



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

DATE: 2nd February

Collective worship

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For today's assemblies we celebrated 'The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple'. The learners shared the story and reflected on how being at home with our families is safe. They then explored people who inspire them, and what they themselves are good at. A marvellous singing practice together in the hall together was the perfect end to our week.

John 3:16-17 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Dates for the Diary

Pancake Day Race 13th February

Ash Wednesday 14th February

**Half term begins Friday 16th
February**

**Return to school Monday 26th
February**

Head Teachers Message

This week we have been very musical with Rock Steady coming in on Wednesday. Each class had the opportunity to be part of a rock band, learning to use electric guitars, drums, keyboard and an open mic. It was such a brilliant day, a big thankyou to Emily for giving up her time and sharing her musically talent. We look forward to when she can come back in the summer.

On Tuesday, we had a lovely service in the chapel to celebrate the feast of Blessed Marie Therese who was the founder of the Daughters of the Cross. I was very proud of all the students who read aloud and those who enjoyed the service.

Beacon: What a fantastic week for Beacon Class!

There was so much going on this assessment week that students must be looking forward to some rest at the weekend. We explored the actions from Disney musicals, we did some dancing, singing, running and much more. We had our session with The Drawing Room where we used shapes to create a clown using paintings and paper collage. On Tuesday we went to a service on the chapel in celebration of Blessed Marie Therese, the founder of the Daughters Of The Cross. We ended our day eating delicious ice buns. We went to Ash Vale, where we've got very busy, by helping washing eggs, pots and gloves. We absolutely loved Rock Steady Music on Wednesday, where we listened to a rock band and enjoyed having a go with all the instruments.

Henry is our star of the week for using excellent manners when talking to others. Keep it going Henry!



Bramley:

This week in Bramley we have had a very exciting week with some special events to celebrate. On Tuesday we attended chapel for a special service to honour Blessed Marie Therse with college and other residents which the learners did very well at. On Wednesday Rock Steady visited and it was a brilliant to experience music through different instruments. The class favourite was definitely the electric guitar. In class we have been building on our animal boogie theme and took part in a sensology workout to experience different smells, and textures from the jungle.



Darcy:

Darcy class is beginning to feel settled and familiar after our first full week all together. Alongside our usual lessons, we've specifically focused this week on building up our all-important social and communications skills.

We hope you'll see that this is making Darcy class a really positive learning environment that encourages peer support and celebrates their successes together. Star of the week: Harry for choosing to join his friends on a walk during break time.



Discovery:

It's FRIDAY! We have had such a fantastic week of learning and getting used to school routines and the changes that come with them. We have had new friends join us and have worked so hard on modelling our good choices and learning skills. To add to our excitement we had a visit from the incredible Rock Steady who allowed us to rock out to all of our favourite songs and even try out a few instruments!

Our stars of the week (as we couldn't just pick one!) are Bertie and Denny for their excellent work and ability to make good choices consistently this week! Amazing!



Jubilee:

Dear family and friends. I am happy to announce the addition of two new boys in Jubilee class. We had a visit from a possible third learner as well. There are currently two girls and four boys in Jubilee class. There are 5 permanent members of staff and one residential staff supporting learners in class. We are concluding our daily assessments on Earwig, and we will share the mid-year reports with you in the very near future.



Pippin:

Pippin class have had a fantastic, fun filled week with lots of music, sensory experiences and whole school events. We especially enjoyed exploring a range of different instruments and music when working with the Rock Steady music group, culminating in a joyful session joining in, listening and watching other classes perform. We also visited chapel for a special celebration mass for Blessed Marie Therese, founder of the Daughters of the Cross, and very much enjoyed our celebration iced buns after! Everyone has worked incredibly hard on their communication skills this week and our star of the week goes to Hadley, for making his choices incredibly clear using his E-Tran frame. Have a lovely weekend everyone!



Stirling:

This week was a jam packed week for Stirling Class. Starting off the week with our usual trip to Tesco to buy ingredients for our breakfast muffins, this time with a more experimental set of instructions which really tested their food technology knowledge. The muffins were then handed out to a variety of staff and students across the school who gave their feedback for Stirling Class to respond to. We were fortunate this week as we had visit from the Rock Steady Company who brought with them a range of rock based instruments. Stirling students loved playing them and even collaborated for a unique rendition of 'we will rock you' by Queen. We celebrated a special service mass in the chapel to celebrate our founder of St. Elizabeth's, Marie Therese. In this special service Stirling students read aloud prayers to the congregation and joined in with singing and signing to some of the centres most loved songs. The week ended with a wonderful assembly about who we are inspired by which Stirling class did not hesitate to share with the other classes.



Wonder:

Wonder Class really seem to be settling into our new classroom this week and are becoming much more familiar with our classroom routines. We have been lucky enough to celebrate two birthdays this week so as well as working hard we have been partying hard. This week we really enjoyed our visit from Rock Steady and have been playing the piano, guitar and drums, with increasing independence. In our lessons we have been engaging well with our reading and using the switches to make the toys and lights work, we have begun to use the switches more independently choosing when we want the lights to work.



Winston:

This week in Winston Class has been fantastic. In topic we have discovered the economies of the richest and poorest economies in Africa. In R.E we reflected on the learning of our last cycle and created a display board for all of our work. In science we explored seasonality and why some foods have to be flown in from other countries. In Maths we looked at money division sums



Friday's Prayer

Loving God, we thank you that all people are important to you.
Help us to love ourselves, and each other.

Help us to love those who it is difficult to love, and to love those in need.

Amen.



Class	Star of the Week
Beacon	Henry
Bramley	Mathew
Darcy	Harry
Discovery	Bertie and Denny
Jubilee	Taylor
Pippin	Hadley
Stirling	Alex
Winston	Jesse
Wonder	Alyssia and Sofia

The School Council has been very busy over the last couple of weeks planning and preparing to meet the CEO of St Elizabeth's Centre, Jill. The members of the council came up with questions that they would like to ask, finding out a little more about Jill and her plans for the future. She told us lot of fascinating information including her hobbies and interests and the amazing 34 years that she has been working St Elizabeth's. One of the School Council priorities is to increase the range of activities and games the learners have during the lunch time. The Council chair and Jill will be meeting next week to order some fun and new resources for everyone to enjoy.

