



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 Assembly we listened to the story of Doubting Thomas. Thomas wouldn't believe that Jesus was alive until he had seen Him. We talked about the importance of faith and how our faith helps us throughout our lives. The children made some very thoughtful comments. Well done children!

**"Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believed."
John 20:29**

Thankyou Mrs Lees for leading our Assembly on Monday.



Science Week



This week we have been celebrating Science week in school and we started it all off on Friday by celebrating Earth Day. The children enjoyed being outside and exploring our beautiful grounds in Forest School. The children thought about how they can continue to help the planet and they have made their own pledges.

The focus of our week has been on how we can look after our world and in particular how we can reduce air pollution.

Alice and Floryn worked together at home to produce their own poster about looking after the planet. We love the artwork and the very important messages on the poster.

Fantastic work girls!

We have learnt about the work of David Attenborough who has been awarded the title 'The Champion of the Earth.'

Reception have looked at how they have grown and have measured themselves using string and different equipment.

Year 1 have learnt how their bodies change and the new skills they develop as they grow older.

Year 2 have discussed the work of Maggie Aderin-Pocock, Stephen Hawkin and Greta Thunberg as well as observing, identifying and classifying worms!



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We had a visit from The Birdman. He showed us a Hawk, a Barn Owl and a Bald Eagle. We learnt facts about birds of prey, how they fly and their habitat.
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Ofcourse the highlight of Science Week was the visit from the Birdman!!

A huge thankyou to all of the staff and in particular Mrs Brennan-Sweeney (Science co-ordinator) for planning such an exciting and enriching week. The children have loved every minute of it and have produced some amazing work.

Cross Country

On Monday we held a cross country event here in school where our Year 1 & 2 children raced against other local schools. We are delighted to say that we came first place overall with a first place in the Year 1 girl's race and first place in the Year 2 boy's race!! Every single child finished the course and we are very proud of them all. A special well done to Toby & Olivia for winning their races.

Our daily Smile for a Mile is really helping our children to become fit and healthy runners with great stamina and determination.





Parish News:

On Sunday St Ann's church will be hosting a Family Day starting at 12pm. The day will be led by the Diocesan Youth Team and the Diocesan Catechetical Team. You are invited to arrive for 12pm with your packed lunch and stay for as long as you can. The day will finish with Mass at 5pm for those who would like to stay until then. There will be talks and activities for children and also for the adults throughout the afternoon.

If you haven't yet returned to Mass with your children after the pandemic this would be the perfect opportunity to re-introduce your children to church and a great way to meet other parishioners.

Eid al- Fitr

Many of our Muslim families are currently observing Ramadan. During the month of Ramadan, Muslims won't eat or drink between dawn and sunset. This is called fasting.



Fasting is important during Ramadan as it allows Muslim people to devote themselves to their faith. Ramadan is also a time for spiritual reflection, prayer, doing good deeds and spending time with family and friends.

There is a special festival to mark the end of Ramadan. This is called Eid al-Fitr - the Festival of the Breaking of the Fast. It begins when the first sight of the new moon is seen in the sky. This is a wonderful celebration where families get together and celebrate the good things that have happened throughout the year and often children are given presents!

This year, Eid al-Fitr is expected to be celebrated on Monday 2nd May or Tuesday 3rd May. However, the exact date is subject to the sighting of the new moon.

We wish all of our Muslim children and families Eid Mubarak and we look forward to hearing all about your celebrations.

Oliver Twist:

Traditionally at Cheadle Catholic Infant School we have welcomed M & M theatre company into school for a Christmas pantomime. Unfortunately due to covid restrictions we have not been able to do this for the past two years.

We are, however, delighted to say that M & M theatre company are visiting us on Tuesday 3rd May for an Infant version of Oliver Twist. This will be a wonderful opportunity for the children to experience a trip to the theatre in our own school hall. The performance will be for children in Reception to Year 2. Year 2 children will then have the opportunity to take part in a question and answer session after the performance.



In order to fund the cost of the performance we are asking for voluntary donations which can be paid via Pay 360 under 'events'.

