



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

Friday 6th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Curriculum Evening on Tuesday evening. We hope you found it beneficial. If you were unable to attend, a copy of the slides are available on the class page on the website.

Reading continues to be a key focus for school, recognising that reading skills are developed through a range of opportunities. Today, the children from Key Stage One, visited Frodsham Library. This is to support the enjoyment of reading and to ensure every child is a member of the library.

On the 25th September, a letter was sent, outlining our expectations. However, in response to the issues raised on Tuesday evening, you will receive another letter which will hopefully provide further clarity, particularly on how books are allocated in relation to the book bands.

Thank you to everyone who responded to Cafod Club's invitation to Brighten Up! We are really grateful for all the donations sent in. They have now been donated to the Frodsham Foodbank. What a positive way to end the week!

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes

Eileen Murtagh

Attendance

Overall Attendance this week **97.7%**.

Across the school, 0 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 Cypress Class	96-100% Attendance Cherry Class Elm Class Yew Class
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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).

Diversity

Art work now proudly on display in our school hall that was created with an artist a few weeks ago.

Jamie from Year 6 said 'We drew self portraits and covered them in coffee stains to give them an old fashioned look. It was so much fun to explore the different techniques of drawing a self portrait. We did this about a poem about diversity'.

Sophia T from year 5 said 'When the artist came in we made lovely abstract portraits all about diversity. Starting with the outline and finishing with glittery flowers and small paint bottles which was put in spray bottles'.



Little Church

Come and Join us at Little Church this week during 6pm mass at Church.

Friends of St Luke's

Halloween—A reminder that the Halloween disco is on the 18th October—payment can be made now on Parent Pay. Closing date for payments is Thursday 12th October.

Bag2School—Also the Bag2School collection is 9am next Friday 13th October. Please leave all donation bags in the outdoor gazebo from Monday onwards.

Residential—Information has been shared about residential on school spider – FoSL may be able to provide a contribution again this year to those that need it. This will depend on the level of uptake as a limited amount of funds is available. If you feel you would benefit from this then please send a confidential email to the school office by the end of next week. Once we have assessed what the need is we will confirm back to you if a contribution can be made and what the amount will be.

Recommended Read

This week's recommended read is from Cypress Tree Class. One of our year 5's highly recommends reading *The Nothing to see Here Hotel* by Steven Butler. She said, 'It is one of the most exciting and funniest books I have read... lots of magic and adventure!'



Parent governors

We are reissuing the information around nominations for Parent Governor. The priority for this role is someone who can contribute their skills towards the best interests of the school. You do not need to be a practising catholic to apply. Please see information sent on school spider.

Cherry Class

This week we have been busy getting ready for our library trip. We have looked at maps to plan the route there and back and found places that we recognise on the map.

We have been planning our own version of the story Lost and Found and talking about how we can change the character.

In maths we have been using part whole models to investigate numbers, we love using the manipulatives.

We have been talking about ways to relax and we even tried some yoga!



Elm Class

Elm Class has had an extremely busy week! In English we have written our letters to Tabitha persuading her to come home and written our ending predictions - lots of us predicted right! In Maths, we have been counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s as well as improving our fluency using Numbots.

We have been Scientists by completing an investigation looking at a material's property and Historians by looking at different sources to learn more about what life was like in Victorian Britain. We have been working hard in art in preparation for drawing our own portraits and in 'The Way, The Truth and The Life' this week we have been learning about Daniel and the Lion's Den. We have also spent time reflecting on why we are important to God and how we are special.

We ended our week by celebrating CAFOD Brighten up day and visiting Frodsham Library which we all really enjoyed!



Yew Class

On Monday we started off our week with PE, Computing, Music and French.

In music we performed a piece to the 'Ghostbusters' theme tune that we have been working for a few weeks now. We used a variety of instruments such as keyboards, xylophones and tambourines, Miss Cotgreave was blown away by everyone's ability to keep to the beat and play in unison.

In science this week, we looked at the scientific process of chocolate melting. We discovered that if you apply heat to chocolate as a solid it melts and turns into a liquid. We used our ideas to plan a scientific enquiry about melting chocolate which we will carry out next week.



Cypress Class

We've had another wonderful week in Cypress Tree Class and it is great to see everyone enjoying their learning and making progress. After the wet and windy weather paused our science investigation last week, on Monday, we were able to get outside to complete the lesson and enjoyed presenting our findings using charts and graphs once we were back in the classroom.

Embedding fronted adverbials into our writing has been a key focus for Year 5 in English this week whilst Year 6 have been working on using passive voice within their writing. There have been some excellent descriptions written that have really captured the theme of the story.

After exploring light and shade in last week's art lesson, this week we enjoyed developing our drawing skills more by learning how to add texture using different sketching pencils. There are some very talented artists in our class!



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



Pride Awards

