

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

Friday 22nd December

#### **Dear Parents and Carers**

It was certainly a surprise to wake up to snow on Tuesday morning. While just a light dusting, it didn't deter one of our pupils from building a snowman. Although small in size, it certainly made everyone smile!

This week we invited prospective parents and pupils to join our reception class for a stay and play afternoon. It was a pleasure to welcome them to our school for an insight into school life. We would like to share with you the lovely feedback received from one of the parents.

#### Thank You for the Wonderful Stay and Play Session

#### Good morning,

I just wanted to take a moment to thank you for the recent Stay and Play session. We had such a fantastic time, and it was lovely to see how welcoming and engaging the environment was.

My child thoroughly enjoyed himself and left with the biggest smile, talking about all the activities he got to try. The warmth and care shown by Mrs Jevons, as well as the thoughtfulness behind the session, have really reassured me that this is the perfect school for him.

We're now certain that St Luke's is where we'd love for our son to start his learning journey, and we're very excited about him becoming part of the school community.

Thank you again for such a positive experience!

We are delighted that this little boy had such a positive experience.

#### On Sunday it is the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

This is also known as Youth Sunday. There will be a special Mass at 11am on Sunday at St. Luke's Parish. Father extends a warm invitation to all families, in particular, those children who will be taking part in this year's Sacramental Programme. Little Church will also be taking place at this Mass. Tea and coffee will be served in the parish centre after Mass.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes

Eileen Murtagh

## Attendance

Overall Attendance this week 95.5%.

Across the school, **2 hours and 18 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
Class 1	Class 3 Class 5	Reception Class 2 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 for a special Little Church during 11am mass on Sunday 24th November 2024 to celebrate Christ the King.

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## St Luke's Lion Cubs

We loved seeing our St. Luke's Lion Cubs again this week. Come and join our Tots Christmas Party on Friday 13th December at 2pm.



## **Dates for your diary**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November – FoSL Movie Night Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Frodsham Festival Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – FoSL Wreath Night here at school 7 pm Friday 6th December—Year 2 at Main Street Community Church for Christmas Journey Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December—EYFS/KS1 Nativity Play (morning and afternoon) Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December—Piano Concert Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December- St Luke's Lion Cub's Christmas Party Monday 16th December—Whole school trip to Christmas Panto at The Brindley Tuesday 17th December—Carols by candlelight Wednesday 18th December— Christmas Dinner day Thursday 19th December—Christmas Party afternoon Friday 20th December—School closes for Christmas

### **Pre-loved uniform**

We have quite a lot of pre-loved uniform in stock—if there is anything you need then please email the office and we can check if we have the required item in the correct size for you.

## **Marigold Class**

English—This week we have imagined what we might do if we travelled to space and we have written a diary entry. We have also enjoyed researching about Mae Jemison, the first African-American woman to travel to space.

Maths—Year 2 have been working hard to solve addition problems with no fingers allowed! We have been partitioning numbers to 10 then adding the ones to help with completing harder numbers mentally in the future. Year 1 have been solving addition problems and explaining how they know the answers. Reception have been learning about more than and fewer than and have been comparing amounts.

Geography—What is there in Frodsham? We have been exploring this question using different maps and using a grid to find a 2 digit grid reference for different places.

Art—We have finally finished our Marigold class Art Gallery and we are very proud of the results! What do you think?

Nativity—We have got our scripts and have been learning our songs! Please encourage your child to learn their lines. We can't wait to start looking through the costumes!



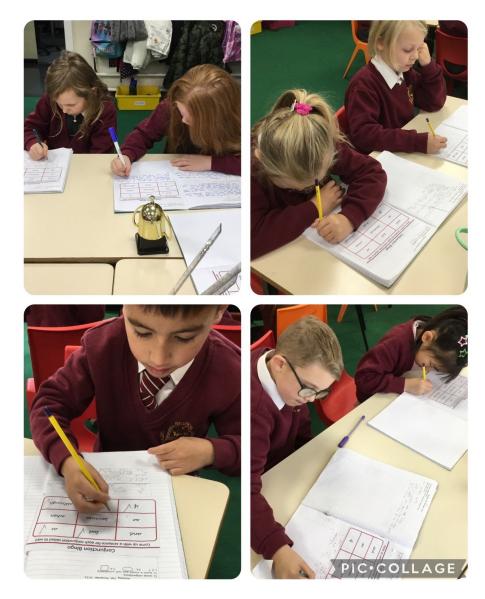
## **Tulip Class**

Maths—This week, Tulip class have carried on learning about Addition and Subtraction. Year 4 have been consolidating their skills and applying them to estimation and finding efficient methods to complete fourdigit additions and subtractions. Year 3 have been learning how to add three-digit numbers using the column method. This has really helped them to be more accurate with making exchanges.

English—This week, we have read some more of our class novel and started thinking more about the character of Katherine and what she is like. We explored a range of pronouns that could make our writing more interesting, and started thinking about our mastery key: using conjunctions. We have started to compile a list of varied conjunctions we can use, and played a game of conjunction bingo to put these into practice.

Science—This week, we started learning about the human skeleton. We explored our own skeletons and started to learn some of the different names of bones. We made links to our topic about healthy eating and discussed why we need calcium to help our bones to be strong.

History—We conducted our own research this week about the Iron Age – we used an e-book to find out about what life was like, what jobs people did, what clothes people wore, and the houses that people lived in. We made posters to show what we had learnt, and next week we are excited to make comparisons across the whole period!



## **Bluebell Class**

We have had another busy week in Bluebell Class. Following on from our work last week, our English lessons have been focused around another inspirational person from our key text. We have learnt about Bessie Coleman who was the first African-American woman and Native American to hold a pilot's license. After reading her inspirational story, we wrote a recount in the role of Bessie focusing particularly on the use of paragraphs and sentence openers. Alongside these two mastery keys, Year 5 were also working on incorporating subordinating conjunctions whilst Year 6 focused on including example of passive voice.

Our history lesson this week focused on democracy and how the ancient Greeks ran their country. It linked perfectly with our work centred around parliament week and we enjoyed making comparisons between then and now.

One of our favourite times of the day is when we read our class novel together. We are thoroughly enjoying 'Nevermoor: The Trials of Morrigan Crow' and have lots of queries and theories about the book. Each chapter is left on a cliffhanger that always leaves us wondering...what will happen next?



### 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



### Sports Superstars

