Newsletter 8

Cheadle Catholic Infant School





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,

Welcome back to school, we hope you all had an enjoyable half-term holiday.

For your information I have listed below this half term's RE objectives. Other subjects will be outlined in more detail in year group knowledge organisers.

THE WAY, THE TRUTH and THE LIFE...

My Family- Nursery

The children will:

- Know God gives us a family to look after us and reflect on what our family does for us.
- Know that the Angel Gabriel came to visit Mary and reflect on the Angel's good news for Mary.
- Know that Jesus came to earth as a little baby and think of how important this is for us.
- Know that Christmas is the birthday of Jesus and be aware that this is a very special celebration



God's Family- Reception

The children will:

- Know that the Angel Gabriel asked Mary to be the mother of God's son and reflect on Mary's reply to the Angel.
- Know that in Advent we prepare to celebrate Christmas and think of ways we can prepare.
- Know the story of the birth of Jesus and reflect on how important this for us.
- Know that shepherds were the first to hear about the birth of Jesus and reflect on the good news they received.

Mary, Mother of God- Year One

The children will:

- Know that God sent the Angel Gabriel to ask Mary to be the mother of His son and talk about Mary's response.
- Hear about Mary's visit to her cousin Elizabeth and reflect on their good news.
- Know that Advent is a time when we prepare to celebrate the birthday of Jesus. and talk about the preparations we can make.
- Know that the shepherds were the first to hear about the birth of Jesus and reflect on the joy of Mary and Joseph.
- Know that Mary is our mother too and think about how she looks after us.

Mysteries- Year Two

The children in Year Two will learn the difference between a puzzle and a mystery. They will be given the opportunity to ask and wonder about God.

They will:

- Know what is meant by 'a mystery'.
- Know that the Trinity is a great mystery.
- Know that God chose Mary to be the mother of Jesus.
- Know that in Advent we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus.
- Know about the birth of Jesus.
- Know that the Wise Men came to worship Jesus.



All Saints

On Monday we celebrated All Saints Day in school. We thanked God for all our Saints and reminded ourselves about all the special work they have done.

Saints are people who let God's spirit work through them, filling their hearts with love. We thought about the Saints we know and the Saints who we are named after.

Well done children for your wonderful work about Saints this week.





November Intentions

During the month of November we remember those who have died- family, friends, and neighbours. We will remember them all in our assemblies, especially those who have in some way been part of our school family. Please bring in your November intention slip if you wish for us to pray for a loved one during November.

Fire safety

On Monday we welcomed some very special visitors into school. Our local fire fighters came in to speak to us about firework safety. They taught us how to 'stop, drop and roll,' if we ever need to, how to dial 999 and reminded us about the importance of smoke alarms.

Thankyou Mr Rowlands and your team for giving up some of your valuable time to speak to us in school about fire safety.



PIC.COLLAGE

Please click on the link for information about fire safety in your home. <u>https://www.manchesterfire.gov.uk/your-safety/fire-safety/your-home-safety/</u>

Every house needs smoke alarms. If you do not have smoke alarms please contact the fire service contact centre on 0800555815 and you may be able to arrange for some alarms to be fitted free of charge.

Site Supervisor:

Mr Huddleston will be leaving us at Christmas in order to begin his retirement after 20 years of service at our school and the Junior school. We are all going to miss him very, very much not only for all of his care and hard work but also for the fun and laughter he brings to Cheadle Catholic Infant School. The children will miss him just as much as we will and it is going to be very hard to say

farewell. However, we will send Mr Huddleston on his way with lots of love and good memories and we are happy that he will be able to spend some well earned quality time with his family as he begins the next chapter in his life.

The governors are now seeking to appoint a new Site Supervisor to start in December in order to allow for some crossover time with Mr Huddleston. For more information and details how to apply please look at our school website:

https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/vacancies-2/

If you have any questions at all about the position please do not hesitate to contact me or Mrs Spencer by telephone or email.

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Break the Rules Day

Well I am pleased to say that we all survived the day in one piece!! We have had lots of fun today as well as raising much needed funds for the PSA.

