



## Love • Respect • Shine

At Cheadle Catholic Infant School we **love** and **respect** each other.  
We **love** to learn and let our inner light **shine** brightly in all that we do.

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This week in our Gospel Assembly we listened to the Gospel reading about The Wedding at Cana. We thought about how this very special miracle made such a huge change to the wedding. We thought about the changes we can make in our lives and our world.

We also thought about Mary's words and actions. When the drinks ran out, Mary immediately asked Jesus for help to solve the problem. She believed in Jesus before He'd done anything to prove Himself publicly.

She told others to listen to and follow His instructions (*"Do whatever He tells you."*) We have been thinking carefully about Mary's words this week in school.



## Curriculum News:

### Mrs Windsor

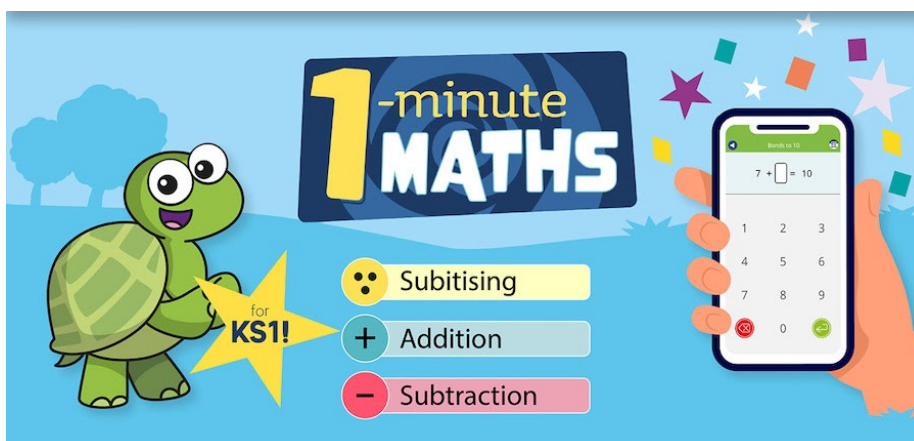
Mrs Windsor came to visit Year 1 this week to speak to them about her trip to the Arctic.

She talked the children about the weather and the types of clothes she had to wear. The children asked her lots of questions about the animals she saw, the food she ate and what she slept on.

Thankyou Mrs Windsor for taking the time to come to visit us. The children really enjoyed hearing your Arctic tales and trying on your Arctic clothes!



### 1 Minute Maths!



We would like to tell you about a new app that is free to download from the app store or from the White Rose Maths website. It is designed for use both in class and at home.

The new **1-Minute Maths** app helps to build greater number confidence and fluency. ALL in 1 minute chunks.

Perfect for the children in the infants.

This first version of the app is aimed at Year 1 /2 children and focuses on addition, subtraction and subitising. Children can choose any topic they want to try. They then answer a unique series of questions (so it's a different set of questions every time). If they're struggling with a question, a 'Hint' button will give a helpful clue by showing the question in a different but familiar way.

When the one minute's up, they'll see a feedback screen telling them how they've done

Give it a go and let us know what you think.

The free mobile app is available for Apple/iOS, Android and Kindle.  
Have fun!



### Rekenrek

This year we have introduced a new maths resource in Year 1 and Year 2. It is called a Rekenrek. Please click on the link below which will take you to a You Tube video that will explain how your child/children are using them in their mastery lesson in school.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gtb7X2UJNWw>

### Number sense

I would also like to share another link. This is to a You Tube video which explains how we teach maths in Reception. It is a video that explains what we mean by the term ' number sense' and why we are working deeply with numbers 0-10.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Ow8vEmh8IA>

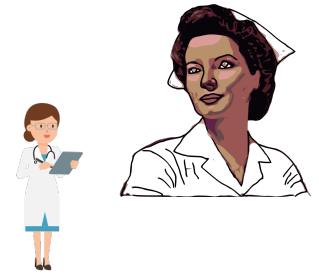
Thankyou,

Mrs Allwright ( Maths Co-ordinator )



### Reception Super Hero Day!!

On Friday 4th February our Reception children will be celebrating Super Hero Day as part of their topic. Reception children may come to school dressed as their favourite Super Hero for the day.



