

'Where charity and love are, God is there'

Newsletter 29.09.23 – Week 4

Reflection

Matthew 20:1-16

A landowner went out to hire some workers for his vineyard. He took on new workers at the start of the day and three more times later in the day. He promised them all a fair wage.

The workers who arrived first expected to be paid more than the workers who arrived near to the end of the day. After all, they were hot and tired and had worked very hard all day, while some of the others have only worked for one hour.

Jesus is showing us that God's idea of fairness is different from ours.

God gives us what we need and not just what others think we deserve. God is generous and created a world with enough for absolutely everyone.

Living Lord, we give thanks for your generosity and love. Help us to take no more than we need, to share all that we have and to work together for change so that the world becomes a fairer place for everyone. Amen.



This week in school

Diamond class invited their parents and carers in for their WOW morning. It was a superhero theme; the children really were superheroes sharing their learning with their visitors.



Year 6 kicked off our class assemblies this week. Well done Year 6, it is not always easy going first but you were all amazing. They taught us all about Windrush and the impact on Bristol.



Bikes in School

We love that many of children walk, scooter or ride to school. Please can I remind everyone that if any Bikes/scooters left at school are done so at your own risk, the school site is secured during the day. Please also remember to only take a bike home if it belongs to you. There are some racks that they can be chained to if required.



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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 6th October – Y5

Friday 13th October – Y4

Friday 20th October – Whole school Black History Month Celebration

Brighten up for Harvest

Friday 6th October all children are welcome to come dressed in brightly coloured clothes. We ask that children bring in a donation towards the foobank.

Below is a list of items suggested by them:

Milk

Break

Tins

Beans

Tins of fish

Tea

Coffee

Toiletries

Any other items will also be greatly received.



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

Black History Month: JOY Trail – a showcase celebrating an educational project of Black joy

JOY Trail is an innovative, educational project created by Tanisha and Emma. They are two local mothers and teachers of primary and secondary aged students, who offer a fresh perspective on cultural heritage through the lens of joy.

Disrupting the dominant single story narratives of trauma and social justice of the Black experience, JOY Trail works alongside young people to develop a wider understanding of “taking up space”. The project expands experiences beyond stereotypes, and empowers young people to view themselves as agents of positive change.

Tickets can be booked [here](#)



ST NICHOLAS OF TOLENTINE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Raise funds by collecting reusable clothes

Schools Clubs Groups

WE ACCEPT CLEAN, GOOD QUALITY, DRY, REUSABLE CLOTHING

- Adults, Childrens & Babies Clothing
- Jewellery and Accessories
- Paired Shoes and Footwear
- Belts and Handbags

A full list of reusable items is listed on our website www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk

WE DO NOT ACCEPT

POOR QUALITY ITEMS SUCH AS DIRTY, WET, RIPPED OR SOILED CLOTHES. PILLOWS, DUVETS, CURTAINS, BOOKS CDS OR ANY UNIFORM

If you are unsure what to put in the bags **STOP AND THINK WOULD YOU WEAR IT?**

Please use the clothing bag provided. You can also use any additional bag if required.

Collection Date: **Friday 20th October, 2023**

Please remember - NO UNIFORM



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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	92.3%	100%	3
Emerald Class	91.5%	93.9%	22
Ruby Class	93.8%	97.9%	3
Amethyst Class	91.5%	90.9%	12
Sapphire Class	92.1%	92.4%	12
Topaz Class	92.2%	95.4%	11
Total	92.2%	94.5%	63

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 2nd October	Black History Month Begins KS2 Black Artists workshops Mini Police begins for Y5 1pm – 3pm New to English lessons for parents
Friday 6th October	9am Year 5 Class Assembly Brighten up for Harvest – wear bright clothes and donate to the foodbank
Monday 9th October	1pm – 3pm New to English lessons for parents
Thursday 12th October	We the Curious Take over day Chaplaincy Commissioning
Friday 13th October	9am Year 4 Class Assembly
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