





#### St. William's Weekly News Round 20 October 2023

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#### **HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD**

'Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God'. Matthew 22: 15-22



In those times that Jesus lived the people had to pay taxes to the Roman Emperor, Caesar, for the improvements in the roads, the building and upkeep of the towns and while they didn't like paying the taxes – businesses flourished and the standard of living improved. In this weekend's Gospel reading the leaders of the temple try to trick Jesus into speaking against paying these taxes.

God isn't interested in money, because to Him money isn't what makes a person rich. What does make a person 'rich' is their honesty, goodness, understanding and love for God and one another. God pours His love into our lives and showers us with gifts. If we use those gifts and talents wisely and for the good of others, then we live lives that please God and, in that way, we can give back to God a little of the so much we have been given.

Loving Father,

Help us to share what we have received through your love and generosity,

Without counting the cost of following you. Grant this through Christ your Son. Amen.

Head Lice/Nits — Head lice and nits are very common in young children and their families. They do not have anything to do with dirty hair and are picked up by head-to-head contact. Treat head lice as soon as you spot them. You can treat head lice without seeing a GP. You should check everyone in the house and start treating anyone who has head lice on the same day. There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice. Lice and nits can be removed by wet combing. You can buy a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb) online or from pharmacies to remove head lice and nits. There may be instructions on the pack, but usually you:

wash hair with ordinary shampoo, apply lots of conditioner (any conditioner will do) comb the whole head of hair, from the roots to the ends, It usually takes about 10 minutes to comb short hair, and 20 to 30 minutes for long, frizzy or curly hair. Do wet combing on days 1, 5, 9 and 13 to catch any newly hatched head lice. Check again that everyone's hair is free of lice on day 17. If wet combing has not worked or is not suitable, you could try a medicated lotion or spray. These kill head lice in all types of hair, and you can buy them from pharmacies, supermarkets or online.

#### **Church News**

17th Nov at 4:30-5:15pm at St. Matthew's School. Attendance at all classes is essential for pupils to receive this holy sacrament. Thank you for your support.

## NOVEMBER MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE Poppy Appeal



Poppies will be available in school after the October break. All donations will go to the charity, The British Legion, which provides lifelong support to serving and ex-serving military personnel and their families. On 11th November we remember those who lost their lives serving in the armed services

in all conflicts; from the beginning of the First World War up to the present day. We give thanks for the freedom and peace we enjoy today and pray for those still suffering in war-torn countries.

#### **Homework Projects**

There have been some truly remarkable projects completed this half term, **WELL DONE** everyone!



**Oak Class** linked their projects to our Geography topic Climates.



**Beech Class** were asked to make a poster or piece of artwork which encourages people to act against causes of climate change.



**Lime Class** created fantastic homework projects all about rainforests.

**Holly Class** the children were asked to create a model of Ernest Shackleton's ship.

#### **BCWCAT Football Tournament**



Well done! Kayla, Win, Delvin, