

'Where charity and love are, God is there'

Newsletter 01.03.24– Term 4 -Week 2

Reflection: Mark 9:2-10

Jesus went up a mountain to be alone with his friends, the disciples Peter, James and John. While he was on the mountain, a great change came over him. His clothes became bright and shining white and Elijah and Moses appeared and talked to him. Then a cloud came over and Jesus's friends heard a voice, saying "This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him."

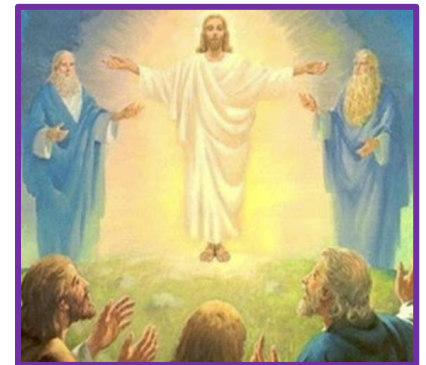
On the mountain the disciples saw Jesus's true loving self shining like the rays of the sun. If we listen to Jesus and spend time with God in our hearts then we too can let our true light shine brightly. For example, we could be kinder to other people, or extra helpful. You can hear so much more when you really take time to listen. *So how do you think we can best listen to what Jesus has to say to us in our lives?*

God asks us to be kind and generous to others and treat them as we would like to be treated.

*Do you think you could listen to God more this Lent? How?
What will you do to try and live more as God wants?*

In Lent we spend extra time praying and we think about how we can help other people, and in this way let our true light shine out from inside us.

**God of life, help us to
listen to your Son Jesus
and to live our lives as
he asks us, making a
real change to ourselves
and the lives of all we
meet. Amen.**



Mini Police – Special Visitors

This week Mini Police were visited by 2 special visitors – in the form of two police dogs.

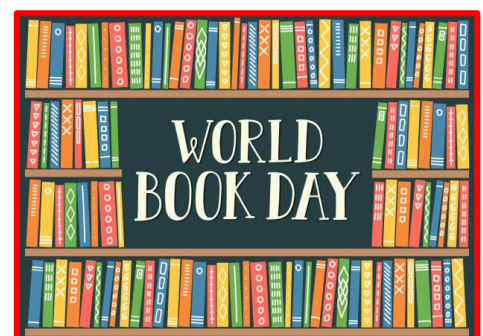
This was such a great experience for the mini police, they got to see the dogs in action, searching for hidden items in the hall.



World Book Day

World book day is fast approaching – **Thursday 7th March 2024**. All children are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character should they wish or even their comfy PJs to enjoy a story.

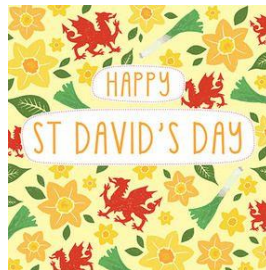
Miss McAllister has posted further information on class dojo. We are taking the whole school, class at a time to spend their World Book Day Voucher. If you are able to help out walking with us to the book shop please let us know.



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Family Forest

This week we welcomed more of our community into school to take part in our Family Forest Sessions. We are hoping to see more attend as the weather gets warmer!
The children love exploring our amazing grounds.



Year 1 and 2 Assembly

Today the school was awash with yellow as we celebrated St David's Day. Year 1 and 2 were amazing kicking off the day with their class assembly – Mrs James was so proud they had learnt a Welsh Nursery Rhyme to share! All the children were amazing and all took part, they are growing in confidence every day.



Whole school Welsh Cakes!

Well I think this St David's day has been my favourite. The whole school got to make and taste Welsh Cakes today. The whole school smelt divine. It was great to see the children working together to create their delicious treats. Thank you to Miss Phipps for organising this for everyone!



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REMEMBER!

Scooters and Bikes

We know that lots of children ride or scooter to school. Unfortunately, another child's scooter seems to have been taken. If your child has come home with a scooter that does not belong to them, please return it. *I would like to remind parents that scooters and bikes are left at your own risk.* There are railings where bikes can be secured with a chain should you wish.



**Bushcraft in Nature:
After School Club**
AT THE TRINITY CENTRE

3:30PM - 5:00PM EVERY MONDAY
BETWEEN 15/01/24 - 25/03/24

Free sessions with activities available for
8 - 11 year olds

Campfire cooking, arts and crafts,
Nature Play, making friends

Snacks provided, often sourced
from the garden

All wet weather kit provided and indoor
space available if needed

'Walking bus' available from Hannah More to
Trinity Centre at 3.15pm for each session
(Via St Nicholas of Tolentine at 3.25pm)

THE TRINITY CENTRE
TRINITY RD, ST JUDES
BRISTOL, BS2 0NW

Any queries, call on
0117 9351200
and ask for the Youth Team

Find out more:


TRINITY:

Walking Bus:

We are really fortunate that we are able to offer a walking bus. We have noticed this week that some children are not on time. Here is a reminder of the times

First stop 8.10am – 8.15am (St Mattias House)
Second Stop - 8.20am – 8.25am (Haviland House)

Breakfast Club – 8am – 8.30am.

Please can I remind parents if children are requiring breakfast they must attend before 8.30am. Breakfast will not be served after this time. Children waiting until after 8.30 are missing key learning time.



Please use the QR code on the leaflet to book your child's after school club place. Leaflets are available in the school office also.

Class Assemblies – Round Two.

We are so excited to welcome you to more of our class assemblies!
Reception – Friday 8th
March

Uniform

A reminder that Jewellery is not permitted as part of school uniform. This is a health and safety reason, necklaces and larger ear rings can catch on the equipment that children use. Small stud earrings are permitted but not hoops or dangling ear rings. Children will be asked to remove them.

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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	92.2%	93.7%	0
Emerald Class	92.9%	94.8%	12
Ruby Class	93.5%	93.2%	9
Amethyst Class	92.6%	90.7%	3
Sapphire Class	92.1%	90.9%	12
Topaz Class	93.5%	96.1%	9
Total	92.9%	93.4%	45

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

Dates for your Diary - Term 4

Saturday 2nd March	St Nicks FC Trip to Bristol City V Cardiff City
Tuesday 5th March	Y6 forest school session – will need outdoor clothes
Thursday 7th March	WORLD BOOK DAY – Dress up day Class trips to Foyles book store
Friday 8th March	9am Reception Class Assembly Class trips to Foyles book store
Monday 11th March	Year 4 trip to Roman Baths – need volunteers
Tuesday 12th March	Year 3 Trip to MShed & Bus Tour – need volunteers Y5 forest school session – will need out door clothes
Wednesday 13th March – Friday 15th Marcy	Year 6 Camp!!!
Monday 18th March	Wear Green for St Patrick's Day
Tuesday 19th March	Y4 forest school session – will need outdoor clothes 3.30pm – 6pm Parent's Evening
Thursday 21st March	3.30pm – 6pm Parent's Evening
Friday 22nd March	STEAM day Engineering
Wednesday 27th March	1.30pm – Family Forest School
Thursday 28th March	Last Day of Term

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs R James