

## St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Well done and thank you to Year 5 who led their class assembly last Friday. They helped us to reflect on our mission, which is summed up simply in our school values. As Year 5 showed, we are all unique and will live out our mission in different ways, but ultimately we are united in being made in the image of God with the mission of striving to live like Jesus. Thank you to Mr Martin for having prepared the children for their assembly.

On Monday we were delighted to welcome two guests from Woking Hospice who came to talk to us a little in assembly about the work of the Hospice, and to be presented with a cheque from the school following the collections taken at the end of the Advent Reflection and the Christmas nativity plays. The Hospice representatives were extremely grateful to our families for your generosity. Thank you to our School Council for having decided upon Woking Hospice as one of the two recipients of our charity collection, and then for presenting the cheque.

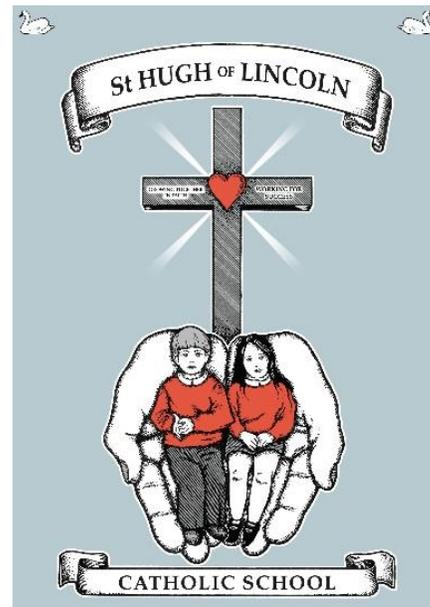
On Monday Mrs Wills, one of our foundation governors, spent the morning in school. We enjoyed visiting all of the classrooms to share in the children's learning, as well as being in our whole school assembly.

Thank you very much to everyone who supported our Happy School Bag collection on Thursday, and particularly to Ms Taylor for organising it again. A super total of £325.65 was raised for the Friends. Thank you too to Mrs Terry and those who helped, and those who attended the recent Friends Family Disco. Lots of children who were able to go have told me what a great time they had. Thank you very much.

Enjoy the weekend. God bless,

Mr George

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### School Values

#### God our Father, help us all to ...

**L**ive like Jesus,  
**O**ne family, learning together,  
**V**aluing everyone,  
**E**ach and every day.

At St Hugh of Lincoln School we are fully committed to safeguarding. Mr George and Mrs Rose are the school's Designated Safeguarding Leads: any concerns regarding safeguarding should be raised with either of them. The member of the governing body with nominated responsibility for safeguarding is Mrs Jo Losty.

Mass is celebrated in the school hall at 8.30am on Wednesdays. All welcome.

Forthcoming events:

8 February – Netball match v Horsell Junior (away)

9 February – Year 4 assembly (9.00am)

9 February – Reception Class Learn and Share (2.45pm)

12-16 February – half term holiday

20&21 February – Parents and children Maths sessions (details to follow)

### **Reception Class parent consultation meetings**

Mrs Barker will be conducting all the Reception Class parent consultation meetings later this term. To make this possible, Reception Class meetings only will ALL be on Monday 5 March. Appointments will be available throughout the school day. More information will be provided shortly.

### **Safety**

A number of our older children walk or scoot down Five Oaks Close on their own after school, meeting a parent at the bus stop. A parent has raised a concern over children playing with scooters in the road at the bus stop end of the Close. Please can parents of children who walk down the Close unaccompanied reinforce that children must use the pavement at all times.

Please can parents help ensure that scooters are not ridden on the playground by any children before school. On a busy playground it would be all too easy for a nasty accident to occur with a young child or adult being hit by a scooter. Similarly balls should not be being played with. Key Stage 2 children can go into class from 8.40am, and Key Stage 1 children can go straight to their lines, from where they are collected just before 8.50.

### **Haircuts**

In recent weeks we have had a number of children coming to school with 'fashion haircuts' (particularly boys). The school's uniform is designed to be relatively simple yet smart and tidy, and practical for school. Hairstyles need to be the same. I have asked governors to consider a short formal policy on haircuts, to go alongside our uniform requirements. The governors' meeting to discuss this will be on 5 March. In the meantime, if you are taking your child for a haircut please do keep it appropriate for school – tidy, practical – and like school uniform which for any school indicates a shared identity – not designed to 'stand out'.

### World Book Day – 1 March

We would like to invite all children to dress up as a favourite book character on 1 March. We will have a special assembly on that day when we can admire everyone's costumes, and share some work about favourite books that children will do in class in the week leading up to 1 March.

### Golden Values assembly

Well done to all of the children who were acknowledged in our Golden Values assembly this week: Charlotte, Mia, Aoife, Rebecca, Nesta, Harry, Kane, Paige, Phoebe, Victoria, Wani, Dominic, Mia, Poppy, Gus, Michael, Eva.

The Golden Values assembly celebrates acts of kindness, consistent helpfulness, good manners and generosity.

### St John's Knaphill Children's Centre

The Tuesday morning Family Drop-in is an opportunity to come and visit the Children's Centre for advice and information on areas such as child development, parenting, job advice, training opportunities, nurseries, pre-schools, childminders, FEET funding, getting ready for school and healthy lifestyles in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. Chill and chat while your children play. This session is on 9.00am-10.30am.

You can also find details of this and all the centre's activities on the website [www.stjohnsknaphillchildrenscentre.co.uk](http://www.stjohnsknaphillchildrenscentre.co.uk) or contact the centre on 01483 476450.

Louisa, Lucie and Carol