



# St Catherine's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

22<sup>nd</sup> October  
2021

Live, Love and Learn Together,  
Growing with God, in Knowledge and Faith

**Important  
dates for your  
diary:  
Coming up...**

**Inset Day:**  
Monday 1st  
November 2021

**Back to School:**  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
November 2021

**FOREST SCHOOL  
SESSIONS:**  
HAZEL CLASS,  
every Friday  
please wear play  
clothes and  
supply wellies.

**LEE CUFF  
SPORTS  
SESSIONS:**  
OAK CLASS, every  
Wednesday

## **Message from Mrs Terrey:**

Well, it's getting chillier and here we are at half term! We have worked hard in school and managed to have some fun along the way. Today, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, we had a Sports Festival that involved the whole school. There were team games, dance sessions and the start of Run a Marathon! Every day we complete a daily mile and we will start to count this towards a marathon! Oak and Sycamore Classes are also starting to learn our Nativity, Babushka, which will be performed on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Mrs Hoskins celebrated 10 years of faithful service and we all created cards for her to show her how much she means to us! Have a wonderful half term, relax and have a spooky Hallowe'en!!

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## **Parents Evenings:**

We were so pleased to see so many of you during the two parents' evenings and thank you so much to those of you who filled in and returned a questionnaire. We will publish the results in the next Newsletter.

## **Names, names, names:**

The weather is getting wetter so please remember to send a coat to school for your child. Please put your child's name on every single thing they bring in to school!!

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## **After School Clubs:**

We are having great success with our After School Clubs and we will be changing them after half term so look out for the email we sent earlier this week. The age ranges will be changing on some clubs so keep an eye out for which one suits your little person.



### **PTFA:**

We are always looking for more members for the PTFA and they would love to hear from you! Please email [Scptfa@gmail.com](mailto:Scptfa@gmail.com) or cast an eye over the Facebook page for an idea of who they are and what they do.

### **Konflux Theatre Group:**

Konflux Theatre Group came into school today to help Hazel Class create and perform a Play in a Day on 'Great Britain; 'It's in the Name'! It was an enormous success and all the reviews gave it a worthy 5 Stars! Well done Hazel!



### **Homework and IXL:**

When we come back after half term, Mrs Harris will kindly be running a Homework and IXL Club to help children who have trouble accessing IXL at home. This will be an invite only club that will run two half hour sessions per week at lunch times.

### **Volunteer Readers:**

Things are slowly getting back to normal and that means we will be able to welcome volunteers back into school. We will be starting with our volunteer readers. These are adults who kindly come into school for an hour or two to listen to and help children read. Parents and carers who volunteer won't be asked to help in their child's class but will be assigned to another class to help out. Please email [office@stcatherinesbridport.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:office@stcatherinesbridport.dorset.sch.uk) if you would like to volunteer.



### **We Want To Ride Our Bicycles:**

Oak Class would like to ask, again, if anyone has 3-wheel scooters - trikes - balance bikes - ride on pedal cars-tractors or similar that are no longer needed, please bring them into school for Reception and Year One children to use. Thank you so much!





### House Names and Gospel Virtues:

Alongside our British Values we have accepted Virtues into our School Ethos. The Virtues are Prudence, Justice, Fortitude, Temperance and we are using them as our Houses.

Fortitude is RED – Persevere keep having a go when we find things difficult. Prudence is GREEN - we know our own feelings and chose whether or not to act on them.

Temperance is YELLOW - We tell the truth, no matter how hard and we play to relax well.

Justice is Blue – Be friendly towards others.

These virtues act as essential signposts along the difficult path from infancy to adolescence, empowering our young people to live lives of fulfilment and significance.



### Ash Class:

**As historians** looking at Ancient Egyptian wall paintings to identify foods eaten 5,000 years ago.

**As scientists** we have been investigating the effect of drinks on teeth.

**As artists** we have been observing the Egyptian art style and drawing in profile.

**As musicians** we have learnt the Ukulele strings and practised our playing.

**As athletes** we have developed our teamwork skills.

**As writers** we have written stories based on The Happy Prince by Oscar Wilde.

**As mathematicians** we have used place value to hundreds and thousands



### Magdalen Farm Visit:

Hazel Class visited Magdalen Farm on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October. They had a great time, learned lots about farming and made their own pizza!



### Washingpool Farm Visit:

Oak Class went to Washingpool Farm this Thursday for an educational day out. We will let you know how they got on in the next Newsletter.

### The Houses of Parliament Visit:

Maple Class are visiting The Houses of Parliament on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December.



### **Leeson House Trip:**

Year 5 will be going to Leeson House on the 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

### **Dartmoor Activity Trip:**

Year 6 will be going to Dartmoor for an activity week on the week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022.

### **Sports Festival October 2021:**

The first ever All School Sports Festival was a HUGE success!! We started off by learning Hip Hop dancing with Mrs Blake (not to show favouritism but Mrs Terrey has mad dance skills!!) Then went on to Multi Skills with Mr Toohill which involved ball control work, team working and endurance (which sounds scary but was mainly press ups and lunges) and then we learned how to chair dance (again, no favouritism but Mrs Harris can shake her groove thang in a chair like nobody's business!!). We worked hard and lots of House Points were won. All in all, it was a great day for everyone!



### **Mary, Mother of Christ:**

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Since the prayers of the Rosary come from such excellent sources — from Our Lord Himself, from inspired Scripture, and from the Church — it is not surprising that the Rosary is so dear to our Blessed Mother and so powerful with heaven.

Mary is not only the Mother of God, she is our Mother too and we can always go to her with any worries.

### **A simple prayer to Mary:**

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, my Mother. To you do I come, before you I stand.  
Amen.