### Uniform Consultation:

Please click on the link below to read the letter. Click on the link within the letter to state your preference:

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/cheadlecatholicinfantschoolcheshire/UploadedDocument/c9434105-653c-41cc-9018-56a1c2835846/uniform-consultation-jan-2022.pdf>



### St Chad's Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy is now back up and running with families. It takes place at the 9.30am Mass at St Chad's. (Term time only.)

**Staff News:**

**Breakfast Club:** From Monday our new Breakfast Club Managers will be:

Mrs Armstrong:- Mon-Wed

Mrs Mellor:- Thur-Fr

Once again we thank Mrs Taylor for all of her hard work in setting up and running the Breakfast Club for 4 years. It continues to be hugely popular and provides very important childcare for our working parents.

**Forest Schools:**

Today the children in Year 1, Reception and Nursery have been enjoying their Forest Schools session. Once again a huge thankyou to Mrs Marshall for all of her planning and for making the sessions so special for the children.

It was a muddy one today and R3 get the prize for being the muddiest class!!







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Photos from the sessions are available to view on our website.

<https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/news/detail/forest-schools-21122/>

The timetable for the next sessions are as follows:

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January:** Nursery 1

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Jan:** Nursery 2, Year 2 & Reception

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February:** Nursery 1

**Friday Feb 4<sup>th</sup>:** Nursery 2, Year 1 & Year 2

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February:** Nursery 1

**Friday Feb 11<sup>th</sup>:** Nursery 2, Year 1 & Reception

### **COVID UPDATE**

The latest guidance from the government states:

***'You will not be required to wear a face covering, including in communal areas of schools, but the government suggests you continue to wear one in crowded and indoor spaces where you may come into contact with people you do not normally meet.'***

However, as we still have increasing rates of covid within our schools we are asking that visitors and staff continue to wear face coverings when moving around inside the school or in communal areas. Although not compulsory, we would also welcome the wearing of face masks outside of school until our rates start to drop.

We are hoping to move back to face to face assemblies after half term and if the rates within schools drop we will look at re introducing Thumbs Up mornings and 'Drop Everything & Read.' These two school events will involve inviting parents back into school.....There will be more information to follow after half term. Let us all pray that we are over the worst now and that we can begin to open our doors once more.

### **WhatsApp**

Many of you are members of WhatsApp or other social media groups that connect parents in a particular class. Ideally, the group chats are useful places to share information regarding your child's day in school; receiving updates and reminders about school events; as well as sharing parenting advice.

Most of the time, these group chats can be a great resource and an enjoyable place to be in. But, as with many things in life, there are those unfortunate times where someone in the group may say something inappropriate.

In order to prevent any miscommunications, here are some guidelines:

- If you have a query or concern about the teacher or the school leadership always **talk to them directly**. Face to face is always the best way and is the only way that issues can be resolved.
- When writing, remember that that whatever you say on social media may be forwarded to someone else, and in a few minutes it may be seen by half of the school.

- Cheadle Catholic Infant School has a clear policy for parents and students about the use of social media outlets and/or forums. Please click on the link below to remind yourself of its content.

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/cheadlecatholicinfantschoolcheshire/UploadedDocument/1ded9eb4-1717-4b1b-934f-d8ea76c0a219/social-networking-policy-2021-22.pdf>

- The first section states:

*All parents are invited to join staff in setting a good example for our children by:*

- *Demonstrating courtesy and respect for staff, other parents and pupils when comments are placed on social networking sites.*
- *Using appropriate language when discussing school.*
- ***Addressing any issues or concerns regarding school, directly with the Headteacher, member of staff or governors rather than posting them on social media.***

If you have any comments or concerns about WhatsApp please contact me directly.

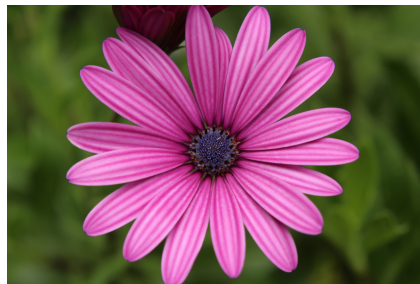
Please continue to keep our Cheadle Catholic family in your prayers,

Mrs Glynn.

