

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th June 2022

A MESSAGE FROM MISS CHOMA

Hi everyone,

Thank you for another super week in school – there has been lots of great work and behaviour (despite the heat!). The children have been very busy, once again: we have had numerous sporting fixtures in school time and after school; Corpus Christi Procession; Sports Day; the brass group performed for the whole school in Friday's Celebration Assembly; new Reception visited school; a visit from Anita's Grandad who spoke to Y5/6 about the Holocaust; sang at a wedding – the list is endless. A big thank you to Mrs Harvey for arranging and organising all the wonderful sporting fixtures. I know the children really enjoy them. It is lovely to play a range of sports against other schools in the Trust/Family of Schools.

It has been a week of winning – Otley Town U7's football team won the cup for the first time in history – a very big well done.

Otley Carnival – thank you to the committee for their great efforts and winning idea. St Joseph's won first place on the carnival's 40th Anniversary. St Joseph's should be proud of their achievements. It was lovely to see so many families join the carnival parade. Maybe we can double our numbers next year!

Have a lovely weekend, have fun and enjoy spending time with family and friends.

From all the staff - be safe; be kind and be happy. God Bless

DON'T FORGET: 1st July **School closed for Jubilee Bank Holiday!**

SPORTS DAY

Everybody had a wonderful time in the sunshine celebrating our annual Sports Day.

We took part in a number of races such as sprinting, egg and spoon, beanbag, hurdles and relay. We also enjoyed a mum and dad race which was very competitive. However, stars of the show were the toddlers who had a great race!

Thank you to everyone who purchased food, drink or raffle tickets - we raised an amazing £300 for Friends of St Joseph's!

Thank you to everybody who came to watch and support the children. Well done to all the teams who took part. Special congratulations to Mrs Mulholland's team, BANGLADESH, who were the overall winners of the day!



SPORTS UPDATE

Year 2 Football Match

Well done to all the children who took part in the football match on Tuesday at SS Peter & Paul's. The children played with determination and skill only narrowly losing 3-2 (I may have accidentally told the children that we drew the match 2-2- oops!) Thank you to all the grown ups for their support. Please can all kits be returned ASAP as there are more matches next week.

KS2 Girls Football Match

After Sports Day, some of our girls from Key Stage Two played a football match against SS Peter & Paul's which we narrowly lost 3-2. For some girls this was their first match and they did really well and grew in confidence as the game went on. Thank you to everyone who stayed and watched.

Otley Town Under 7's.

Well done to Otley Town Under 7's who won the Festival of Football Tournament at the weekend. Well done to Freddie and Joseph who were part of the winning team. It was a huge achievement as it is the first time an Otley Team has won the tournament!



REGISTER YOUR CHILD'S INTEREST FOR MUSIC TUITION FOR 2022-2023



If your child will be in KS2 from September 2022 and you would like them to learn an instrument then please email Miss Wilkinson (office@stjosephsotley.org) by July 1st.

Forms will be sent next week. You will need to supply an instrument for your child, however Artforms can also provide hire of an instrument for an additional cost.

Artforms use direct billing to charge the parents for the lessons. Roundhay (guitar) lessons will cost £70.00 per term. Payments can be made through ParentPay.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 13th June - Multi-Skills Festival
- 15th June - Y5 visit SMM
- 16th June - Y3 Ilkley Workshop
- 17th June - Father's Day Stall
- 18th June - Otley Carnival
- 21st June - Y2 Football Tournament
- 21st June - Y5/Y6 Rugby Festival
- 22nd June - Y3 Mass
- 22nd June - Reception Explorer Afternoon
- 23rd June - Sports Day
- 23rd June - Y3/Y4 Girls Football
- 27th June - KS2 Fun Run
- 27th June - Y5 PHGS Experience Day
- 28th June - Y3 Football Match
- 29th June - SSPP Mass at 10:45am
- **1st July - School closed for Jubilee Bank Holiday**
- 6th July - FOSJ Games Night!
- 7th July - KS1 Mass
- 7th July - End of Year Reports sent home
- 7th July - Y6 Rounders Festival
- 11th July - Under 11's Girl Football
- 20th July - Year 6 Leaver's Mass and Assembly
- 21st July - Year 6 Party
- 22nd July - End of term Mass and Picnic.



