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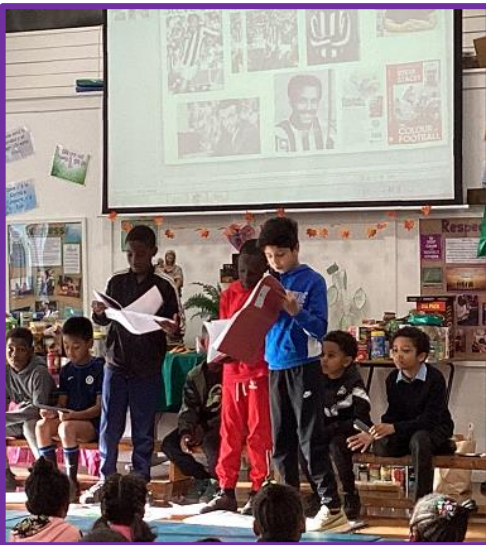
Newsletter 13.10.23 – Week 6

Reflection

This week we have been reflecting on the teachings of John Henry Newman, as we celebrated his Feast Day on Monday 9th October. St Newman is the Saint name of the Catholic Academy Trust we joined in April this year.

John Henry Newman, believed that everyone should show their love for God by showing love for each other. His motto is 'Heart Speaks to Heart'. In school we reflected on this motto and thought about how we could show love for each other. Each child designed a cross to show their love and faith, some designs will be chosen to create a larger cross to share amongst the Trust schools.

May the Lord support us all the day long,
Till the shades lengthen
and the evening comes,
and the busy world is hushed
and the fever of life is over
and our work is done.
Then, in his mercy, may he give us
a safe lodging, holy rest, and
peace at the last.
Amen.



Year 5 Class Assembly

Last Friday we were treated to Year 5 class assembly, and what a treat that was! The children taught us all about Steve Stacey and the impact that he had on Football. We were shown their wonderful work through motion stop videos, brilliant poetry and not forgetting their incredible dancing. It was lovely to welcome some year 5 parents to celebrate their work.



We The Curious Take Over Day

We were joined this week by We The Curious, all classes were able to participate in some fun hands on science lessons. KS1 learnt all about rainforests and KS2 put their creativity to the test with making Scribble Bots.



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Year 4 Class Assembly

This week year 4 presented their class assembly. This taught the whole school about George Muller and his work providing orphanages. We also saw some of their amazing art work. They performed brilliantly with so much confidence. Thank you to all the year 4 parents who came to support, it was lovely to have so many of you in school.



Chaplains Commissioning

I was so proud of our chaplains this week as they attended Clifton Cathedral to be commissioned into their role. As always they were great role models for our school. We are looking forward to seeing all they achieve this year.



St Nicks FC News

The football team put in a great performance against St Bons on Monday, however it wasn't quite enough to progress in the Coronation Cup First Round, losing the game 2-1. Sami and Adrian F had some brilliant shots, and would have scored lots of goals if it hadn't been for the opposition keeper, who had a brilliant game. Well done to Vincent and Alaya for going in goal during the game! We have lots more games to come this season, so let's keep going



St Nicks FC News

The football team attended the ESFA Football tournament at Clifton College, which was a huge tournament involving 14 teams from all over Bristol. The team showed an amazing attitude and progressed from the group stage which caused great celebrations. They put in an amazing performance in the Quarter Final and narrowly lost. It was a great learning experience for the team with a big focus on winning, and losing well. Congratulations to all the players!



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On **Friday 20th October** all children are invited to wear Red to school, we are asking for a donation towards Stand up to Racism Charity.



This year we are introducing class assemblies. These will take place on a Friday morning at 9am, all parents are invited to share what the children have been learning. The dates for Term 1 are below, other classes will follow in Term 2. **All parents are welcome!**

Friday 20th October – Whole school Black History Month Celebration

Free family forest school sessions

St Nicholas of Tolentine RC Primary school are holding free family forest school sessions for local pre-school children and families.



When?

The following Wednesdays at 1.30pm – 3pm:

18th October 2023
8th November 2023
24th January 2024
28th February 2024
27th March 2024
8th May 2024
3rd July 2024



If you would like to attend, please call the school office on 0117 377 2260 or email st.nicholas.p@bristol-schools.uk to book a place!

We have access to indoor space for forest school if it is raining!



Bristol Multi Faith Forum in collaboration with the British Science Association and the University of Bristol is organising a series of **3 science workshops for school students.**

Creating and increasing awareness about STEM subjects among youths is the prime objective of our workshop. Science helps to gain knowledge about the environment, health, and different aspects of life. Workshops and exhibitions are a great way to raise awareness. Workshops will be creative, fulfilled, and interactive.

- » Free Entry » Each workshop will handle a different topic
- » Suitable for 5 to 15 years of age » Refreshments will be provided
- » A certificate of participation & goodie bag will be given to the participants.

EVENT DATES

- » 10.30am - 12noon Sun 8th Oct. 2023
- » 10.30am - 12noon Sat 25th Nov. 2023
- » 10.30am - 12noon Sun 10th Dec. 2023

VENUE

Cherry Room, Bailey's Court Activity Centre, Bailey's Ct Road, Bradley Stoke, Bristol BS32 8BH

To register, please email info@bristolmultifaithforum.org.uk with your child's name, school year, and your contact details.

Please encourage children to join in and make the best use of this exciting opportunity.

Reception Open Days for September 2024



Friday 13th October 9:30-11:30am

Wednesday 1st November 1:30-3pm

Thursday 7th December 9:30-11:30am



If you are unable to attend these dates/times please contact the school office to arrange a visit, we are happy to help.

To book a visit, please call 01173772260 or email st.nicholas.p@bristol-schools.uk



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Attendance

Thank you to those children who attend school regularly and on time. We had a number of children receive 100% certificates sent home last term – great work. This week we have noticed a few improvements with some families. 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	94.4%	96.3%	2
Emerald Class	92.9%	95.4%	21
Ruby Class	93.9%	93.2%	1
Amethyst Class	92.5%	95.7%	8
Sapphire Class	93.1%	94.3%	11
Topaz Class	92.6%	94.6%	12
Total	93.1%	94.8%	55

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 1

Monday 16th October	1pm – 3pm New to English lessons for parents
Friday 20th October	Last Day of Term Wear Red – Stand up to Racism – donate a £1 EYFS WOW Day Rags to Riches Collection 2pm – Whole school assembly celebrating Black History Month
Monday 30th October	Start of Term 2
Friday 3rd November	INSET DAY

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs R James