

Friday 8th October 2021

# NEWSLETTER

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## Stars of the Week

Nursery	Hunter
Reception	Mariam
Year 1	Esra
Year 2	Semi
Year 3	Jan
Year 4	Lia
Year 5	Enea
Year 6	Nadin and Tayondre

## Attendance

Nursery	93%
Reception	98.4%
Year 1	94.9%
Year 2	95.7%
Year 3	97.6%
Year 4	89.6%
Year 5	96.3%
Year 6	98.1%



Lots of birthdays next week - Briar, Muhammad and Chrislove will all be 6, Amanveer will be 4, Mabel will be 9 and Ava and James will both be 11, Happy Birthday for when your special day comes



Photo of the week

The curtain will rise once again on our Christmas performance and subject to no further COVID restrictions performances could even be live! An email will follow with further details!

Watch this space for details on our upcoming Parent's Evening meetings.....

# In the classroom this week....

This week in Nursery we have been very busy. We have been learning about shapes all around us. We went on a walk around the school making shapes out of the natural things that we could find. We used writing patterns to make our owls and stuck coloured paper for the



feathers. We are learning about Mary especially during the month of October. We completed 4 and 8 piece jigsaws to make a picture of our Mother in Heaven. We also made a collage of Mary, using fine motor skills. We wore our super hero costumes on Thursday and had lots of fun with Coach Amy. We played super hero games in our costumes, flying like Superman/Supergirl and racing around in the Bat Mobile.



Reception class have had yet another busy week! We are looking at the changes that are happening in Autumn. We have been on an Autumn walk where we sketched our observations. We saw brown, orange, red and yellow leaves. Some are on the trees and some are falling down. We used our five senses to explore the environment. We heard some birds singing, we felt the wind on our faces and we could smell the damp leaves. For the

month of Mary we are learning about and praying to our Lady. We have been counting in groups of ten looking at the decades of the rosary beads



Another fabulous week in Year 1! We started of the week by consolidating how to count one more and one less from any number within 20 by using a range of resources. We then began to explore how to compare amounts using the words 'greater than', 'less than' and 'equal to'. In literacy, Mr Bear went missing and left a bear print trail that all the children followed which led to everybody exploring where Mr Bear went! We wrote fantastic sentences of where we think Mr Bear might be trying to find peace! Additionally, we were sent a letter asking for more of a description of Mr Bear so others can find him too! The children came up with fantastic adjectives which will feed into next week's writing! In topic, we explored a famous Mancunian called L.S. Lowry and appraised his paintings- many of the children found his paintings inspirational. We used his colour pallet of primary colours to experiment making secondary colours. I wonder what wonders next week will bring.....



What a SUPER week....we have had a busy week in Year Two. We have been learning about place value in our Maths lessons. In English we have been looking at the Smartest Giant and superheroes. In History we have continued our work on George Mottershead, who founded Chester Zoo, October is the month of Mary so in Year 2 we have been talking a lot about Mary and have prayed the Rosary. The school also had Superhero day, it was wonderful to see so many children who came as ordinary heroes, as we all know, not all heroes wear capes



In Year 3 this week we have been writing diary entries imagining we are Tom from the book Seal Surfer. We all wrote about how we nearly drowned while surfing but were so relieved when the seal saved our life by pushing us up using his nose. In Art we used pastels to create artwork to match the beautiful illustrations in Michael Foreman's book. In Maths we have been mastering addition and subtraction. In Science we are studying the skeleton and how this helps us to move freely and protects our organs and supports our bodies. During our dance lesson we performed a superhero dance. In Religion we wrote prayers to our mother, Mary and have been saying the rosary. We made beautiful pictures with flowers using tissue paper



This week as part of our Second World War history topic, Year 4 made Anderson shelters (and a LOT of mess) in the classroom. Amelia said she like using all the shredded paper and trying to make it stick. Willow and Divine used brown paper to make the ground underneath the shelter and tried to make bunk beds to go inside the shelter which was quite hard. Noah enjoyed squeezing the shredded paper and PVA concoction because it felt like weird slime. The children had fun but Mrs Durante said "I did not enjoy helping to clear all the mess up afterwards"

This week, children in Year 5 have been working hard and have reached the end of the place value unit in Maths. We have been looking at negative numbers and how we can apply that knowledge to our daily lives such as reading the temperature. In English the children wrote a recount of the events before Annie Taylor's stunt. The children included excellent language features such as: rhetorical questions, fronted adverbial and multi-clause sentences. Mrs Cullinan and I were extremely impressed and proud of how hard they worked on this topic. In Topic, the children have created beautifully designed Greek vases with geometric patterns that we practiced last week. In the coming weeks the children will begin to transfer their ideas onto clay.

