



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

Friday 29th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Reflecting on the week, Tuesday seems to have been our busiest day. On European Day of Languages, children were invited to dress in the colours that represent the country they were focusing on. Throughout the day the children took part in a range of activities, celebrating the language, culture and food of their chosen country. Lola from Yew Tree Class said "It was amazing, the food tasting was my favourite part. I loved the patatas bravas".

There was an opportunity to share their learning in a whole school assembly at the end of the day.

At the beginning of the day we gathered together as a whole school community for our whole school mass to celebrate the beginning of the academic year. The theme of our mass was Friendship. That is something we value greatly at St. Luke's. Thank you to Father James for celebrating mass with us. It was lovely to welcome parents and parishioners.

We have a very active CAFOD club at St. Luke's. They are extremely passionate about supporting the needs of others. On Wednesday afternoon they welcomed Margaret, our local CAFOD representative. Margaret led an assembly on the theme of Brighten Up. This has inspired the group to focus on their campaign.

Next Friday, they invite everyone to wear bright colours, by doing so they will be asked to bring tinned and packet food to support our harvest collection. They will then deliver all donations to the local Foodbank.

Next Tuesday evening we have our curriculum evening. We look forward to welcoming you. A crèche will be provided, please complete the school spider survey to indicate attendance.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Eileen Murtagh

Little Church

Come and join us for Little Church on Saturday this week during 6pm mass

Attendance

Overall Attendance this week **97.7%**.

Across the school, **14 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

Lots of Tots came to play this week and had a lovely time!



After School Club

Mrs Harrogate's badminton club had a great time this week.



Friends of St Luke's

Bag 2 School -

All children should have received a Bag2School bag and leaflet this week. Please place any good quality clothes, paired shoes, bags or household linen (towels, curtains, bedding etc) in the donation bag. Donation bags can be dropped off in the gazebo from week commencing Monday 9th October and the collection will be at 9am Friday 13th October.

Halloween Disco -

The FoSL Halloween disco will be held from 5.00pm - 6.15pm on Wednesday 18th October. Tickets will be £3 and include a hot snack, sweet treat and drinks. This will be available to book next week on ParentPay.

Cafod 'Be Bright Day' on Friday 6th October

Camila and Violet wanted to let you know that next Friday 6th October the Cafod group have organised Be Bright Day. They are asking for children to wear bright colours to 'Brighten up our world' and to donate tinned food that can be donated to the local food bank.



Cherry Class

This week Cherry Class had a fantastic day celebrating the European Day of Languages. We looked at where Poland is on the map, made a Polish flag and tasted some Polish food.

In English we have been writing sentences about our book Lost and Found and thinking about how the characters might feel at different points on the story.

In Maths we have been comparing amounts and learning about greater than and less than.

In science we have been looking at different materials and their properties. We have sorted recycling into different groups according to different properties.



Elm Class

This week Elm Class has been extremely busy. We had an amazing European day looking at Slovakia and learning about their culture. We particularly enjoyed the food tasting!

We have also been carrying on looking at the story of Moses in 'The Way, The Truth and The Life' and why it is a happy story.

In Science, we investigated what materials were made out of and why objects are made of certain materials.

On Thursday we took a trip to our school library which was really exciting! Plus, we have been trying extremely hard all week with our maths and wonderfully writing!



Yew Class

We had a very busy beginning of our week in Yew Class. On Tuesday, we celebrated 'European Languages Day'. Our theme for the day was Spain. Children dressed in yellow and red and we had a day of fun activities learning about Spain and the language.

We started off our day listening to some Spanish music and then learnt some greetings which we rehearsed on our tables. We learnt the names of colours and numbers in Spanish and listened to a story.

In the afternoon, we had a special guest, Mr Dans come and talk to us about growing up in Spain. The main event however, was food tasting! The children tried 'Spanish tapas' including a variety of sweet and savoury foods such as chorizo, breadsticks, pastry biscuits and churros. We had such an amazing day!