Stranger Danger:

We speak to the children regularly about stranger danger in school and how they can keep themselves safe. Please see below some useful advice from the local authority.

Protecting younger children

Statistics show that crime against young children by strangers is rare. Even so, there are steps you can take to help to protect your child:

- Tell your child to avoid talking to people they don't know, unless a you are with them to say it is ok.
- Make sure your child knows never to walk away with people they don't know/know well.
- Plan safe routes with your child- busy and well-lit spaces are best.
- Make sure your child understands that they should always tell you if a someone they don't know approaches them, and never to keep this secret.
- If your child is travelling alone, tell them to sit near other families on the train or bus and near the driver if possible.
- If your child gets lost, they should ask for help from a police officer, another grown-up with children or someone working at a nearby shop.
- Have your children learn their address and an appropriate telephone number by heart

Reception places available:

We do have some Reception places available for September 2022. If you know of any families who may be interested please ask them to contact the school office for further information.

admin@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk

0161 4858733

PSA News:

Save the date!!

Friday 20th May PSA Platinum Jubilee Quiz Night in the Infant School Hall 7pm

Refreshments will be available.

Tickets will go on sale soon.

And finally:

Please continue to pray for all those in our school and parish communities who are dealing with illness, loneliness, anxiety and bereavement. May they find comfort in the knowledge that they are in our thoughts and prayers.

Please also continue to pray for the people of Ukraine. Let's continue to do all we can to support them.

Wishing you all a lovely Bank Holiday weekend

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Pause for Reflection



‘The natural world is the greatest source of excitement, the greatest source of visual beauty. It is the greatest source of so much in life that makes life worth living.’

David Attenborough

Please continue to keep Mrs Wigfield, her family and the people of Ukraine in your prayers.

Congratulations to all of our new stars of the week!

Nursery:

R1: Ryan & Erina

R2: Kieron & Mabel

R3: Leon & Ella

1O: Roza & Janiah

1DW: Archie & Emma

1BM: Alexander & Connie

2L: Daniel & Marta

2W: Alex & Lucie

2ON: Gia & Tommy



Provisional Diary Dates

<https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/news-and-events/calendar/>

Monday 2nd May	May Day: School Closed
Tuesday 3rd May	Oliver Twist performance for Reception, Year 1 & year 2 children.
Tuesday 10th May	Nursery 1 & FT Nursery Sport's Morning 9.15am Reception Sports Morning 10.30am
Tuesday 17th May	New Reception Parent's Meeting 7pm in the school hall.
Thursday 19th May	Nursery 2 Sports Morning 9.15m
Wednesday 25th May	Thumbs Up Morning 8.45-9.15am (11.45-12.15pm for Nursery 2 parents)
Friday 27th May	School closes for Whit Holidays
Monday 13th June	School re-opens for Summer Term 2
Friday 24th June	Year 1 Sports Morning 9.30am Year 2 Sports Morning 10.45am
Friday 22nd July	School closes for summer holidays

REMINDERS:

Homes for Ukraine Scheme

We understand that there are families in our school community who have applied to offer a home to people fleeing Ukraine under the government's Home for Ukraine scheme, and that sponsors could soon be welcoming their guests.

We would like to offer assistance to anyone hosting Ukrainian refugees by bringing together supplies needed to make their stay as comfortable as possible.

Laura Quigley, one of parent governors, has offered to coordinate this. Can we ask that if you are a successful sponsor, you email Laura at her governor email address (below) setting out as much information as you know about the refugees arriving and we will then put out a message to the school community requesting donations for the specific items needed. We hope to be able to offer clothing, bedding, toiletries, toys etc.

We will also request volunteers if needed to help with this effort, depending on the amount of assistance requested.

Laura's email address: gov.laura.quigley@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk

Hopefully our wonderful school community can come together once again to provide this help for anyone joining families in our local area.

Forest Schools:

Friday 6th May: Nursery, Reception & Year 1
Friday 13th May: Nursery, Reception & Year 2
Friday 20th May: Nursery, Year 1 & Year 2
Friday 27th May: Nursery, Reception & Year 1

Nursery 1: Tuesday 26th April, Tuesday 10th May, Tuesday 24th May.

