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Our Week in Year 1



Below are some of the things we have learnt this week. Your child might like to tell you a little more about a few of these:

Introduced subtraction in Maths using our part-whole model.

Read the book 'The Wild Woods' and investigated question sentences. We also wrote our own questions in our book using the question words - What / Where / Who / When / Why / How.

Continued with our RE topic and looked at how Our Lady, Mary, is represented in different countries.

In Geography we went into the playground and used a simple map to find key features and fill in the words in the map key.

In Computing we explored 'digital painting' and used the website 'Paintz' to practise and made our own picture.

For Science we continued our topic on Seasonal Changes by choosing appropriate clothing for autumn and talking about different events/activities that happen in autumn.

We continued learning about 'Celebrating Differences' and created an anti-bullying poster. We learnt about what bullying is and what we need to do if we see it happening.

Continued handwriting - correct letter formation and position on the line - see guidance below to help you support your child at home.

Homework

Regular reading of the Read Write Inc. books (RWI) and / or library book.

Handwriting practice - letters n and m.

Mathletics - 1 task set on subtraction. Please also have a go at this Top Marks Subtraction to 10 game! You can click the link or the QR code <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/subtraction/subtraction-to-10>



Dates for your Diary

Friday 29th November - Christmas Art Day (MUFTI) Please come to school dressed in your Christmas Mufti for a day of festive art and craft fun. Please remember we will be using paint, glue and glitter so dress accordingly.

Friday 29th November - Games will still take place. Children can take part wearing their Christmas clothes if you wish. They will need trainers for Games though.

Monday 2nd December - School Closed

Friday 6th December - PTA Christmas Fair after school! Raffle tickets have been sent home in your child's book bag. Thank you for your support.

Thursday 12th December - Christmas Elf Run (sponsored run) - details to follow.

Monday 16th December - Year 1 Christingle Service

We will be making a Christingle and would like to invite **all** the parents to join the children in making it at 2.00pm in the classroom. A short celebration service will then follow in the hall at 2:30pm, finishing in time for the end of the day. We will share details on what your child will need to bring for this closer to the time.

Friday 20th December - Last day of term. School finishes at 1:30pm today. No Games lesson so normal uniform please.

Notes for parents

As the weather is changeable at the moment, we appreciate that some children might choose to wear boots to/from school. Please could you ensure that suitable school shoes are in a bag so your child can change into them at school for the school day.

Catholic Life -As part of our learning, we teach children how they can follow in the footsteps of Jesus in the way they interact and help others. If your child has taken part in any charity work, please let us know so we can share and celebrate this in school.

Nativity Painting Competition - see details below

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Many thanks for all your support.

The Year 1 Team 😊

Handwriting Guidance

Handwriting Position:

- feet flat on the floor
- bottom at the back of the chair
- body one fist from the table
- shoulders down and relaxed
- back leaning forward slightly
- left/right hand holding the page
- left/right hand ready in a tripod grip.

Letter formation



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NATIVITY SCENE PAINTING COMPETITION

COMPETITION IS OPEN TO CHILDREN AGED 4-11 YEARS OLD

THEME GUIDE:

- NATIVITY SCENE OF OUR LORD
- WRITE BIBLE CHAPTER AND VERSE THAT BEST RELATES TO YOUR PAINTING
- THE COMPETITOR'S ENTRIES WILL BE OF THEIR OWN FREE HAND DRAWING AND COLOURING PRODUCTION.
- THE USE OF PRE-PREPARED TRACINGS SHOULD BE DISCOURAGED.
- THE ENTRIES ARE TO BE SUBMITTED SIZED EITHER A4 OR A3 ON PAPER OR CARD OF A QUALITY AND COLOUR OF CHOICE.
- THE BIBLE CHAPTER AND VERSE CAN BE WRITTEN ON THE PAINTING, ON THE REVERSE OR ON ATTACHMENT.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION SHOULD BE SHOWN LEGIBLY ON THE REVERSE OF EACH ENTRY: **NAME OF ENTRANT. AGE OF ENTRANT. DATE OF BIRTH OF ENTRANT. SCHOOL YEAR GROUP. NAME AND FULL ADDRESS OF SCHOOL.**

INFORMATION:

Submission Deadline
6th January 2025

FREE ENTRY

Prizes

Winner: £30
2nd place: £20
3rd place: £15

Children should bring their nativity scene to school by the deadline and we will organise a collection with Brother Michael Gallagher.