day with a long weekend, so please remember that Monday isn't just about "Christmas shopping" as it is often billed but a celebration of all that is good about this wonderful enterprise of ours. Regardless of how you choose to spend the day, perhaps you will find time to offer up a short prayer of thanks to St. Francis for all that we are blessed with.

As always at St Hugh's, many, many fantastic learning opportunities have happened over the week and I was very lucky to be able to accompany Year 4 to Haslemere Museum on Thursday. As part of their Ancient Egyptians History Unit, we learned all about mummification and even saw a real mummy in the museum's gallery. Year 4 celebrated their Class Mass on Friday and once again, it was really lovely that so many parents and carers could join us for that. Father Rob was particularly impressed with the children's singing which sounded beautiful. Well done Year 4 – Golden stickers well deserved!!

I hope you all have a wonderful longer weekend and enjoy this week's newsletter.

God bless!

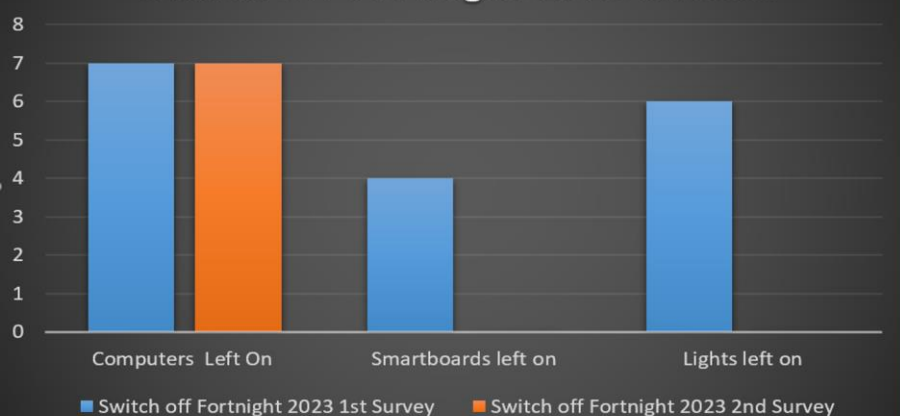
Mrs Grace



News at St Hughs

The eco team have achieved great success with their latest campaign 'Switch Off Fortnight'. The campaign, successfully helped children and staff remember to switch off any electrical items when they are not being used across the school in order to save energy over a two week period. A before and after survey of items left on during lunchtimes was completed towards the end of the campaign in order to measure its effectiveness. Representatives, created a graph of the results and all representatives presented this in the Friday morning assembly to the whole school to share the amazing success of the campaign. Each representative will receive a certificate from The Pod team, the organisation running the campaign, to celebrate this achievement. We are proud of their effort and commitment to making this first campaign such a success, and wish the whole team every success in their next project after Christmas.

Switch off Fortnight 2023 Results



News at St Hughs

Well done Year Girls Netball team! This week they played in a tournament at Greenfield School where they won 3 out of the 4 matches they played. What a fantastic achievement and thank you to Ms Joubert for accompanying them.



Reception – Saint Bernadette

This week, Reception have been learning about Advent and what it means to be waiting. The children have created their own wreaths and talked about how we wait for Baby Jesus to be born. We are beginning to understand about the candles on the wreath and are extending their thinking with some challenging I wonder Questions.....

“ The pink one is for Mary, the white one is to say that baby Jesus is born and the purple one is for thinking time..... I wonder why there isn't a candle for Joseph?” Otis.

We have also been really enjoying playing and learning in our new role play area. It is now a stable.

“ I was Mary, she is special because she had baby Jesus who is king” Roux

“ I am the Angel Gabriel and I tell Mary Not to be afraid and that she is having a baby. They put baby Jesus in the manger where animals eat!” Imogen

“Baby Jesus was born in the stable, Mary and Joseph were there and the animals looked after him” George



Read Write Inc. Phonics

Let's learn a sound: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/2z7ODzrT/mOuKLPaA>

Fred Talk: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/QeBII1JG/xyWsrAKF>

Some children might want to have a go at the spelling video.

Spelling: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/jAh4dzxz/wgaVn7Oo>



Year 1 - Saint George

This week, Year 1 have been extremely resilient and have been learning to persevere even when the learning has been difficult.

In History we have been learning about 1950s schools in the past. We used another loan box from The Surrey Heath museum to help us with our learning. In Science we used thermometers to measure different water temperatures. We predicted using our sense of touch to decide if the temperatures would be cold, warm or hot. Finally, we finished our nativity scenes for the Knights of St Columba Christmas painting competition. We are all feeling extremely proud of our pieces of art.



