



Following in the footsteps of Jesus, we learn, love and laugh together

Friday 22nd September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

This week Democracy was very much a focus for pupils in all year groups. Following the presentation for our Junior Leadership team and School Councillors, pupils have been voting for who they feel best represents our shared values. We're very proud of all who put themselves forward to either represent their class or school.

Next Tuesday we will gather together as a whole school community for the first mass of our academic year. This will take place here at school, in the school hall at 10 am. You are very welcome to attend.

On Tuesday 3rd October we will have a curriculum evening (5pm for FS2/KS1, 6pm for KS2). Following our meeting in the summer term where we announced changes to our class organisation, we encourage your attendance. This is an opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and to gain an insight into how the curriculum is being delivered.

For your convenience we will provide a crèche. To enable us to organise numbers we ask that you confirm numbers on our school spider survey.

Today is Mrs Kellacher's last day in school as she begins her maternity leave on Monday. We wish her all the very best and look forward to meeting the newest member of the Kellacher family in the not too distant future.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes

Eileen Murtagh

Attendance

Overall Attendance this week **98.1%**.

Across the school, **1 hour 40 minutes** of learning time was lost this week through late arrivals.

Don't underestimate the importance of 100% attendance. Even one day missed can have an effect on learning.

98% attendance means **4** school days missed
95% attendance means **10** school days missed
90% attendance means **19** school days missed
80% attendance means **38** school days missed
5 minutes late each day means **3** school days missed

Lower than 90% Attendance	90-95% Attendance	96-100% Attendance
		Cherry Class Elm Class Yew Class Cypress Class

Please be aware that requests for children to take holidays during term time will be classed as an unauthorised absence.

Please be aware that unauthorised absences that exceed 5 school days during term time will receive a fixed penalty notice (FPN).

St Luke's Lion Cubs

We had a lovely time at our first tots group this week. We hope to see you/friends and family next week for a play.



FoSL dates for your diary

Friday 13th October - Bag2School collection

Wednesday 18th October - Halloween Disco

CAFOD

Caring for our local environment! The Cafod group have chosen to give up part of their lunch break to do a litter pick. Thank you, everybody.



After School Clubs

Clubs started up this week, here are some of the Netballers developing their skills!



Cherry Class

This week in English we have been exploring where penguins live and writing some facts. We packed a suitcase thinking about what we might need to take with us to a cold country.

In maths we have been subitising to 3 (Reception) and representing one more and less (Year 1) in different ways.

In 'The Way, The Truth and The Life' we have been learning about God's wonderful world and we have been representing what we love about our world in different ways.

In Geography we have been using maps to explore school and we created our own map of the classroom using a key.

In history, we are starting to look at how our school has changed over the last 40 years. We would love it if anyone had any information to share about this.

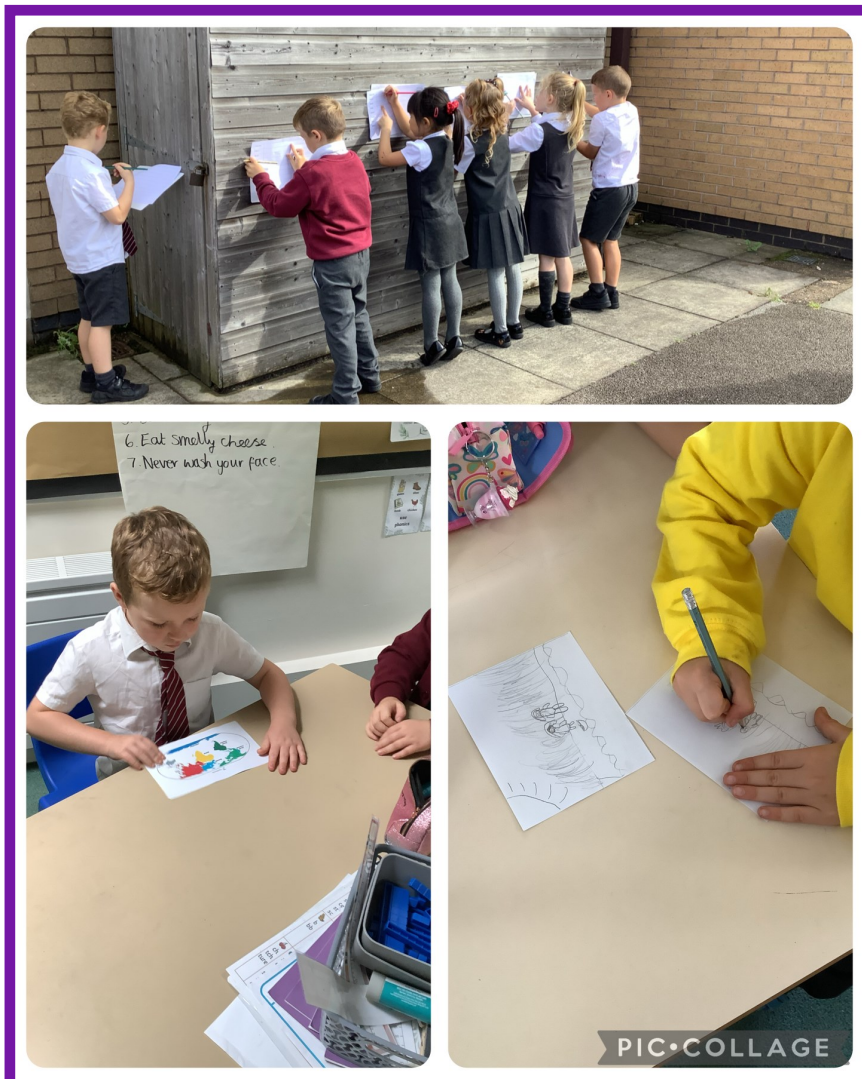


Elm Class

This week we have been very busy carrying on with our story Troll Swap, writing instructions on how to be a good troll and a letter describing Tabitha's behaviour!

In Geography, we have looked at the position of the different continents and in Science we explored the school ground to see what objects are made out of.

In 'The Way, The Truth and The Life' we have been focusing on the story of Moses.



Yew Class

We have had another very busy week in Yew class this week. We started off our Monday with computing, French, PE and music.

On Tuesday we started our history topic. We generated lots of questions about the Shang Dynasty of Ancient China.

In geography we have been looking at features of rivers. We used maps and atlases to follow a river's journey from its source to its mouth, along with piecing together a river puzzle and labelling the features of a river on some photographs.

We are looking forward to lots more learning next week!



Cypress Class

It has been another busy week for Cypress Tree Class. In English, we have enjoyed reading more of our focus text and used this as inspiration for our writing. We particularly enjoyed building up suspense in our diary entries after we read about the mysterious character called 'Madame Eleven O'clock'.

In this week's history lesson, we were creating timelines focusing on the Ancient Maya Civilisation. Year 5 researched the different periods whilst Year 6 drew a timelines to scale and included key information/ events that happened.

We also really enjoyed finding out more about Edvard Munch who is our focus artist for this term. Using his most famous piece, The Scream, we discussed our own thoughts and feelings about the artwork and explored the subject and theme. It has been another great week in our class!



Award winners

Well done to this week's award winners... Please note we are only able to invite parents/carers of Headteacher and Subject Award Winners

Well done to our new Junior Leaders, we're very proud of you



Headteacher Awards

Pride Award



Subject Awards

PE Superstars

