

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

Friday 7th June 2024

Dear Parents and carers

We hope you all had an enjoyable half term break. We are all looking forward to the half term ahead and all the many activities that will be taking place. This week has been a very busy week in school as we have had our OFSTED inspection, we would like to extend our gratitude to all who contributed to the process in any way.

Today we have taken time to reflect and remember all those who were involved in the D-Day landings. One of my particularly favourite images is the children from Cherry Class placing their Poppies on the prayer table. We are all reminded of the fact that as a result of sacrifice we enjoy our civil liberties.

Thank you to all the children who have taken part in the non-uniform day today and have donated to FOSL. We are all looking forward to the Summer Fair which will take place on **Friday 21**st **June**. Let's hope that the weather will have improved by then!

In the coming weeks there's lots of opportunity for learning beyond the classroom. Please see below a list of dates for your diary.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend.

Eileen Murtagh



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 11th June—Year 5 Crucial Crew trip

Thursday 13th June— Year 5 trip to play with the Halle Orchestra

Friday 14th June—Reception and Year 6 group photographs

Monday 17th June—Year 5 St Nich's activity Day

Tuesday 18th June—District Sports

Wednesday 19th June—Choir at Cheshire Show

Thursday 20th June—Year 6 transitions for St Nich's

Thursday 20th June—New parent meetings

Friday 21st June—Summer Fair

Wednesday 26th—Friday 28th June—Year 5 and 6 residential

Saturday 29th June — First Holy Communion Mass 11am

Wednesday 3rd July—Whole school celebration Mass 10am

Wednesday 3rd July—Party for First Holy Communion (Yew Tree Class)

Thursday 4th July—Sports Day 9am

Tuesday 9th July—Year 6 transitions for Helsby High School

Tuesday 9th July—Choir at AmaSing

Wednesday 10th July -KS1 trip to Llandudno

Thursday 11th July—Year 6 performance

Friday 19th July—School closes for summer

Friends of St Luke's

It's only 2 weeks until the summer fair and we're looking forward to seeing you there! Each class will put on a short performance during the event.

We are also asking for donations to our cake stall (either homemade or shop bought) to be brought in on the day, and would be grateful if anyone has any teddy or wine donations if these could be brought in by 14th June (next Friday)

Attendance

Overall Attendance this week 99.2%.

Across the school, **24 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
		Reception Class 1 Class 2 Class 3 Class 4
		Class 5 Class 6

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).

Cherry Class

Cherry class have told us all about their lovely half term holidays and have returned to school fresh and excited to learn. We have been practicing lots of phonics and have been working hard to begin planning our own story based on Toys in Space. We have enjoyed some practical maths exploring quarters (year 1) and exploring number patterns using Cuisenaire (EYFS). We have reflected upon the story of D-Day and we have made poppies to help us remember those people involved and how lucky we are to have such brave ancestors.

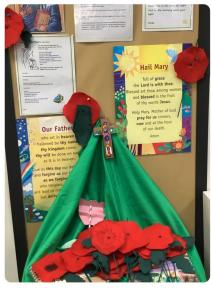


Elm Class

Elm class have had a lovely first week back from half term. They have enjoyed started their new unit in English, Grandad's Secret Giant and have written some wonderful setting and character descriptions.

They are still working hard on Fractions in maths and I am very proud of their progress.

This week we have also been reflective and thoughtful thinking about D-Day, and after our school remembrance assembly, laid on poppies on our class alter in remembrance of the brave soldiers.











Yew Class

This week Yew Tree class have worked exceptionally hard. On Tuesday, we finished or art sculptures inspired by Taro Chiezo.

In history we learned about the Bayeux tapestry and Battle of Hastings. We looked at pictures of the Bayeux tapestry and interpreted the events. We then created a timeline using our images to tell the story of the Battle of Hastings in chronological order.

On Friday we reflected on D-Day, we watched a short documentary which taught us about the significance of D-Day and what that means for us now.



Cypress Class

To mark the 80th Anniversary of D-Day, we have been researching all about the significance of this occasion. After completing our own research using iPads, we used our facts and information to create our own fact files. We also made our own poppies which we lay on our collective worship table in class after our special whole school assembly. Following the assembly, we watched a documentary all about D-Day and heard from veterans who were part of World War Two and part of 'Operation Overlord' (the code name used for D-Day at the time).

