



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

News in School

14th November 2022

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

Statement to Live By

This week's Statement to Live By is '**I think before I make choices that affect my health**' as part of helping the children to '**Grow towards human wholeness and develop a healthy life style in the body, mind and spirit and understand the connection between knowledge and living**'.

As children grow and develop, they will make more choices that impact on their lives and the lives of others. This week, please take the time to speak to your child about the choices they make which affect their health - whether that is their physical health, mental health or spiritual health and well-being. Ask, how might this choice help you? How will this affect your life and your health? Is this the right choice to make? What other choices do you have?

Weekly Attendance

Well done to Y4 who just pipped Y6 at the post to be the winners of this week's attendance in school. A massive well done to Year 6 children as this is the highest percentage on record since the start of the school year - let's keep it up!

W/C	YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
31.10.22	97.89%	98%	95.5%	93.7%	96.92%	97.06%	93.33%
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Advent Liturgies

Throughout Advent, KS2 classes will be delivering an 'Advent Liturgy' each Monday, taking it in turns to explain the four themes of Advent: Hope, Love, Joy and Peace. The liturgies will be starting on the 28th November, and each consecutive Monday until the end of term, commencing at 9.00am. Please see the Dates in the Diary page for when your child's liturgy is. Family and friends are more than welcome to join us.

Little Church

Please note that Sunday, 20th November is the next 'Little Church' in church, during Mass. All children from 3 - 11 years are welcome!

Children in Need

Don't forget that this Friday is 'Children in Need'! Your child will come home with a plate on Tuesday to be filled with lots of lovely cakes and deliciousness! Cakes will be on sale during playtime, so please send your child with some money to buy a cake. If there are any cakes left at the end of the day, they will be on sale for parents and carers to buy. There may even be a 'star' cake that may be auctioned off!



PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE ARE A COUPLE OF CHILDREN IN SCHOOL WITH NUT ALLERGIES. PLEASE DO NOT USE ANY RECIPES THAT INCLUDE NUTS AS AN INGREDIENT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

FURTHERMORE, IF YOU ARE MAKING GLUTEN FREE CAKES, PLEASE ENSURE THAT THESE ARE LABELLED SO THOSE CHILDREN WHO ARE GLUTEN INTOLERANT CAN ENJOY YOUR CAKES!

PTA Events

The PTA have been very busy organising events to raise money for the children in school. This term they will be:

- Hosting a whole school 'Advent Disco' for the children on Thursday, 24th November. Permission slips will be sent out shortly. **Please note the deadline for the permission slips to be sent back. The PTA CANNOT accept ANY requests beyond the specified date and your child will NOT be allowed to attend the disco.**
- Hosting a 'Water into Wine' stall at the Sleaford Christmas Market, Sunday, 27th November, in the White Heart Mews. Your child will be coming home with a carpet tube for them to decorate in a Christmas theme for them to use on the stall.
- Hosting a non-uniform day on Friday, 2nd December, with the 'payment' being a chocolate donation! A chocolate tombola will be held after school on Friday, 9th December.

Further details will be sent in due course.

Y6 Curriculum

Please accept my apologies for inadvertently uploading the YR curriculum overview twice at the start of the term. Please find attached the correct Y6 curriculum overview.

If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mrs Hunt. We are always here to help!

Yours sincerely

Mrs N Malthouse
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

18th November	Bake Sale - Children in Need
20th November	Little Church
27th November	Sleaford Christmas Market
28th November	Y5 Class Advent Liturgy - Hope
4th December	Little Church
5th December	Y6 Class Advent Liturgy - Love
7th December	Whole School Pantomime A Date with Dan - Online Safety
12th December	Y4 Advent Liturgy - Joy EYFS/KS1 Nativity 6.30-7.30pm
13th December	Y3 Advent Liturgy - Peace EYFS/KS1 Nativity 2-3pm
14th December	Christmas Lunch KS2 Carol Service - 2-3pm
16th December	Final Day of Term 2 Class Christmas Parties
4th January	Term 3 starts

Advent 2 - Curriculum Overview – Year 6

Subject	Curriculum	Overview
English	Talk for Writing	<p>Fiction - Flashback - Kidnapped: Our first Talk for Writing unit this term will allow the children to explore how to include a flashback scene in their piece of writing. The children will also be exploring the genre of action and the vocabulary that is used in action pieces of writing.</p> <p>Non-fiction - Report - The Arctic Frost Dragon: Our second Talk for Writing unit will allow children to write a report, focusing on describing a creature's appearance, habitat and living habits. The children will also explore descriptive vocabulary and will be including complex sentences in their writing.</p>
	Spelling	During the term, the children will be revising the Year 5/6 statutory words in preparation for the SATs spelling practice tests and to include them into their writing.
	Grammar	This term, the children will be having weekly grammar lessons, exploring different areas each week to practise and expand on their prior knowledge. Grammar worksheets, based on what has been learnt in lesson, will also be sent home as part of their homework.
Maths	Number - Fractions A Number - Fractions B Measurement - Converting Units	This term the children will be recapping on their prior fractions knowledge and using their knowledge to add, subtract and multiply fractions, and solve multi-step problems.
	Multiplication Tables	The children will continue to practise all of their Times Tables both in school and at home. They will also be having a monthly times tables test in preparation for their SATs and to aid them in their maths lessons.
RE	Judaism	Our alternative faith this term is Judaism. The children will be exploring what happens at Rosh Hashanah and what Mikveh is.
	Expectations	During this topic, the children will be exploring the expectations of Christian lives and how those expectations link to scripture about John's expectations of Jesus. We will also be exploring how expectations impact Christians around Advent time.
Art	Exploring Identity	Throughout our Art topic, we will be exploring the works of Njideka Akunyili Crosby, Yinka Shonibare, Mike Barrat and Thandiwe Muriu. The children will be able to know who the artists are and compare their pieces of work. They will also be able to show their emotions and personalities through colour and fine details.
French	Regular Verbs	In our French topic, the children will be exploring how to use regular verbs to ask for clothes and to ask how much an item is. They will also be able to say which clothes they like to wear and give their opinions.
Geography	South America - The Amazon	For Geography, we will be exploring The Amazon in South America. The children will be able to locate The Amazon on the map and identify animals and tribes that are native to The Amazon. We will also be exploring the current damage that is being caused to The Amazon and what can be done to protect it.
Computing	Creating Media - 3D Modelling	This term's computing topic will identify how to work in three dimensions on a computer. The children will learn how to modify a 3D model and will be able to create their own 3D model for a purpose.
PE	Swimming	The children will be continuing with their swimming sessions each Friday. There are no other PE days for the rest of the term, only swimming.
PSHE	Keeping Safe - Out and About	For our PSHE topic this term, the children will be exploring the dangers of peer pressure when outside in their local area. We will be identifying behaviours of someone who may be doing things due to peer pressure. The children will also be learning about consequences for anti-social behaviour and where to go if they need help.
Science	Evolution and Inheritance - The Game of Survival	This term, we will be focusing on biology for science and our main scientists for this topic will be Darwin, Anning and Wallace. During this topic, we will be identifying different characteristics that we as humans have and how no human is identical due to our environmental and inherited characteristics. The children will also be exploring how, through evolution, humans, animals and plants adapt to their environment.