FUTURE SPORT EVENTS

Monday 27th June - Cross Country event at Cardinal Heenan

Tuesday 28th June - Y3 Football match at SS Peter & Paul's School

Wednesday 29th June -

CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Gracious God, thank You for the sunshine today.

Its warmth and brightness are a reminder of Your eternal presence in our lives.

Thank You for starting my day with the sun.

May its light be a reminder of Your light in my life.

May the joy of sunshine be a reminder to praise You and seek You.

Thank You for this sunny day, Lord.

Amen.

OUR LADY & ALL SAINTS CHURCH

MASS TIMES

Saturday Morning: 10am

Saturday Evening Vigil: 6:30pm

Sunday Morning: 9:30am & 11:15am

For updates, please check the weekly bulletin for up-to-date Mass times.

<http://www.olasotley.org/bulletin.html>



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Corpus Christi Procession

On Monday, the whole school gathered together to celebrate Corpus Christi. We started in Church and listened to Sunday's Gospel as well as reflections before processing to the school field whilst singing hymns. When everyone had gathered on the field, all of the Year 4 children then took flowers to the Altar and Father Lawrie said Benediction for us.

Virtue

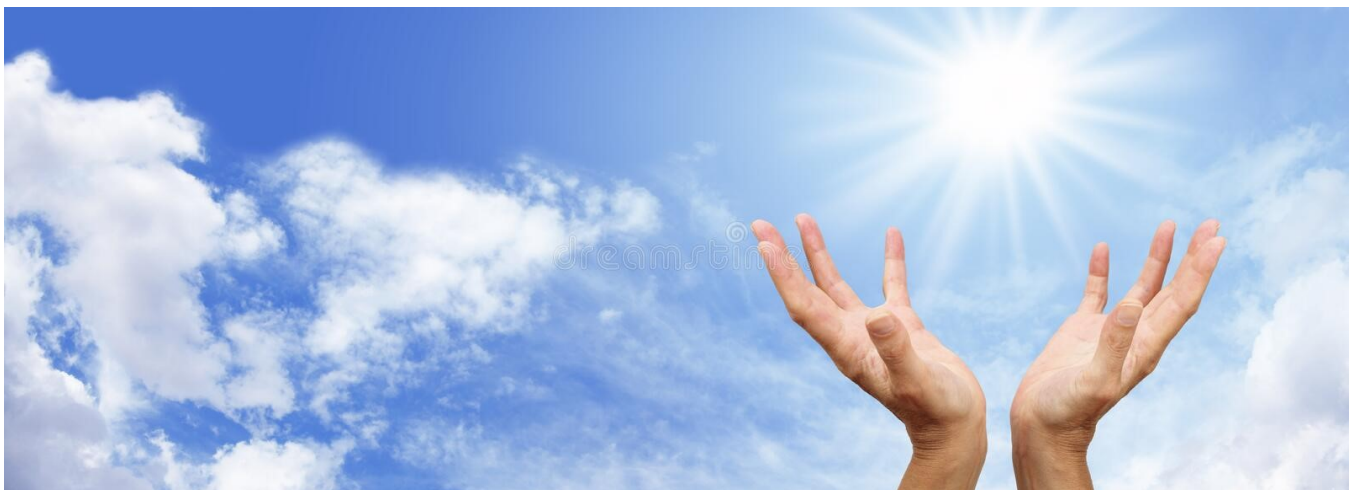
This week, we continued to think about the virtue of honesty and how it is so important in everything we do to be honest with other people and to ourselves. Well done to the children who received certificates in assembly this morning. Next week, we will start thinking about our final virtue of the year which will be service.