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[Tel: 0161 4858733](tel:01614858733)

### **Pause for Reflection**



***'Jesus was sent to bring the Good News, to enter the heart of each one of us.'***

**Pope Francis**

Congratulations to all of our new stars of the week!

Nursery: Teddy C & Archie  
 R1: Joshua CM & Audrey  
 R2: Hattie & Matthew  
 R3: Amelia & Adam  
 1O: Daniel & Amabelle  
 1DW: Teddy & Evelyn  
 1BM: Isaac & Ada-Mae

2L: Isabelle & Marta  
 2W: Teddy & Lucie  
 2ON: Matilda & Oliver

### **Provisional Diary Dates**

**Sport's Day dates and class trips have yet to be finalised.**

<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Reception Super Hero Day
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	PSA Pyjama Day
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February</b>	School closes for half term
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	School re-opens for Spring Term 2
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Parent's Evening 4.30-6.30pm
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Parent's Evening 4.30-6.30pm
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	First Forgiveness: Class 2ON 2pm in school hall (Parents will be invited)
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	First Forgiveness: Class 2L 2pm in school hall (Parents will be invited)
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Class 1O Easter Assembly 9.15am in school hall (Parents will be invited)
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Class 1DW Easter Assembly 9.15am in school hall (Parents will be invited)
<b>Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Class 1BM Easter Assembly 9.15am in school hall (Parents will be invited)
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>	First Forgiveness: Class 2W 2pm in school hall (Parents will be invited)
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>	School Closes for Easter holidays
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	School re-opens for Summer Term 1
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>	School closes for Whit Holidays
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June</b>	School re-opens for Summer Term 2
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	School closes for summer holidays

### **REMINDERS:**

#### **PSA Fundraiser:**

Following some 'gentle' persuasion by the children, we will soon be holding a Pyjamas/ Onesie day to raise further funds for our outdoor learning projects on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February.

Here's to a cosy day!

#### **Online Safety- A message from Mrs Kemal (Computing Co-ordinator)**

On the Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February we will be celebrating Safer Internet day with the children. This year's theme is 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'.



Each year group will be taking part in activities that teach the children how to be kind and respectful when they are online. We will also learn about how we can help keep ourselves safe when using online devices.

Online safety is very important to us here at Cheadle Catholic Infant School and we would like to gain a better understanding of what our pupils are using the internet for at home. This will help us to ensure our online safety curriculum meets the needs of all our children. If you could complete the following online safety survey it would be very much appreciated.

<https://forms.gle/26Wack26q1FXpXvz8>

Please see the E-safety section on our school website for up to date guides and advice on keeping your child safe online.

### **REMINDER: NURSERY SCHOOL PLACES**

Applications for nursery places for September 2022 are also being accepted online. ( born between 1.9.18 and 31.8.19)

Closing date is **31st March 2022**

[www.stockport.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.stockport.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

If you have any queries please email the admissions team at [admissions.support@stockport.gov.uk](mailto:admissions.support@stockport.gov.uk)

### **Stockport Family at Cheadle Catholic Schools**

Stockport Family is an integrated service for children, young people and families. Strong relationships and the development of an integrated 'Team Around the School,' are the heart of Stockport Family.

All schools have a named Social Worker, a named Stockport Family Worker and a School Nurse who provide advice, guidance and support to families who need it.

They can offer advice on children's sleep, diet, behaviour as well as advice on claiming benefits, parenting courses and mental health support.

If we have enough interest our team will also offer parent workshops on sleep, diet etc.

**The named Social Worker for Cheadle Catholic Schools is Sonia Nunes.**

**The named Family Worker is Amy Buchan and our School Nurse is Sarah Capel. They are our Cheadle Catholic Stockport Family Support Team.**

Our Support Team will be offering regular drop in sessions for parents and carers. During these sessions our Team will be available to talk to any parents/ carers who have any concerns at all about their children or families. The sessions will be very informal and you will not need to make an appointment.

However, if you wish to speak to a member of the Team confidentially please contact me and I will make a separate appointment for you.

Our first drop in session will be on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 9am-11am**. The session will take place in the Junior School in their Faith Room (one of the mobile classrooms.) If you wish to attend, please report to school reception and we will direct you to the room.

Sonia (Social Worker) will also be available at the beginning of the day before school and will greet parents on the playgrounds with Mrs Fender and myself.

