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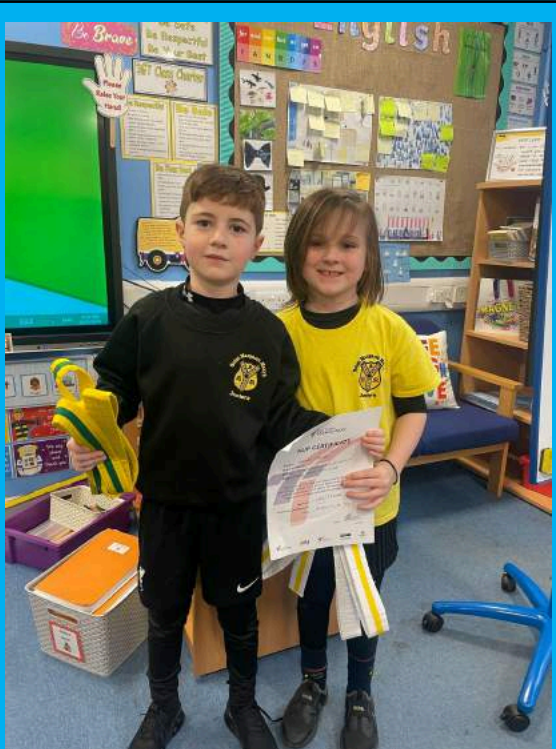
Value of the Week
Compassion

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Week ending Friday 1st March 2024

'Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you...'

Congratulations!

Thomas and Jacob in 3GT both have got taekwondo certificates and belts . Thomas is level 7 and Jacob , 9



Theatre Cafe

Well done to all the Theatre Cafe performers this week.
It was lovely to see some Year 3 dancers taking to the stage.

Paige Williams

This week, past pupil Paige Williams (and England football player) has been into school to give an inspirational talk to our Lower Keystage 2 pupils.



Award Winners

Congratulations to all our award winners this week:-

Class	Certificate of Achievement	Disciple of the Week *	Growth Mindset Award	Attendance Figure (Please refer to key later in the newsletter)
3CF	Freya	Zara	Elliott	95.0%
3GT	Evie	Heidi	Bella	97.8%
3HM	Amelia	Caoimhe	Brooke	95.7%
3ST	Angelyn	Eliza	Gabrielle	95.5%
4CD	Jack C	Nancy	Jack A	98.6%
4HW	Myla	Alex	Max	96.8%
4KH	Nareeza	Lincoln	Liliana	97.2%
4SC	Imogen	Theo	Kayden	93.2%

5AH	Paul	Max	Logan	99.0%
5JK	Daniel	Mila	Billy	97.1%
5KL	Isabelle K	Anna	Isla	91.7%
5PS	Isobelle	Sophia	Sophie	97.0%
6AC	Alex J	Nyah	Edward	96.4%
6JP	Livia	Eva- Nicole	Mason	97.9%
6LT	Stevie	Evie	Lola	93.1%
6SA	Jake	Melissa	Oscar	97.9%

Attendance for the whole school is 96.2%

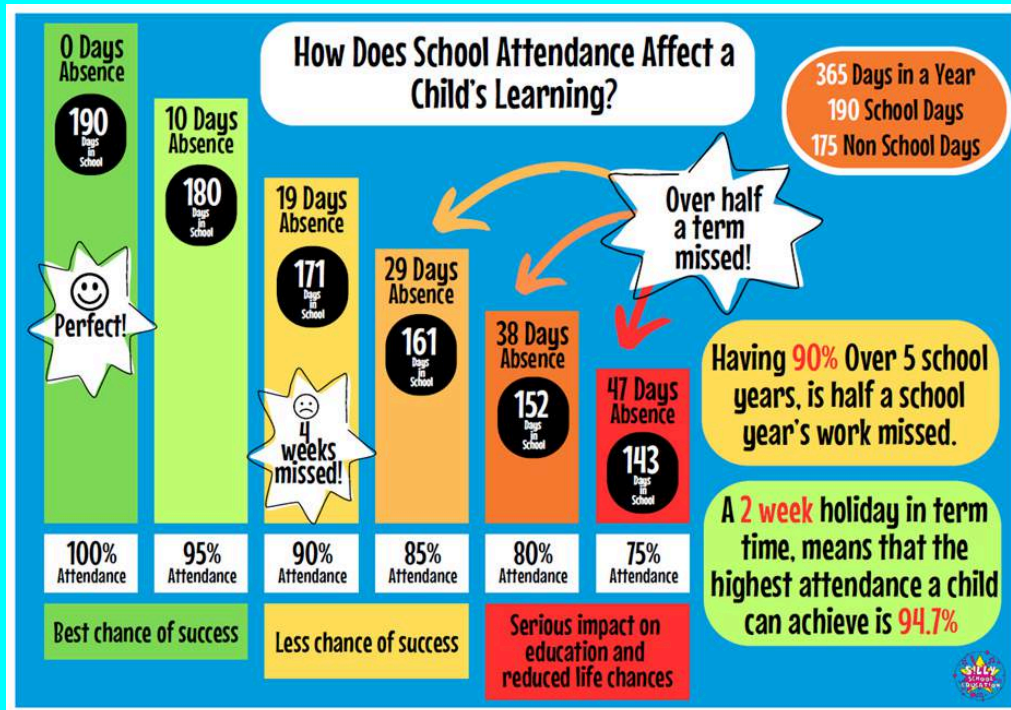
Dinnertime winners:6SA, 5KL, 4SC, 3CF

Times Table Leaderboard

	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Highest number of minutes on TTRS	Harry	Karthik	William	Diya
Class with the best engagement	3ST	4HW	5PS	6AC
Most Improved	Evie	George	Bella M	Poppy

