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'Living in the LIGHT of Christ'
'I am the Light' John 8:12



Newsletter

Tuesday 14th December 2021: Follow us on Twitter: @stjohnstmichael

Message from the Head:

Well, what a half term it has been. Our ethos theme for this half term has been generosity. Everyone in our school community has without doubt, demonstrated this value! From Children in Need to our Christmas Shoe Box Appeal, from the bottle and chocolate donations to non-uniform fund raisers. Thank you so much for all your support. If I do not speak to you before, have a wonderful Christmas.

Ethos & Values Logo:

We are delighted to share our Ethos and Values logo with you.
Our values are: *Love, Integrity, Generosity, Hope and Togetherness.*

Collective Worship:

In collective worship, we have been thinking about the birth of baby Jesus as we lead up to Christmas. Our EYFS and KS1 shared the Nativity story to the whole school during their dress rehearsal.



Christingle Service:

Thank you to all our families who attended our Christingle Service at church. We hope you enjoyed it. It was wonderful to come together for the first time in church. Thank you for your support.

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Christmas Fair:

Thank you so much for everyone who supported our Christmas Fair. I am delighted to inform you that we raised over £1000 for our school fund, which is just incredible. We hope you all enjoyed the fair, and I must thank all the staff and volunteers. Without them this event would not have been possible.



THANK YOU

We would like to thank the following people and businesses for their generous donations:

- Sylvia Innes, Bridy Mottram and Anne Hughes for helping the teachers set up for events and in the café.
- R. Cross Butchers for the turkey and the raffle voucher.
- Whitworth Baths
- Tesco
- Royal Court Theatre
- Shake That Tapaz
- W & A Abbott The Pet Shop Bacup
- Whitworth Co-op
- Shirley Davies
- The Butterfly Room
- WOW via Kimberley's family friend
- Lynn Challinor

Thank you so much for your help and support.



Christmas Nativity:

Well done to all our children who performed in our Nativity. I am sure you will agree they were all tremendous.

It was wonderful to welcome you back to watch the performance in the school hall and we hope you enjoyed it. Thank you for wearing facemasks and thank you complying with all our safety rules, we appreciated your efforts in keeping our whole community as safe as possible.

Thank you to all our parents who provided costumes and thank to all our dedicated team who worked tirelessly to put this performance on.





Goodbye Mr Lofthouse:

Mr Lofthouse has been with us since September, and he is training to become a teacher. He has been working with Class 4. We would like to congratulate him on a successful teaching placement. Good luck for the rest of your training and thank you for everything you have done here.

Parent Phonics Workshop:

Thank you to all our Class 2 parents who attended our Read Write Inc parent workshop. We hope you found it informative and useful.



Children in Need:

Well done to all our school community and to Class 2 for raising a wonderful £245.79
Brilliant!

Happy Retirement Mrs Mottram:

After working at our school for over 25 years, Mrs Mottram, our beloved Lunchtime Organiser, has taken the decision to retire at the end of this term. May I take this opportunity to thank Bridy for her remarkable service to our school, she will be missed by all, but after 25 years on our playground, she certainly deserves a rest. Congratulations on your retirement Bridy.

Message from Bridy:

‘I have loved my many years at this school. I have met some wonderful staff, and wonderful children over the years, and I will miss you all terribly. Thank you.’



Race for Life:

Well done to the whole school community for raising an incredible £1478.77 during your Race for Life fundraiser in July. The cheque has now been sent to the charity. What a fantastic achievement.



Christmas Shoe Box Appeal:

Thanks to your generosity, children across the developing world will have a gift to unwrap on Christmas morning. We sent 21 shoe boxes full of gifts, to children who we will never know, and never meet, yet there will be 21 smiles on Christmas day because of you. Thank you!



St John Facit Church 150th Anniversary

It was wonderful to have our children's work on display at our church, to celebrate the 150th anniversary. Well done to all the children who produced it and thank to all the staff and families who attended the service to mark this special occasion.



Christmas Jar Competition:

Congratulations to Cas in Class 3 for winning the Christmas Jar competition. Well done to all those children who took the time to create a jar and enter this competition. The fact that all the jars sold out at the Christmas Fair is testament to your creative abilities. Well done.



Vacancy:

We have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Organiser role. 1 hour per day, term time only. If you are interested, please email [Mr Rooney](mailto:rooneys@sjm.fa1.uk) for an application form. rooneys@sjm.fa1.uk Mr Rooney will be interviewing in the first week back after Christmas.