Wedding Choir

Well done to all the children in Year 4 and Year 5 who sang today for a wedding taking place in our Church. The children have been practising for weeks and have sacrificed their break times to practise. They were amazing and sounded beautiful. Thank you to Miss Wilkinson for preparing the children.

O SACRAMENT MOST HOLY

O Sacrament Most Holy,
O Sacrament Divine!
All praise and
all thanksgiving
be every
moment
Thine!
Amen.



CLASS NEWS

YEAR R NEWS

In Literacy, we have been reading the story of The Rainbow Fish. Rainbow Fish learnt that in order to be kind to his friends he needed to share his scales. We talked about kindness and how we share. We then sequenced the story and wrote a caption for each picture.

In Maths, we have been practising our problem-solving skills. We enjoyed reading the story 'How many legs' by Kes Field. We then had to try and work out which combination of animals we could use to have the correct amount of legs in the boat. Some animals had 2, some had 4 and some had no legs. The children were very good at solving the problem to make different amounts.

This week, as part of our RE topic based on 'The Church', we visited Our Lady and All Saints. Father Lawrie showed us around and told us about all the different parts of the church. We enjoyed learning the Tabernacle, the Sanctuary Lamp and the Font. We also began practising for our Mass. We are very excited to lead our own Mass on Thursday 7th July.

On Thursday afternoon, we all enjoyed our first Sports Day. I'm sure you will all agree the children did a fantastic job in the races and made their teams very proud!

YEAR 1 NEWS

In RE, we have been thinking about Jesus as a healer. A great portion of Christ's time was dedicated to healing the sick. He healed all kinds of people: this week we learnt about the miracle of the paralysed man. We reflected on how the paralysed man and his friends must have felt once Jesus had healed him.

We have started a new book in English called "The Day The Crayons Quit" which is about a little boy named Duncan and his box of crayons, whom one day decide to go on strike because they are not satisfied with how they are used. Duncan tries to find a way to solve this problem, in order to keep his crayons happy and be able to draw again. We thought of lots of adjectives to describe how each crayon felt.

We have continued with our unit on fractions in Maths and have been investigating different ways of making a quarter with a square piece of paper. We know that each part of the whole must be divided equally.

In Art we have been looking at famous landscape impressionists Renoir, Kroyer and Sorolla. We discussed the typical scenery of a landscape and used watercolours to paint our own beach scenes, focusing on the demarcation between the horizon and the sand.

YEAR 2 NEWS

In Maths, we have been continuing our work on time. We have been looking at the number of minutes in an hour and hours in a day. We then learnt about what the word duration means. We practised finding the duration between start times and end times of different activities.

In English, we wrote super great information sheets about pets. We had to think carefully about how we were going to set our work out and where we wanted to include pictures. We used features such as heading, sub-headings and captions.

In RE, we started to learn about how the Holy Spirit helped the Apostles. We found out that the Holy Spirit helped them to remember what Jesus had taught them; to understand what Jesus had taught them and have courage to go out and tell other people about Jesus. We then made links to how the Holy Spirit can help us to remember, understand and have courage at home, at school and in the community.

As part of our Science work about plants, we learnt about the life cycle of plants. We went for a walk around the grounds to see if we could find any signs of blossom and fruits growing on trees. We found cherries, sycamore keys and pine cones to name a few. We also created a life cycle of a strawberry plant.

YEAR 3 NEWS

On Monday we were lucky to have lovely weather for our Corpus Christi procession from church to the school field. Father Lawrie carried the monstrance, and it was very shiny in the sunshine. We celebrated our class mass in church on Wednesday morning. The children sang and read beautifully. Thank you to the parents and family members who joined our worship.

In Maths we have looked at analogue time and revised the numbers and vocabulary that are used for 'telling the time'. We practised using 'quarter past', 'quarter to' and reading time in 5 minute intervals.

