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## Newsletter 07.02.25– Term 3 -Week 5

### Reflection: Luke 5:1-11

After working all night, the fishermen had caught nothing. So, Jesus said to Peter and his friends, "Sail out into deep water and let down your nets." They did as Jesus said and caught so many fish that their nets began to burst. Peter and his friends were amazed by the catch. Then Jesus said, "From now on you will be fishers of people." So, Peter and the fishermen left everything and followed him.

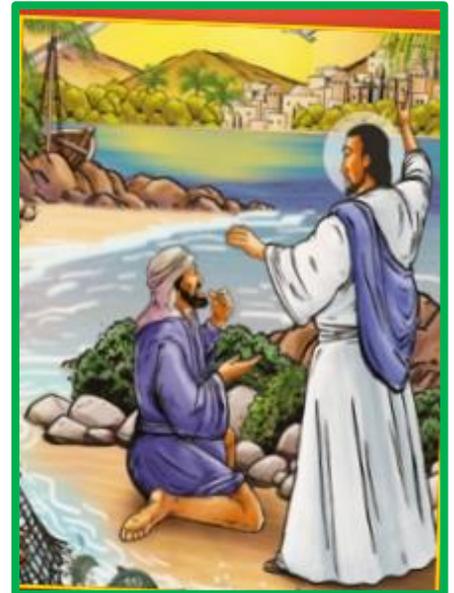
In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus promised the fishermen that, if they followed him, they would bring home more than fish: they would bring people back to God. By following Jesus, we too can help others to know and love God – to find the happiness which comes from knowing and following Jesus.

Through the miraculous catch, Peter saw Jesus in a new light. Peter's humility made him fit to be a follower of Jesus and he went on to discover his true purpose in life.

The Church has always understood this Sunday's Gospel to be a sign of our own need to follow Jesus. We can follow Jesus even in the simple things we do in our lives every day, and make life better for everyone around us.

In this coming week, how can we follow Jesus, even in little ways? Perhaps we can: be a good listener if someone is sad and wants to share their problems with you; find regular time to pray for others; be kind and include others in our games

**Dear Lord Jesus, thank  
you for calling us to  
follow you. Please help  
us to be  
your faithful followers –  
helping our world to  
become a better place.  
Amen.**



### Mrs Barker

I am thrilled to share with you that Mrs Barker's baby has arrived. Imogen Bridie Barker was born weighing 8lb 11. Mum and baby are doing well. I am sure you will join in me congratulating Mr and Mrs Barker and Lola on their new bundle of joy.



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**CHILDREN'S  
MENTAL HEALTH  
WEEK**

3-9  
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During mental health week Emerald Class thought about how we can make our minds happy. We discussed the things that put a smile on our faces such as spending time with family and friends, exercising, eating yummy food, playing with our toys and watching a TV programme we enjoyed. We realised doing these things help keep our mind happy.

Ruby Class have been exploring our talents, skills and qualities then shared these with our friends. We have also made a worry box where all children can post their worries in if they have any.

In Diamond Class, we have explored our feelings using the 'Be the pond' mindful concept. We have thought of our feelings as different kinds of fish and our job is to be the pond and welcome all of the

Topaz Class have been thinking about how thoughts and feelings are like bubbles. There are lots of different kinds; some big, some small, some overlap, some that disappear quickly and some that seem to hang around for a long time. But none of them last forever! We don't have to allow our feelings to take over, but recognise them as they drift by.

Amethyst Class have discussed the barriers to having positive mental health and what we could do to care for ourselves. Inspired by the film Inside Out, we then created our own Personality Islands we could travel to.

Sapphire Class reflected on their positive sense of self - concentrating on all the wonderful things that make the children who they are. The discussion brought lots of smiles, as we played games to bring out more dialogue between the children. The children then created mind maps all about their positive attributes.



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### Year 6 trip to MSHED

Y6 had a great trip to the MShed on Wednesday to learn more about the role Bristol played in World War 2. They got to handle real artefacts from the war and find out more about how the people of Bristol were affected during that time. They enjoyed exploring the museum too and of course, represented St Nick's wonderfully.



