

# St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

12th January 2023

### Dates for the diary

### Month

**15**<sup>th</sup> **January** –Stargazing Evening for Year 5 and Year 6 17.30-19.00

**17**<sup>th</sup> **January** Life Space Visit to all classes

**19<sup>th</sup> January** Year 2 Class Liturgy 9.00

**23**<sup>rd</sup> **January** Safer Internet Workshops – Sharon Girling OBE

**30**<sup>th</sup> **January** – Maths Workshop for parents and carers.

9<sup>th</sup> February – Break up for Half Term 3.15 finish

**19<sup>th</sup> February** – Return to school

1st March – Y1 Class Liturgy 9.00

**7**<sup>th</sup> **March** – World Book Day **28**<sup>th</sup> **March** – Break up for Easter

## Mrs Grace

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back everyone! It was lovely to see you and all your happy smiling children on the gate again this week. I hope you all enjoyed celebrating a wonderful Christmas and having some time to relax!

At the end of last term, the children enjoyed Christmas parties and my thanks go to The friends of St Hugh for the craft activities, the party bags and Christmas gifts which all helped to make things extra special.

We start the new term with a focus on the Epiphany. The word epiphany is often used to describe a sudden awakening to the truth, or appreciation of something seen in a different light. More specifically for us, it refers to Jesus being revealed to the world for who He really is. The children shared their thoughts during Collective Worship on Monday on how they thought we could respond when Jesus calls us: help a friend in need, smile at someone or unload the dishwasher at home!

We have had an exciting return to school especially in Year 5 who had their first clarinet lesson delivered by Surrey Arts and in Year 2 who went on a local area walk to the shops as part of their Geography topic.

Enjoy catching up on all our news in this week's newsletter and have a wonderful weekend!

God Bless Mrs Grace







### News at St Hughs

### **School Library Audit**

The Schools Library Service is conducting an audit in our school library on January 25<sup>th</sup> and as a result all library books need to be in school to be checked.

Could we ask for all library books to be returned to school on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January** in preparation - the children will be able to have the same book back following completion of the audit.

The school will be charged by the library service for missing books over our allotted allocation so please ensure any books you have at home are returned to school by the 22nd.

SLS provides not only a range of targeted reading texts for our children but topic books to support our curriculum and we are extremely lucky to have such fantastic resources in our library. Many thanks for your co-operation.





### News at St Hughs





#### The Life Space is coming to St Hugh's!

Coram Life Education PSHE workshops, led by specialist educators, use a best-practice, three-strand approach, addressing children's knowledge, skills, attitudes and values. All workshops support the DfE statutory requirements for RSHE and are aligned with the National Curriculum. Workshops are also aligned with Scotland's Curriculum for Excellence. Their approach is designed to give pupils a voice and for them to feel empowered, able to identify and articulate their feelings and needs, and enable them to make healthy choices. Harold, our healthy-living giraffe mascot, helps to convey these messages to children, within a magical learning environment. Children experience fun, engaging and memorable workshops with Coram Life Education.

Mark Fisher from The Life Space will be delivering a workshop to each class on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January. Please help us to cover the cost of this fantastic workshop with a voluntary contribution of £3.00, payable on Scopay.

https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/



### Chinese New Year

Once again, we will be celebrating Chinese New Year at St Hugh's with a whole school assembly on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February.

If any members of our Chinese community would be able to help lead the assembly with their children, please speak to Mrs Grace.



### News at St Hughs

## **Surrey County Council Parking monitoring**

Surrey County Council parking enforcement team were monitoring the situation outside school this week regarding parking. They reported that they thought it was very safe outside school with no cars driving up to the entrance and no cars parking outside. This was one of many monitoring visits that they are carrying out across Surrey. They advised us that they will be returning on an adhoc basis to conduct further monitoring in the future.

Thank you for heling to keep everyone safe by parking in the Surrey Pub car park or by walking to school with your children.



# Reception - Saint Bernadette

This half term, Reception are exploring, "I wonder how the food we eat changes?" This week, they have been reading the story of, The Little Red Hen and thinking about rural environments where many cereals are grown on farm land. The children were interested to learn about how flour is made from wheat and corn crops. In the story, Little Red Hen planted and grew her own corn and used a windmill to grind it down into flour but Reception worked their gross and fine motor skills to grind the wheat using pestle and mortars. They were surprised by what hard work it was but they were so excited when they were able to see the flour starting to form! The children are excited to make their own bread next week just like Little Red Hen!







