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Value of the Week
Hope

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**"Let your hope keep you joyful, be patient in your troubles, and pray at all times."
— Romans 12:12**

RECOGNITION BOARD

CHARITY FUNDRAISING

Many thanks to all families who supported last week's 'Time For Bed' charity day and this week's Jamie-Leigh Green Day. An enjoyable time was had by all and all donations will be put to very good use by the two charities.



Well done to Amelia who has moved up a level in her gymnastics class!



Our Y6 Art and Craft Club children have been busy being creative again this week preparing for Christmas!



6JK have been busy making bags in their DT lessons this term. Here we have Elza and Carter modelling their finished products!



Well done to Ruby in 4KH who took part in a dance competition this week. She came 3rd in her solo disco dance and won a special invitation award too. We are so proud of you Ruby, well done!





Well done to Ella in 3GM for passing her Grade 1 in Ice Skating. What a fabulous achievement to share! Great job.

SPORT NEWS

Year 5 pupils are currently benefiting from swimming lessons. Swimming is such a vital life skill and therefore we would encourage parents to speak positively about the importance of swimming to their child.



Year 6 have benefited this week from Bikeability sessions. These will hopefully help them to ride safely around the local area. Sadly, we had to cancel the sessions on Wednesday and Thursday due to the weather. These sessions will now take place on 9th December (L1 and L2 for 6AC and 6LT) and on 10th December (Children doing their L3).



YEAR 4 PARENT WORKSHOPS

Thank you to all Year 4 parents who attended this week's Breakfast Times Table Workshops. We hope that you found your session to be useful and we look forward to doing more workshops in Spring.



ASSESSMENT WEEK

This week has been Assessment Week in school. The children have worked very hard and the results of their assessments will be made available to parents at their child's forthcoming Assertive Mentoring conversation, the dates of which are as follows:-

- 2nd December- 3KH, 6SA, 6AC and 5PS
- 3rd December 3CF, 6LT and 5AH
- 5th December 3GM, 4SC, 4MW and 5AW
- 6th 3ST and 5HW
- 10th 6JK
- 12th 4KH & 4HB

PARENT FORUM

Many thanks to all parents who joined our Parent Forum Meeting held this

CHRISTMAS JUMPER SALE -

Monday 25th November



week. We hope that you found the meeting to be beneficial.

Next Monday , straight after school , the "Charity Champions" will be selling the Christmas jumpers that have been kindly donated. 🧑‍🎄

🎄 We will sell them for £2 each in 3GM . 🎄

A great opportunity to grab an extra jumper, to help the environment and also contribute to Save the Children charity .

🎄 There's some great ones on offer. 🧑‍🎄



BUILDING WORK

Works will soon start to improve the classrooms in our Year 4 floor. The works will include the creation of 4 new classrooms and refurbishment of the other four classrooms. There will be some changes around the collection of children from year 4 and we will keep you all updated as soon as we know a confirmed start date.

SHINE

This week the 'I' of our SHINE Curriculum (Independence) has been studied. The children have looked at Inspirational Role Models.

YEAR 3 MOVIE NIGHT

Thank you to Year 3 for their support of Movie Night this week. An enjoyable time was had by all.

KNIFE CRIME WORKSHOPS

Year 6 have started to receive some workshops on knife crime this week. They got to use virtual reality headsets to help to create a much more visual understanding of the horrendous implications that this can have on society.



CHRISTMAS FAIR

The PTA will be organising an 'Own Clothes Day' to raise tombola items for the school Christmas Fair which will take place in school on Friday 6th December (2pm-4pm). We would be really grateful for the following donations:-

- Years 3 & 4: Unused gifts or good quality nearly new toys/games (appropriate for 8-11 year olds).
- Years 5 & 6: Donations of alcoholic/non-alcoholic drinks (alcoholic drinks should be handed in to the school office by an adult).



Can you help?

On the day of the fair we need help to set up between 12 clock and 2pm, and/or help in manning stalls/games during the fair from 2pm to 4pm.

We are also looking for some special donation prizes to raffle.

If you can help with either of the above please email - stmargaret@knowsley.gov.uk

Extra-Curricular Timetable

We have a wide range of extra-curricular activities for our children to participate in during the Autumn Term. Please see the timetable below:-

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y3	Before School	Wake & Shake		Wake & Shake		
	Lunchtime	Construction, Games & CreativeWake & Shake Art.	Construction, Games & Creative Art.	Construction, Games & Creative Art.	Construction, Games & Creative Art. Origami	
	After School		Choir Dodgeball			
Y4	Before School	Wake & Shake		Wake & Shake		
	Lunchtime				Origami	
	After School		Choir	Dodgeball	Sewing Club	Rebound Football
Y5	Before School	Wake & Shake		Wake & Shake Bleep Test Girls' Football		
	Lunchtime		Times Table Club	Homework Club	Origami	
	After School		Choir		History Podcast Club	Rebound
Y6	Before School	Wake & Shake	Bleep Test	Wake & Shake Table Tennis Girls' Football		Table Tennis
	Lunchtime	Chess Club	Table Tennis		Origami	
	After School		Choir Art Club Craft & Sewing		Boys' Football Speech Choir	

AUTUMN 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.

Dates may also be added

November

Week Beginning 25th Year 5 Swimming

29th-School Closed for INSET Day

December

Week Beginning 2nd Assertive Mentoring Conversations

2nd St Andrew's Day to be celebrated today (St Andrew's House Team have the option to wear a splash of blue)

2nd 3KH, 6SA, 6AC and 5PS Assertive Mentoring Conversations

3rd 3CF, 6LT and 5AH Assertive Mentoring Conversations

4th Year Meeting of the Full Governing Body

5th Pupil Christmas Lunch

5th 3GM, 4SC, 4MW & 5AW Assertive Mentoring Conversations

6th 3ST and 5HW Assertive Mentoring Conversations

7th 3GT and 3HM to work with the CLC

5th Christmas Lunch

6th Christmas Jumper Day

Coffee Morning

Christmas Fair (pm) 2pm-4.15pm

Week Beginning 9th Assertive Mentoring Conversations (Dates and Times to be decided)

10th 6JK Assertive Mentoring Conversations

11th Year 3 Nativity Performance for Parents (1.30pm)

12th Year 3 Nativity Performance for parents (9.30am)

12th 4KH & 4HB Assertive Mentoring Conversations

13th Theatre Cafe

13th Year 5 Parent Workshop

16th Christmas Party

17th Whole School to the Christmas Pantomime-Peter Pan

18th-Christmas Carol Event for Parents (2pm)

19th End of Term Mass

Break up for the Christmas Holiday (1.30pm)

Follow us on Instagram

Did you know that each Year Group has their own Instagram account? We would love as many Instagram followers as possible so please follow your child's year group account:-

@smmjyear3

@smmjyear4

@smmjyear5

@smmjyear 6

INSET DAY REMINDER

A reminder that that school will be closed to the pupils next **Friday (29th November)**.

Loving, learning, growing together with Jesus



We're working towards Artsmark
Awarded by Arts Council England