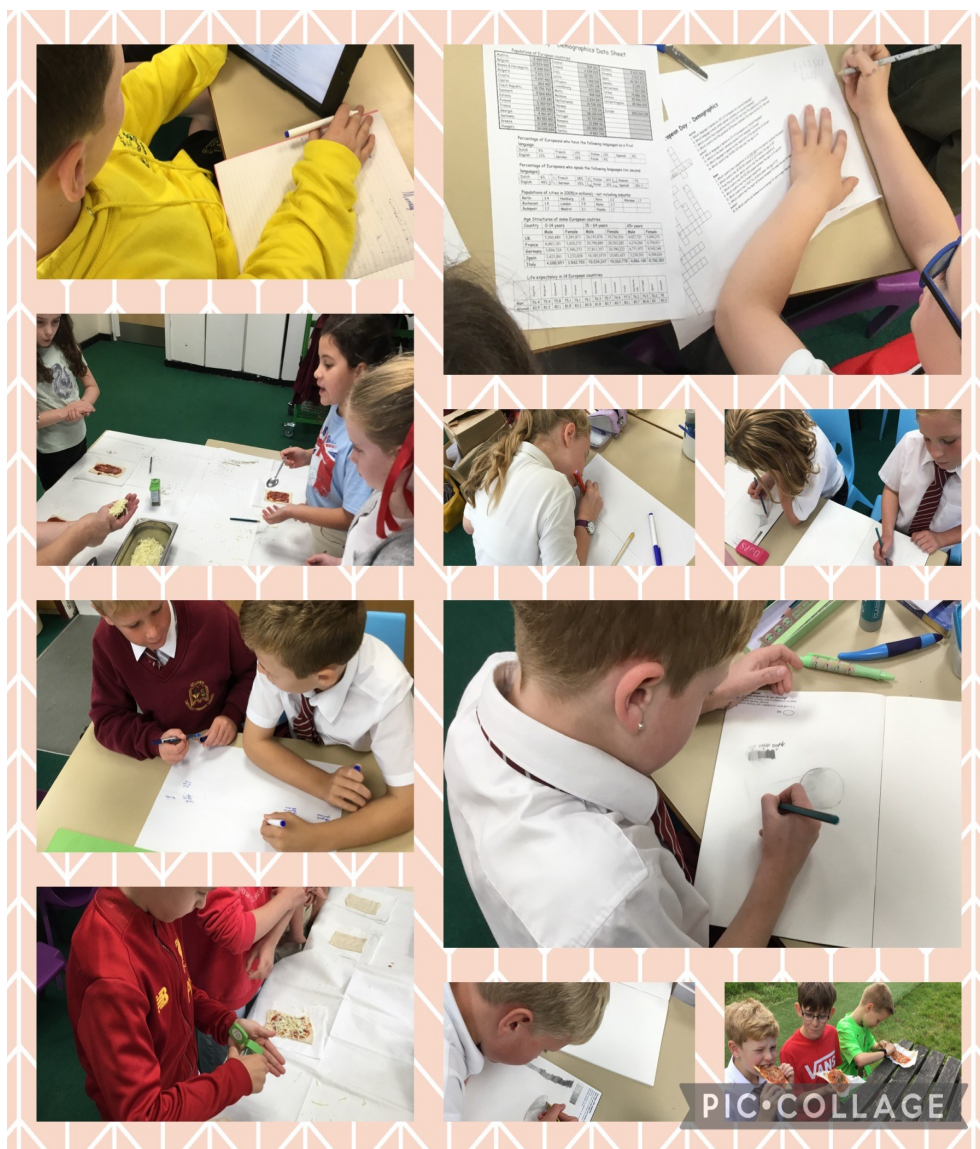


Cypress Class

We have had another wonderful week in Cypress Tree Class. We thoroughly enjoyed celebrating European Day of Languages on Tuesday. Our country was Italy and our day was filled with lots of exciting activities linked with Italian culture. The highlight of the day for many was when we transformed our class into an Italian kitchen and made pizzas, which we later enjoyed as part of our Italian picnic in the pavilion.

In this week's whole class reading session, we have been reading about Charles Darwin. This really helped us in our science lesson where we were learning about adaption and exploring how different species of foxes have adapted to their surroundings.

Alongside our new Junior Leaders, all of the children in year 6 have now been given their ambassador roles and they are all excited to take on more responsibility around school.



Award winners

Well done to this week's award winners... Please note we can only invite parents/carers of headteacher and subject award winners

Headteacher Awards



Subject Awards



Award winners

Well done to this week's award winners...

Pride Awards



PE Superstars

