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Value of the Week
Love

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**"Above everything, love one another earnestly, because love covers over many sins."
(1 Peter 4:8)**

Recognition Board



Well done to Caoimhe and Hallie in 4KH for their efforts in their recent dance show. We are so proud of you girls!

ATTENDANCE

<u>Class that has lost the fewest days this week</u>	<u>Year Group with the fewest lost days this week</u>	<u>Class with the fewest children who are below the school target</u>	<u>Most Improved attendance this week</u>	<u>School Attendance this week</u>	<u>Impressive Attendance this week</u>
<u>6JK</u>	<u>Year 6</u>	<u>4KH</u>	<u>4MW</u>	<u>93.9%</u>	<u>4KH</u> <u>6JK</u>

SPORT NEWS

This week, a group of our Year 5 and 6 pupils represented the school at an inter school Athletics Competition.



Year 5 pupils are continuing to benefit 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

ASSESSMENT WEEK

The results of the children's recent assessments will be made available to parents at their 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

ROCK STEADY CONCERT

Next Monday (2nd December) at 9.15am, our Rock Steady pupils will perform a concert for their parents and for pupils within their class. This usually proves to be a very enjoyable event.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER SALE

Many thanks to all who supported our Christmas Jumper Sale. Proceeds from the sale will go to the Save the Children charity .



There are still a few left and we will do another sale after school on Monday outside of 3GM.

BUILDING WORK

We are delighted to confirm that the redevelopment of our first floor (Currently Year 4) will begin next week. The works will be undertaken in 2 stages, the first will focus on the half of the floor closest to reception and the second on the half of the floor closest to Olivia's performance area.

Pupils in 4MW have already moved into the old Music room while works take place. Once the first stage is complete all four classes will move into the four newly developed classes while the second stage of the works are completed.

Pupils will not be affected by the works, although you will see containers in front of the building where the contactors will be housed during the project. We have already practiced a Fire Evacuation with year 4 pupils and it was a complete success.

The build will not affect where you collect your child from after school.

SHINE

This week the 'N' of our SHINE Curriculum (News) has been studied. The children have looked at News stories that link to our SHINE Curriculum.

FLU IMMUNISATIONS

Pupils across the school have had the opportunity to receive a flu vaccination this week.

KNIFE CRIME WORKSHOPS

This week, Year 6 pupils have continued participating in important workshops about knife crime. Using virtual reality headsets, they gained a powerful and immersive understanding of the devastating impact knife crime can have on individuals, families, and communities.

The adults leading the sessions said that they love coming into our school and that our year 6 children have been outstanding.



CHRISTMAS EVENTS

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Next week, some of our year six children will be selling raffle tickets to raise funds. We have lots of surprise festive treats up for grabs so make sure you don't miss out!

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Christmas lunch will be available for all pupils next Thursday (5th December). All children are welcome to enjoy a Christmas lunch. If your child wishes to participate they simply choose a lunch on the 5th in the morning when they arrive at class and £2 will be charged to your parent pay account. If your child is entitled to a free school meal your child can choose a meal but there will be no charge.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Christmas Jumper Day will take place in school next Friday (6th December). Pupils have the opportunity to wear a Christmas jumper for school or to add some Christmas accessories to their uniform.

COFFEE MORNING

Join us for Coffee Morning next Friday 6th December commencing at 9.15am. Pupils from across the school will provide the entertainment.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Due to the building work which is starting next week, we've had to make some changes to this year's Christmas Fair. The event will still take place, but on a smaller scale, exclusively for the children. Unfortunately, we won't be able to invite families into school this year. A separate letter with more detailed information will be emailed to you.

OTHER CHRISTMAS EVENTS

- 11th December Year 3 Nativity Performance for Parents (1.30pm)
- 12th December Year 3 Nativity Performance for parents (9.30am)
- 16th December Christmas Party Day
- 17th December Whole School to the Christmas Pantomime-Peter Pan
- 18th December Christmas Carol Event for Parents (2pm) in church
- 19th December End of Term Mass for the infant and junior children.

PLEASE NOTE THAT, DUE TO THE BUILDING WORK, WE HAVE UNFORTUNATELY FOUND IT NECESSARY TO CANCEL THE 'STAY AND PRAY' EVENT THAT WAS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON 9th DECEMBER

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
YEAR 3	Before School	Wake & Shake		Wake & Shake		
	Lunchtime	Construction, Games & Creative Art.	Construction, Games & Creative Art.	Construction, Games & Creative Art.	Construction, Games & Creative Art. Origami	
	After School		Choir Dodgeball			
YEAR 4	Before School					
	Lunchtime				Origami	
	After School		Choir	Dodgeball	Sewing Club	Rebound Football
YEAR 5	Before School			Bleep Test	Girls' Football	
	Lunchtime		Times Table club	Homework club	Origami	
	After School		LFC-Dodgeball Choir		STEM Club for girls	Rebound
YEAR 6	Before School		Bleep Test	Table Tennis	Girls' Football	Table Tennis
	Lunchtime	Chess Club	Table Tennis		Origami	

	After School		Choir Art Club Craft & Sewing Club	EFC - Dodgeball	Boys' Football Speech Choir	
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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

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-Group of pupils to EVOLVE event

4th Year Meeting of the Full Governing Body

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 tomorrow **Friday (29th November)**.

Loving, learning, growing together with Jesus



We're working towards Artsmark
Awarded by Arts Council England

