

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

Friday 18th October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers



Today we celebrate the feast of our patron saint, Saint Luke. We use the image of an open book, to remind all who belong to our school community, that St Luke was one of the four Evangelists and author of the gospel. St. Luke is also known as the patron saint of Artists, owing to the Christian tradition that he painted a portrait of the Virgin Mary and Christ Child. St. Luke is also the patron saint of Physicians and Surgeons. A special assembly has taken place in school today to celebrate our Patron Saint.

As you know we really enjoy our visits to Frodsham library. This week it was the turn of Bluebell class. Unfortunately, due to the wet weather, the visit has been postponed until next week. These visits are always enjoyable for all age groups, I know pupils in Bluebell class are looking forward to finding out the many ways they can use the library to support their learning.

I know that a lot of our pupils used the library when completing their presentation (homework task), sharing information about a special sporting hero. Teaching staff have been really impressed with the quality and creativity of the presentations.

I would like to congratulate the choir who performed brilliantly again this year at St. Nicholas Music Festival. This is always a great evening, an opportunity to showcase talent from St Nicholas music students and all the choirs from the feeder primary schools. If you attended, we hope you enjoyed the evening. A special thank you to Mrs Fairman, who leads our school choir and to Pauline Stitt, our Chair of Governors, who supported in the evening.

We are looking forward to the annual FoSL Halloween disco, next Wednesday. Have you got your costume ready yet?

Wishing you an enjoyable weekend.

Eileen Murtagh

Attendance

Overall Attendance this week 95.4%.

Across the school, **1 hour and 49 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 2 Class 3 Class 5	Class 1 Class 4 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).

Little Church

Come and join us at Little Church during 11am mass on Sunday 20th October.

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St Luke's Lion Cubs

We loved seeing our St. Luke's Lion Cubs again this week. Come and join us again next week!



Dates for your diary

Wednesday 23rd October—St Luke's Lion Cubs and Tots Halloween Disco

Wednesday 23rd October—FoSL Halloween Disco

Friday 25th October—School closes

Choir

On Tuesday evening, our wonderful school choir took to the stage at St Nich's High School for their first performance of the year as part of the St Nich's Music Festival. Following a rehearsal, the choir enjoyed spending time with the high school students talking about what it is like a secondary school. Together, they enjoyed a delicious meal of pizza and chips before they took to the stage singing two upbeat songs that brought smiles to every-one's faces. As always, the children were excellent representatives of St Luke's and we are very proud of them all.



Engagement questionnaire

We are committed to offering children the best possible opportunities in life. We know that working together with parents is the best way to achieve this.

Please find a questionnaire on the link below of how we might be able to engage with you.

Please forward this questionnaire to grandparents and other family members if you think they could contribute.

https://forms.gle/Aum5cPQWRJPBEhWU9

Year 2 and 3 trip to Safety Central

Year 2 and 3 visited Safety Central in Lymm to participate in a number of different workshops all about how to keep safe both inside and outside the home. With lots of different scenarios set up, the children enjoyed earning stars by completing the different tasks set. Each task was around a theme; what to do in the event of a fire in the home, how to be safe when walking near a road/ railway track, how to keep healthy and how to be safe around water. The children participated well and took lots of important messages away with them (as well as a lovely big badge which displayed the stars they had earned).



Marigold Class

English—We have really enjoyed the book Troll Swap, especially pretending to be trolls! We have been creating a story map ready to plan our own characters and ending.

Maths—Reception have been subitising numbers to 4 and exploring different matching and bingo activities. Year 1 have been exploring part whole models and how to split numbers into groups. Year 2 have been counting exploring fact families and using 3 numbers to make as many number sentences as possible.

Art—We have been exploring different media and trying to improve our control. We especially liked charcoal, using the different tones and shading. We are looking forward to planning and creating our final pieces.

Personal Development—Year 1 and 2 enjoyed reading the book Splash! this week and talking about our own goals and how we could overcome any difficulty we may face in the future when trying to achieve this goal. Reception enjoyed the book You Choose and recognising that we all like different things and this is ok.

We enjoyed celebrating the feast of St. Luke today and learning more about his life and how we can try to be more like him in our lives today. We especially enjoyed celebrating with cake!



Tulip Class

As we near the end of our first half term, Tulip class have been very busy indeed! Our English lessons this week have focused on the characters in our story, Seal Surfer. We enjoyed some role play pretending to be the boy and the grandad, and wondering what had happened to the seal? Later in the week, we built character profiles after learning lots more about the boy through making inferences in studying the pictures in the book. We are looking forward to completing our Seal Surfer work next week.

In Maths, we have begun addition and subtraction. Year 3 have been adding across 10's and using number bonds from earlier in school to help us to identify these instances more quickly. We have used number lines to help us with trickier sums. In Year 4, we have been adding 4-digit numbers and learning how to exchange ones, tens and hundreds. Next week, we will progress to subtraction.

We found Geography fascinating this week and talked about different types of land use including: farmland, industrial, commercial, transport and residential. We had some fantastic discussions, and worked in groups to study aerial views and maps of Kingsley, Frodsham and Chester to investigate how land is used locally. Year 4 considered the impact of land use on the environment and on humans.

On Thursday afternoon, both year groups enjoyed their 'No Outsiders' lessons. Year 4 looked at the book 'Along came a different' and considered why we should embrace our differences. Year 3 looked at 'This is our house' and followed the character of George as he realised why everyone should be welcome and included. We made some fantastic links to school and had some positive discussions.

We have continued to enjoy presenting our homework projects to the class, and have been blown away by the standard of work and the range of sports covered!



Bluebell Class

We have had another busy week in Bluebell Class. As we work towards writing our extended pieces next week, this week's English lessons have been focusing on mastering punctuation and using dialogue appropriately within our writing. Focusing on two characters, we started by thinking about their interaction and what they might say to each other before putting this into a speech sandwich. Later on in the week, we used this to help us write a scene using both character description and dialogue to help us practise this skill. There were lots of great pieces of writing and we can't wait to write our hot tasks next week.

As we approach the half term break, we are getting closer and closer to the end of our class novel, Holes. We have thoroughly enjoyed reading this book together and we can't wait to see how it ends.

As well as lots of wonderful English work this week, we have been working really hard in maths. This week saw Year 6 focusing on the formal method of long multiplication and Year 5 have been exploring different strategies to calculate addition and subtraction questions mentally. Whilst some found this tricky at first, it was great to see the confidence building as the week progressed.

In our geography lesson this week, we really enjoyed researching Mount Kilimanjaro to help us create our own tourist information leaflets. We found out lots of interesting facts and thought carefully about the information that people might need before they take a trip there.



Council members

Our new school council and eco council members

School council



Eco council



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 Award