HOUSE POINTS -

	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	TOTAL
St Andrew	299	245	222	211	977
St David	301	266	245	220	1032
St George	294	211	199	198	902
St Patrick	302	296	244	239	1081



SHINE

This week's SHINE lessons have linked to Safety. The children have been exploring the importance of their Social Media footprint. We would ask parents to monitor their child's use of social media as there have been occasions when our attention has been drawn to screenshots of inappropriate and hurtful comments that have been made on line. Hopefully this week's lessons will help to address this

Wellbeing Award 2024

We are delighted to inform you that following our visit from the Wellbeing assessor, we have retained the national Wellbeing Award for a further three years. Our assessor spoke very highly of our staff, children, parents and governors. A couple of quotes taken from the report says *'Wellbeing is given high importance and visibility throughout the school. Staff feel well supported in their wellbeing and value highly the care that is taken with and between them.'*



Many thanks to our children, parents, staff and governors who spoke to the assessor on the day, you did a wonderful job!

Sport News

Well done to our upper school football team who played at Liverpool's Academy in the Premier League Primary Stars finals on Wednesday. Unfortunately, we were narrowly beaten by the team who went on to win the competition but nevertheless some very strong performances especially from Louie in Y5 who has really moved on with his football this year and was our player of the tournament.

World Book Day

Next Thursday (7th March) it is National World Book Day. If they wish, children can come to school dressed up as a character from a book, or just wearing something comfortable! On this day in school, we will promote reading for pleasure. Children will be encouraged to bring books they love into school and will spend some time in our school library reading any books they like!

If you click on the link below, you will find activities and advice to help you enjoy sharing stories together as a family - not just on World Book Day.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/families/>

Pre-loved Book Sale

We have asked children to donate books that are in good condition to our pre-loved sale. Please can any books be sent into school early next week. All books will be sold on World Book Day for either 50p or £1.00.



We will also celebrate by having a special World Book Day Lunch which every child can be involved in for just £1. Please see the flyer attached to the newsletter email.

Parent Forum

Many thanks to all who attended this week's Parent Forum Meeting. We hope you found it to be beneficial.

Year 6 Assessment Week

Year 6 Assessment Week took place this week. The outcome of these assessments will be reported to parents at our forthcoming Assertive Mentoring Conversations.

Reconciliation

This week, Fr Roy was in school to deliver the sacrament of Reconciliation to those children in Year 4 who have not yet received it.

The Youth Community Fund is a grant application programme which forms part of the overall Integrated Youth Service offer. The main purpose of the Youth Community Fund is to provide a range of positive and engaging activities that meet the needs and wishes of children and young people across Knowsley.

The Short Break Small Grants Programme is part of Knowsley's Short Breaks Programme and will support organisations working to improve the lives of disabled children and their families in Knowsley. This forms part of the wider range of services available to parents and carers of children with disabilities and special needs (SEND) called the 'Local Offer.' The annual community and needs-led grant programmes are aligned to the Knowsley Better Together principles, and are aimed at supporting new, start-up community-led projects to become, over time, self-sustaining, and to enhance the wider local offer.

The local authority are currently preparing the details for the next round of our Youth Community Fund and Short Breaks Grants in which providers can apply for funding to deliver provision for children and young people in Knowsley. We would like to capture the thoughts and views of children and their families in the Borough about what type of activities they would like to see.

Please could the following link to be shared across your network of children, young people and families. <https://forms.office.com/e/WWwR6VyCmq>

Closing date for responses 1st March 2024 12:00pm.

SEND Coffee Afternoon - Thursday
7th March at 2pm



Following on from the success of our two Neurodiversity Coffee Mornings in the Autumn Term, we will be holding our first coffee afternoon on **Thursday 7th March at 2pm**. This coffee afternoon will focus on **Understanding Sensory** - which aims to inform parents about what Sensory Processing is, how it presents in our children and strategies we can incorporate into a child's daily routine to help self-regulation and focus.

This coffee afternoon will be led by Steph Hull, who is our Autism Advisory Teacher in Knowsley. She has worked closely with some of our children in school already and is planning to work with more.

Mrs Medway and Mrs Perry will also attend to help with any questions or support you may need with your child at home. It is also a great opportunity to speak to other parents, who may be going through similar issues with their child and may be able to offer some advice and support too. All parents are welcome. We hope to see lots of you there.

SPRING TERM DATES FOR DIARY

Dates are subject to change in certain circumstances-in the case of changes, we will endeavour to give parents as much notice as possible

February

22nd 6JP to work with the CLC

Week Beginning 26th-Year 6 Assessment Week

29th-6AC to work with the CLC

March

Week Beginning 4th- Child Centred Reviews

5th PTA Meeting

6th Assertive Mentoring Conversations 3GT

7th World Book Day

Governors' Curriculum Meeting (5pm)

Week Beginning 11th-Year 4 Holy Communion Session 5

Assertive Mentoring Conversations

12th 4HW, 4CD and 5JK Assertive Mentoring Conversations

13th 3CF and 3HM Assertive Mentoring Conversations

14th 3ST, 5PS and 6LT Assertive Mentoring Conversations

British Science Day

Week Beginning 18th-Year 5 trip to Winmarleigh Hall

Assertive Mentoring Conversations

18th 6SA Assertive Mentoring

19th 4SC and 4KH Assertive Mentoring Conversations

19th 6AC Assertive Mentoring Conversations

20th 5KL Assertive Mentoring Conversations

21st 6JP Assertive Mentoring Conversations

25th 5AH Assertive Mentoring Conversations

Loving, learning, growing together with Jesus



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