When we have a final total we will let you know.

Thankyou for all of your support.

I think that I now need a lie down and I will be looking forward to putting the rules back in place on Monday!

Adopt an Author:

We want the children in school to be able to talk about a wide range of authors and illustrators. Most children name Julia Donaldson and Roald Dahl when they talk about favourite authors which is a great start but we want to widen their experiences so every class has adopted an author. They have all been enjoying reading a selection of their books and getting to know their adopted authors. It would be

lovely if you could get involved at home and perhaps borrow one of their books from the library or find out about the author at home.

- Nursery: Eric Carle
- R1: Trish Cooke



- R2: Sue Hendry
- R3: Mick Inkpen
- 1DW: Nadia Shireen
- 10: Caryl Hart
- 1BM: Martin Waddell
- 2L: Emily Gravett
- 2W: Alex T.Smith
- 20N: Atinuke

School Uniform Reminder:

Children may continue to wear their school PE kit on their PE days.

PE days are as follows:

Reception: Friday Year 1: Wednesday & Thursday Year 2 : Wednesday & Thursday

PE kit consists of

- A yellow t shirt
- Black joggers or shorts.
- School jumper/ cardigan or black or blue hoodie or fleece.
- Velcro trainers
- On Wednesdays Year 1 & 2 children must also bring in black school PE shorts to change into.

On other days children must now wear their winter school uniform:

- Grey Cheadle Catholic Infant School jumper or cardigan
- White short sleeved blouse or shirt
- Grey school trousers, shorts, pinafore or skirt
- School tie
- Black velcro school shoes NOT trainers.

Site Security:

Unfortunately the fencing work was not completed over the half term holiday. Over the next few weeks boundary fences will be erected at the front of the school between the playing field and the school grounds. This means that there will no longer be any access to the playing fields via the school site.

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Pause for Reflection



'Cherish the natural world because you're a part of it and you depend upon it.'

David Attenborough

Congratulations to all of our new stars of the week!

Nursery: George & Maia R1: Walter & Elsie R2: Matthew & Evelyn R3: Charlie A & Imogen 10: Lydia & Daniel 1DW: Ciara & Sammy 1BM: Oliver & Orla 2L: Alice & Greyson 2W: Mikaela & Bertie 2ON: Ella & Harry

Provisional Diary Dates

Friday 5 th November	Break The Rules Day
Wednesday 10 th November	Individual School Photographs
Friday 12 th November	Flu Nasal Sprays
Wednesday 17 th November	Children In Need Day for Nursery 1 children.
	Wear your own clothes to school and make donation on Pay 360
Friday 19 th November	Children In Need Day
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	History Workshop Year 2
Thursday 25 th November	Tree Planting Day

Reminders

Helping others...

CHILDREN IN NEED

On **Friday 19th November (Wednesday 17th November for Nursery 1 children.)** we will be having a non- uniform day to raise money for Children in Need. The children can wear their own clothes, teddy ears, spotty clothes and make a £1 donation. Please use our online Pay 360 system for your donations.

Building Fund

As a Catholic school the majority of our income comes from state funding. However, in return for the right to promote the Catholic Faith, 10% of the cost of all building work, repairs and maintenance must be met by the Diocese. At one point, donations through collection at mass were enough to meet this cost, but funding from the `plate' has fallen well short of the bill for many years now.

In 2000 the Shrewsbury Diocese introduced a building fund in order to meet the 10% cost of all works on its Catholic schools with all those parents choosing Catholic education for their children asked to make the voluntary contribution of **£15 per child, per year**.

Whilst this is a suggested donation, Cheadle Catholic Infant School has to make a payment for each child to the Diocesan fund - regardless of whether parents opt to pay or not.

Last year we had to pay the shortfall from the school budget - money that was much needed for resources, energy costs etc.

I do appreciate that this has been a difficult couple of years for families but I would ask parents to consider why choosing a place at a Catholic school was so important to you and make a donation if you can.

I have attached a leaflet with details of how to pay. Alternatively you may pay using our online Sims payment (**pay360 Education Payments)** system.

Thankyou for your support.