# Year I - Saint George

This week we have learning about the Presentation of Jesus and how different countries celebrate Candlemas. Today we learnt that in European countries, people traditionally eat pancakes in a festive atmosphere on Candlemas Day.

At that time of the year, the excess flour was used to make pancakes (or *crêpes*), a symbol of prosperity for the coming year. *Crêpes*, with their round shape and golden colour, reminded people of the sun's return after the winter's night. We also recognised the light of the sun is similar to the light of Jesus. As a group we created the crêpe mixture using eggs, flour and milk and then we individually made our own crêpes.



### **Phonics:**

Pink Group: <a href="https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/jAVx8o07/YFAzmSl3">https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/jAVx8o07/YFAzmSl3</a>
Yellow Group: <a href="https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/uNh8dGVa/OApSxFRp">https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/uNh8dGVa/OApSxFRp</a>



# Year 2 - Saint Francis

We have had such a lovely and busy first week back after the holidays! We have been writing detailed descriptions about the setting of our new book in English, using similes to embellish our writing. In maths we finished our topic about shapes, in Art we have been exploring secondary colours and shades when mixing different amounts of primary colours and in RE we started our new topic about Holy Bible and Bible stories. In science we had a very fun lesson testing how playdough can change the shape if we apply different forces: squish, bend, twist or stretch. It was very interesting to analyse how much energy and force we need to apply depending on the quantity of the playdough taken.

Read Write Inc.
Phonics

Mrs Avery's group:

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/rgkUJDyw/3vg 1Qqa7

Read Write Inc.
Spelling

This week's spelling rule: If a verb ends in a short vowel sound (a, e, i, o or u) + a consonant, we have to double the consonant before adding -ing. For example, slipping, getting, chatting.

Orange/red words: door, floor, love, his, tall, could.



# Year 3 - Saint Veronica

Our Topic in RE is Journey's we will be learning about our journey through the year with Jesus. We started by thinking about seasons and how things change and grow during the year. Using different mediums we created our own picture of a year. We will be looking at the liturgical calendar – ordinary times and feast days – and how we mark these times.









# Read Write Inc. Spelling

Our spelling rule this week is words ending in —tion. The *sh* sound can be spelt ti in the middle of words. It can be followed by **on** to make the ending —tion, which sounds like *shun*. Eg section, potion, fiction. station

Our orange words are: bought, break, busy, century, certain, centre

# Year 4 - Saint Teresa of Calcutta

It has been wonderful to welcome back all the year 4 children after a restful Christmas break. Children in Year 4 have shown a great attitude towards all their learning, having thoroughly enjoyed starting numerous new and exciting topics, alongside a new book in English and Reading 'The Abominables'.

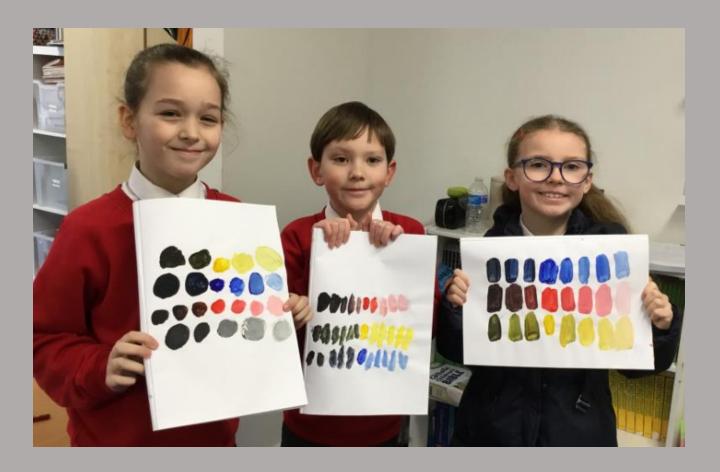
In Art this week, the children began their new topic 'Light and Dark' with the lesson objective this week to learn the skill of mixing paint colours to create tints and shades.



Our spelling rule this week is: adding the suffix – es e.g. replies, fries, carries.







