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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL NEWSLETTER

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We have had a busy week in school this week.

Some classes have been down to Sleaford Library this week. They got the opportunity to look around and discover how the library is organised and what you can do there.

Wheelchair basket ball is back in school for this half term with Carl from Inspire Plus. Children in KS2 will get the opportunity to experience basket ball from a wheelchair users perspective.

Parents Evening

Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st January. Please see class teacher to book an appointment.

Bike Lights Event

The Lincolnshire Police Sleaford PCSOs Will Jones and Neil Atkinson will be in the school on Monday 9th February from 3.15pm – 4.15 pm selling bike lights at the cost of £2.50. Should you wish for your child to purchase a set then please make sure they bring £2.50 with them on the day.

Bronze Learners

Nevaeh Esme Harry Albie Ena Lexie Katie
Kane Joel Paris Elizabeth Nathan

School Virtues

Self-control Courage Hope
Love Justice Solidarity

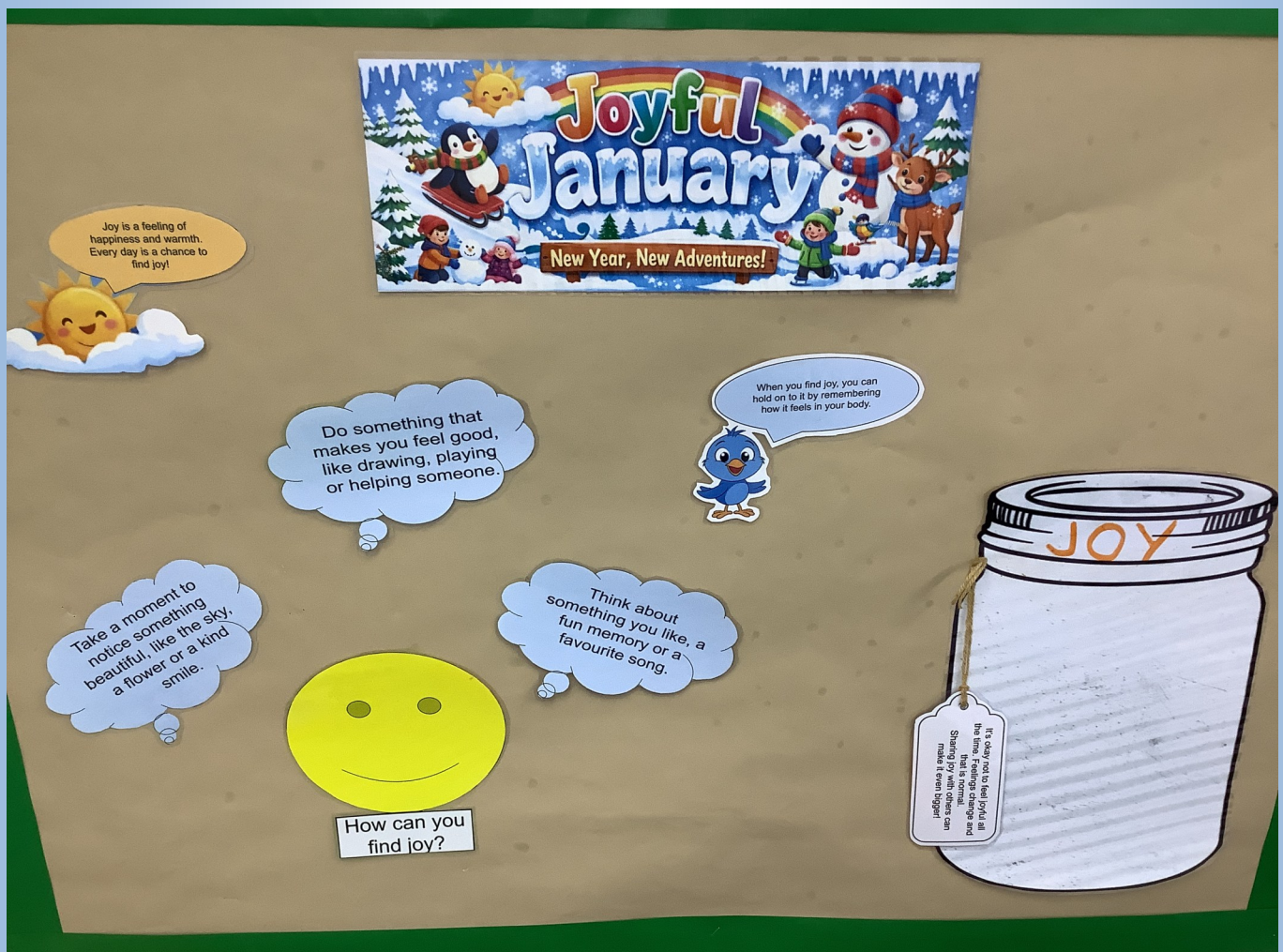
We love, live and learn in the light of Christ