### St Nicks FC

The football 1st team took on our Newman Trust rivals, St Bons this week in the league. It was a thrilling encounter, with the score finishing 5-4. The win means the side has now won three league matches in a row to put them back in the race for the title! In attack, we look fantastic and Acher demonstrated this with a beautiful solo goal, running the ball from his own box. Arguably the best goal ever seen at St Nicks! Player of the match had to be awarded to Praise, who built on his 2 goals in the last game by netting a hat rick and leading the line fantastically well. The opposition team's manager even complemented his great performance

### Attendance

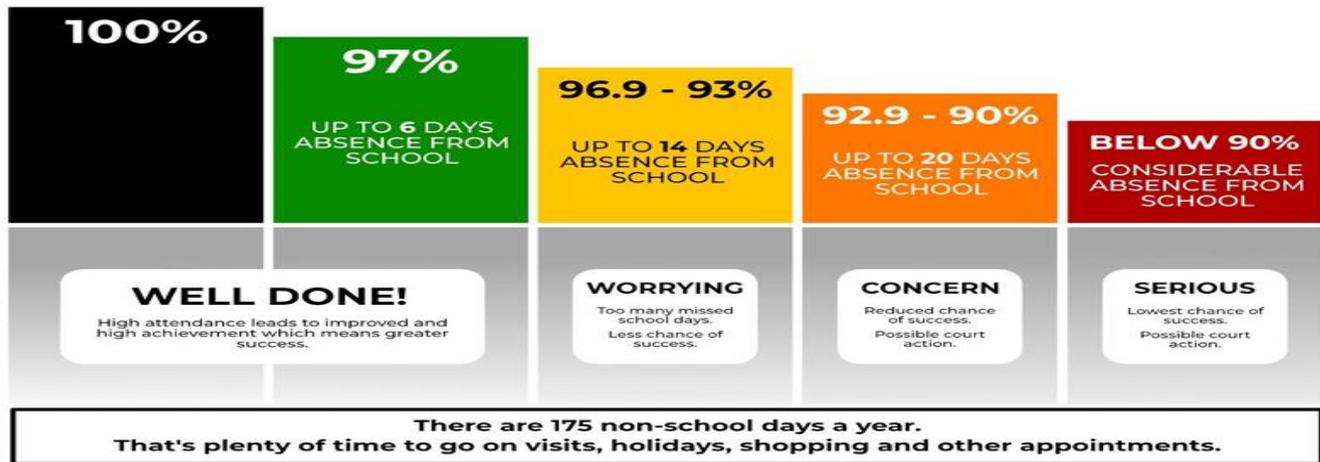
Thank you to those children who attend school regularly and on time. We will continue to monitor closely, if attendance continues to be a concern, we will send out an earlier letter than the end of term. The target for all pupils is set at **96.1%** and any figure below is a concern.

**Any classes who achieve a 100% attendance for the week will be able to have a non-school uniform day the following week.**

Class	Yearly Attendance	This week's attendance	Late sessions this week
Diamond Class	87.2%	74.1%	10
Emerald Class	94%	91.6%	7
Ruby Class	93.7%	95.6%	13
Amethyst Class	94.2%	94.5%	3
Sapphire Class	94%	97.3%	14
Topaz Class	93%	95%	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>92.7%</b>	<b>74.1%</b>	<b>54</b>

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## WHAT IS YOUR ATTENDANCE?



Thank you to those who attend regularly. Please remember to phone the school office if your child is going to be absent. If we do not hear from you, we will ring you and then may also make a home visit if we are unable to contact you. Thank you to those who arrive on time. Remember, children can go straight to class from 8:40am or attend breakfast club from 8am if necessary. There is also access to the walking bus if required. If your child is constantly late to school this can affect their self-esteem and they could be missing out on valuable reading, phonics or Maths activities and interventions.

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs R James