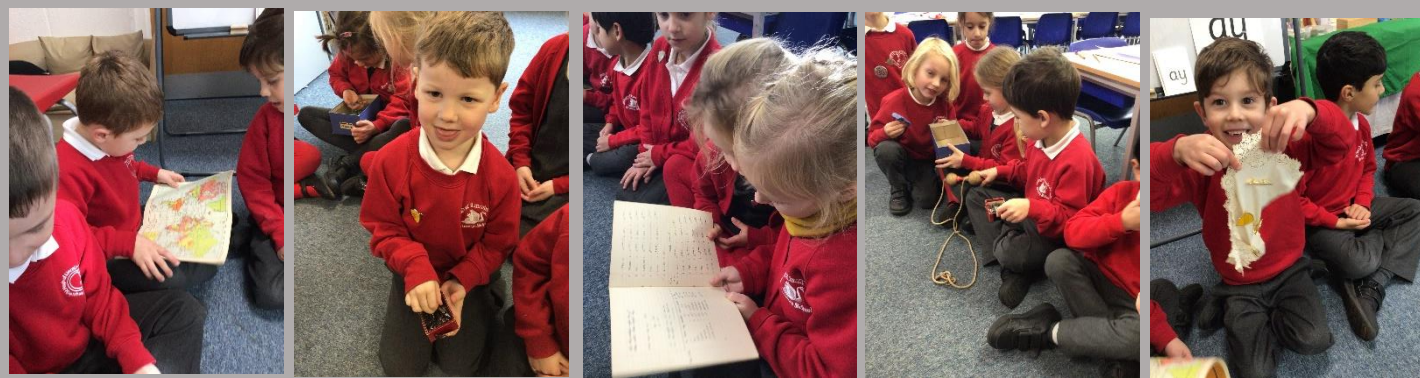
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Phonics

Phonics:

Purple Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/sSLr7TPs/ydOM6Vof>

Pink Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/toUOYM2T/eZdQpI7s>

Orange Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/YC2YIMcl/5FJuGFdf>



Year 2 – Saint Francis

This week we have been learning lots about an important event for our British History: The Great Fire of London. We explored the different reasons why the fire started and why it spread out so quickly. In our English lessons we wrote a diary entry pretending to be Samuel Peppys, describing everything we witnessed on the 2nd of September 1666. We ended our fun week with a Drama workshop on Friday afternoon where we dressed up as people who lived in London in the 17th century and sang, danced and played very engaging acting games.



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Phonics

Mrs Avery's group:

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/YT1VxDBV/BkG Xu4zM>

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Spelling

Our spelling rule this week is: Most words that end in the **igh** sound are spelt with a **y**.
For example: shy, dry, sky.

Our 6 red words are: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.



Year 3 – Saint Veronica

In computing we are enjoying a topic on animation. This week we used imotion to create an animation of a stick person moving. We learnt how onion skinning can help make a successful animation.

One of our favourite parts of the lesson was watching our friends' animations at the end of the lesson. We will be using our new skills to start creating a Stone Age animation with our own characters next lesson.



Read Write Inc.
Spelling

Our spelling rule this week is words ending in the suffix –less

We will be adding the suffix –less to root words to make adjectives eg fearless, hopeless, pointless, harmless

Our 6 orange words are: anyone, ask, beautiful, actually, address, answer

Year 4 – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

This week in Year 4, the children have had another brilliant week of learning. On Thursday, the children enjoyed a school trip to Haslemere Museum to further enhance their learning of Ancient Egyptians. Thank you for displaying our school rules so beautifully and for your great engagement during our school trip to Haslemere Museum this week. All the staff were extremely impressed with your knowledge and the outcome of your mummification teddies!



Our spelling rule this week is: words ending in –tion
e.g. station, lotion, potion, fiction

Read Write Inc.
Spelling

Our 6 orange words are: build, busy, calendar, continue, different, though



Year 5 – Saint Raphael

This week the children have been creating their own installation art in different groups by using everyday objects in the classroom. Installation art is large-scale, mixed-media constructions, often designed for a specific place or a temporary period of time. We have been discussing an artist called Cai Guo-Qiang who grew up during China's Cultural Revolution, make sure to ask them all about it. We had much fun yesterday!



Our spelling rule this week is: The 'ee' sound spelt 'ei'

Read Write Inc.
Spelling

Our 6 orange words are: sufficient, category, twelfth, sincerely, attached, thorough



Year 6 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

In English this week the children have been creating a non-chronological report on the yellow spotted lizard. This lizard features in the book *Holes*, and is one of the creatures the main character Stanley mentions at the beginning of the book. Many were fascinated about this animal when they investigated some of its unusual qualities. The children found out that it has black teeth that can cut through metal and a poisonous venom that is often deadly to humans if they get bitten by the creature. The pieces of final work completed were of an excellent standard, with them including many important pieces of information from multiple sources that would be useful to anyone travelling in that part of the world where these creatures can be found. Great work year 6!



Read Write Inc.
Spelling

Our spelling rule this week is: Adding suffixes -er, -ous, -ness, -ing and -ful.

Our 6 orange words are: relevant, programme, physical, thorough, necessary and sincere