In Science we have been learning more about the life cycle of plants and we focussed on different methods of seed dispersal. We learnt about all the clever ways that seeds are dispersed to germinate and grow into new plants. We spent time outside playing seed games and the children had lots of fun acting out different types of seed dispersal. Did you know that some seed pods explode?

YEAR 4 NEWS

In Maths, we have been looking closely at identifying lines of symmetry within triangles and quadrilaterals and have applied this knowledge to create their own symmetrical figures.

In English, the children have continued with reading about Ernest Shackleton and his crew members who sailed the Antarctic. We learnt the ship, 'Endurance' was lost forever but that all the crew made it back on dry land safely. From this, we have explored how the use of different verbs were used by the author in order to add detail along with being able to make inferences in relation to the characters thoughts and feelings.

In IT, year 4 have started their final topic, repetition in games, before breaking up for the summer. We began by looking at how to repeat the drawing of different shapes by using the programme software scratch, and how certain moves and turns need to be repeated in order for instruction to be completed.

YEAR 5 NEWS

Our focus in Maths this week, has been using protractors to measure and draw angles which the children didn't find it easy at first but all the children have persevered and are becoming more confident.

In English, the children have been writing obituaries for the Anglo-Saxon legend - Beowulf. The children have been trying to include parenthesis, relative clauses, fronted adverbials, subordinating clauses and noun phrases in their writing.

In ICT, the children used all their skills that they have learnt this half term to create some amazing pictures of mammals.

During RE, the children created job adverts for disciples of Jesus. They thought about what qualities a disciple needs, what the job involves and what the rewards are.

On Monday, Year 5 will be spending the day at Prince Henry's Grammar School. They will still need to wear school uniform with trainers and they will need to bring a coat and their water bottles. Lunch will be provided. We will walk to PHGS and will be back in time for the end of school. This will give the children another opportunity to experience secondary school life.

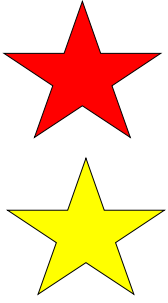
YEAR 6 NEWS

In Maths, we have continued our 'Futures' topic and looked into detail about the cost of bills and being able to budget wages. We used our four operations to work these out. This has been such an interesting topic about money!

During our Science lesson, we developed our knowledge about the circulatory system. We now know that the heart, lungs and vessels play an important role in keeping us alive.

In ICT, we thought about ways in which we display our data using computer apps, such as Excel. Many of the class hadn't used Excel before, therefore, we created some data by taking it in turns to roll dice and record our scores. Once we inputted this data, we used formulas to find the sum and find the average number rolled. We even formatted cells to change colour according to the number rolled.

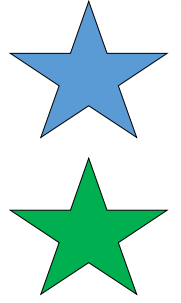
HOUSE OF THE WEEK



WELL DONE TO

ALL TEAMS

FOR EARNING HOUSE POINTS THIS WEEK



SUNSHINE AWARD

WALTER (YR), DECLAN (Y1), DOUGLAS (Y2),
JACK (Y3), OLIVE (Y4), PIPPA (Y5), WILLIAM (Y6)



MATHS AWARD

JEMIMAH (YR), ISAAC L (Y1), JACK (Y2),
LOUIS (Y3), SAMUEL (Y4), OSCAR (Y5), BELLA (Y6)



VIRTUE AWARD

MAISY (YR), DARCEY (Y1), FRANKIE (Y2),
CLOVER (Y3), AUSTIN (Y4), CHARLIE (Y5), EMILY (Y6)



An Intercession to St Joseph

Dear St Joseph

Help us to love and care

To be gentle and fair

Help us to work and play together

Help us to live and grow together

To be always glad to help each other

Happy in your loving care

Amen