



# St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022



As Advent approaches, we are in the midst of organising a range of Christmas events that will be held across the school. This year, as we do not have an active PTFA, we are trying to organise some smaller in school events to help raise funds to support class trips. We would like to organise a children's raffle, where donations of selection boxes will be raffled off in the final assembly. More information will follow but we would gratefully receive any donations of selection boxes for this event.

If there are any parents who would like to support any events or help organise future events we would love to hear from you. Please come and speak to myself or the amazing admin team.

Robin Class this week have enjoyed experiencing the tale of Peter and the Wolf. Not only have they listened to and story mapped the story, they have also watched an orchestra and listened to their performance of Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf. They were enthralled by the musicians and their musical performance.

Woodpecker Class have started learning their new book where they have been finding out about the life of Amelia Earhart. They have really enjoyed learning facts about her life. They have also started their Advent topic in RE. They thought really hard about ways that they can be kind in December and they created a kindness advent calendar as a class.

In Owl class, the children have completed their independent writing of chronological reports. Photos of their amazing work will be shared on the website. In computing, they have created some fantastic drawings using paintz.app. They have also enjoyed learning about fossils in their science learning.

Kestrels have begun to think about Advent in both RE and Music. Kestrels learnt about the meaning of the Advent wreath and what the candles represent. In music they are learning songs for their Advent service including 'Light the Advent Candle.'

This week Eagle class have been learning all about the author Charles Dickens as part of a unit on biography. In Science they have used their knowledge of evolution and adaptation to investigate and ask the question: Does the shape of a bird's beak have an effect on the food that a bird can eat? We discovered that certain beak shapes are better suited to certain foods.

## PE class days- Autumn term

- \*Robin Class Monday-Wednesday
- \*Woodpecker Class Monday-Tuesday
- \*Owl class Monday-Wednesday
- \*Kestrel class Thursday-Friday swimming
- \*Eagle class Wednesday-Thursday

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Please follow the link to the parent's newsletter.

<http://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

## Dates for your diary

5<sup>th</sup> December- Last week of school clubs

7<sup>TH</sup> December- band in school to perform for children

8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity for Woodpecker and Owls

13<sup>th</sup> December- Eagle and Kestrel Advent Assembly & evening music concert

14<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Lunch & afternoon carol service

16<sup>th</sup> December- Last day of school and non-uniform day

St Mary's Values			
Living, loving and learning with God			
Safe	Trust	Achievement	Resilience
Forgiveness			
Respectful	Aim high		
Responsible	Have a go		
Caring	Curious		
Value each other	Self-belief		

### Stars of the week!

Robin Class- River Rose

Woodpecker Class- Frances

Owl Class- David and Isabelle

Kestrel Class- India

Eagle Class- Kirsty

### Last Week

Robin Class- Macy

Woodpecker Class- Ezra

Owl Class- James

Kestrel Class- Leighton

Eagle Class- Eli

We would like to say a huge thank you to Cloud Nine Florist for supplying the Advent Wreath, which will be on our focal point to mark the period of advent.



### Homework

#### Woodpecker:

##### **Maths:**

Year 1: Y1-12

Year 2: L1-10

##### **English:**

Year 1: O1-5

Year 2: L1-4

#### Owl:

##### **Maths**

Year 2: S 1-8

Year 3: Z 5-10

### Homework

#### Kestrel:

Maths F4, F5, F7

English A1

#### Eagle:

##### **Maths:**

Year 5 Maths: D1-3

Year 6 Maths: L 8,9,11

##### **English:**

Year 5 English: GG 1-5

Year 6 English: HH 1-3

### Useful Links

Devon County Financial Support and Advice

Help with household bills, energy costs and financial assistance

Do you need help with childcare costs? Please click the link below.

The Government's Childcare Choices lists all the schemes available here

Axminster Foodbank

Contact: Hanover House, Ex13 5Bj Chard Street, Axminster EX13 5DZ · 01297 32331