# Year 5 - Saint Raphael

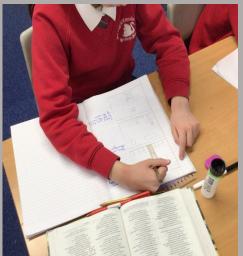
We have had a lovely and busy first week back after the holidays! We have been writing detailed descriptions about the setting of our new book in English, called Street Child. In science we started looking at separating mixtures. In RE we started our new topic about community and what it means to have a Mission. We are all called to do a mission, whether big or small and it doesn.t matter what our mission is, as long as we do it with love in our community. Please see the lovely RE work that they produced in class today.

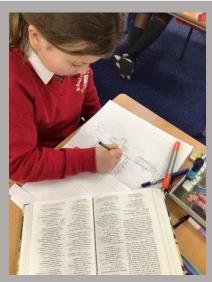
Read Write Inc.
Spelling

Our spelling rule this week is: words ending in ant and ance

Our 6 orange words are: community, existence, leisure, neighbour, define, embarrass

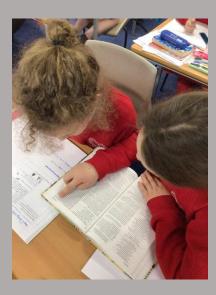










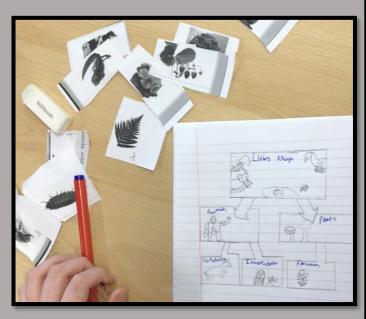


# Year 6 - Saint Maximilian Kolbe

In Science this week the children began their new unit of work about classifying living things. During this lesson the children looked at different types of living things and sorted them into different groups based upon their own criteria. They then went onto learning about the difference between vertebrates and invertebrates and further sorted these animals using this knowledge. It was lovely to see how many great ways of sorting the children initially came up with, many of them identifying features of animals to further classify them such as whether they hand an endoskeleton or exoskeleton. Well done year 6!



Our spelling rule this week is: Other ways of making the tion sound. Our 6 orange words are: develop, neighbour, community, embarrass, sacrifice, recognise







### **Information Board**

### Safeguarding

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.





### Friends News

#### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**



We hope everyone enjoyed the Christmas gifts the children brought from Elfridges in December. The children certainly spent a lot of time choosing presents they hoped the receivers would enjoy!

### **HIGHLIGHTS &**

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

#### **Happy Bags Collection 24th January**

If you're having a new year declutter, don't forget that we are always happy to collect unwanted gifts, new or nearly new toys and games and good condition soft toys.

For your clothes, we have a Happy Bags collection booked on 24th January. Bags have been sent home this week. The amazing total raised in October was £248.60, can we beat this in 2024?

#### **Bears at Bedtime 19th January KS2**

We hope KS1 enjoy the Bears at Bedtime film tonight, the KS2 film Wreck it Ralph is on the 19th January - please sign up on Classlist. There are a couple of remaining discounted tickets for children of people who can volunteer to help on the evening.

#### Next ONLINE friends meeting is 30th January

An updated calendar of the Friends events for the rest of the school year is attached. <u>Calendar 2024 (sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk)</u> or QR Code



#### Two Date changes please see updated dates below;

30 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 – 7 to 8pm	Friends meeting online OPEN TO ALL. Join here: https://bit.ly/Friends300124 or QR Code
3rd March 2024 – 3 to 6pm	Disco in Parish Hall – Tickets pre-sale only 3-4 pm KS1 (lower sounds, more light) 4:30-6 pm KS2

### We are looking for volunteers for the following positions.

If you think you could help please ask one of the committee.

#### **Second hand Uniform Manager**

Meeting Volunteer to oversee the children ( different volunteer every meet is fine)

### Did you know......

that we are registered to Easyfundraising and GiveAsYouLive? These are 2 fundraising platforms that give money to the charity when you shop online, at no cost to you! All you have to do is.....

- register, accept the donation reminder, choose
- "The Friends of St Hugh's School" as a cause.

Each time you visit an online shop, your PTA will get some money! With the donation reminder, you don't even need to go through their website it will automatically detect which sites will get you a donation!