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Joyful January

January is a time to grow, learn and find joy, which is this month's well being focus. Joy is a feeling of great pleasure and happiness, it can feel like a warm fuzzy feeling inside like a hug, a spark of excitement or a calm thought. Every day is a new chance to find joy in the little things, the big things and everything in between. Sharing your joy with others can make the feeling even bigger so Mrs Cockerill is asking the children to fill her 'Jar of Joy' with all the things that bring them joy.





Star of the Week

Reception	Freddie	For settling in so well in his first week and showing great enthusiasm towards his learning.
	Ella	For her wonderful helpful attitude towards her peers and teachers.
Year 1	Hajar	For her supper effort all week segmenting and blending words together in our RWI lessons.
	Tannaya	For some lovely R.E work on why Jesus is special. Tannaya was thoughtful and had a good go at writing her ideas down too.
Year 2	Mylah	For trying really hard with her reading and reading at home.
	Daniela	For taking her time to write an imaginative and neatly written story opening that was a pleasure to read.
Year 3	Logan	For showing a fantastic understanding of the features of a non-chronological report.
	Tyler	For showing off his superb timetables when multiplying a two digit number by a one digit number.
Year 4	Isabella	For working hard in maths lessons every day. She is continuing to develop her confidence and abilities.
	Theo	For joining our school and immersing himself in his lessons. He is always contributing to class discussions and volunteering to help in class.
Year 5	Antonia	For working hard in all lessons and making sure her work is beautifully presented. She has a positive influence on those around her.
	Ethan	For putting 100% into his maths and not giving up when he has made mistakes. He is now a master of multiplying three and four digit numbers.
Year 6	Emmanuel	For showing the value of courage this week and producing an amazing poem in RE to be proud of.
	Dexter	For living out the value of solidarity by listening to peers and using strategies to help himself and others.



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Parish News

Mass times:

Rosary before weekday Masses from 09.45 a.m.

Monday to Thursday Daily Mass is at 10.15 a.m. Friday 11.30 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Mass 6 p.m. (Holyday vigil Mass 7 p.m.)

Sunday morning 10 a.m. (Holyday morning Mass 10.15a.m.)

Confessions by arrangement with Fr Peter Harvey, Parish priest.

Parents who would like their children to receive instruction for First Holy Communion in 2026; please note instruction begins on Monday 12th January 2026 in the Parish Hall ,16.00 -17.00.

Talks on knowing your Faith and what we believe will begin on Wednesday 14th January , 19.00-20.00 in the Parish Hall. All welcome especially those who are interested in being received into the Church at Easter.

Feast Days in January.

18th Peace Sunday

21st St Agnes

22nd St Vincent, Deacon

24th St Francis de Sales

26th St Timothy and St Titus

27th St Angela Merici

28th St Thomas Aquinas

31st St John Bosco.



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DIARY DATES

Date	Event
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January	
Tuesday 20th	Parents Evening 3:30pm –5:30pm
Wednesday 21st	Parents Evening 3:30pm—6pm

February	
Monday 9th	Bike Lights event 3:15pm - 4:15pm
Tuesday 10th	Celebration of Learning assembly 2:30pm
Tuesday 10th	Safer internet day
Thursday 12th	Retreat day
Thursday 12th	Non-uniform day
Thursday 12th	Break for half term
Friday 13th	Inset day
Monday 23rd	Return to school

March	
Tuesday 10th	Jonathon Broom visit Y3 and Y4
Friday 13th	Mother's Day afternoon
Monday 30th	PTA Egg Decorating Competition
Tuesday 31st	Celebration of Learning assembly 2:30pm

April	
Wednesday 1st	Easter Egg Raffle
Thursday 2nd	Holy Week Presentation KS2 2pm
Thursday 2nd	Break for half term
Thursday 2nd	No AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
Monday 20th	Return to school