St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter



Friday 17th January 2020

Dear all,

The children have had a busy week in school, particularly Cherry and Willow Class who had their Roman Day on Tuesday. A Roman Centurian visited and the children learnt all about what it would have been like to be a Roman. They had to decide whether they would rather fight for their rights and remain a Celt or join the Roman Army. They learnt about the different foods the Romans ate, they tried on jewellery and clothing and learnt about the toys the children would have had in Roman times. After all the discussions and learning the majority of the children said they would stay as Celts. In the afternoon, the children had 'Roman Army training' and then fought the yr 5s! Lucy and Lilly in yr 3 said 'The best bit of the day was going into battle and using our shields to make the tortoise shape to protect ourselves from the balls being thrown!' What a super day!

Beech Class have also had an exciting week with a visit to ECC for an English session and then today they have had a 'We've Got This' workshop. This was led by a lady from ECC and has helped them talk through and discuss any anxieties they may be having about secondary school.

Lunchtime Awards

As you know the children are given raffle tickets every day when they are spotted demonstrating one of our Gospel Values or meeting the lunch target. Each week there is a different target they work towards. These raffle tickets go into the box and two are picked out each term. Whoever's name is picked out the box gets to invite one of their adults for lunch. I have put the target on the bottom of the newsletter so you can see what they are working towards each week. The targets consist of things like, good manners, listening, trying new foods etc

Letter coming home

Your child will be coming home with a letter from Exemplar Education about online Maths and English support. Normally we refuse to send letters home from outside companies but for just sending the letters out the company will donate £75 to the school. We are not in any way endorsing this company but inside the letter there is a leaflet with a return slip. Even if you have no interest in the products please return the slip ticking the box that says 'I am not interested'. You do not need to complete any other information on the form. If we get 40% of replies back, even if everyone says no, then they double the donation to £150. Many thanks for your support with this.

Next week:

Monday 20th January – Pupil Chaplains to Plymouth Cathedral, 8.15am at school Thursday 23rd January - 'Space Cats' Boo to a Goose theatre production Thursday 23rd January – Yr. 6 SATs talk for parents, 5.15pm Friday 24th January - Athletics event, group from Year 5&6 at the Tennis Centre.

Best wishes & many thanks for your continued support Mrs Taylor-Bashford

Headteacher's Awards: FSU - Tilly, Rory, Rowan - Daisy, Lusi, Amelia, Hollie x2!, Finley, Brooke

R, Quinlan, Sycamore - Jacob **Silver Awards:** Beech – Lola N

Bronze Awards: Sycamore – Archie, Finlay, Cherry – Owen, Maple – Iyaz, Jasmine, Beech –

Oliwia, Jasmyne

Stars of the week: Oak - Tilly, Rowan - Shiloh, Sycamore - Lydia, Cherry - Queenie, Willow -

Bella E, Maple - Johnie, Beech - Ariah

Breakfast Club Star of the week: Maple - Imogen Lunch Time target this week: Trying new foods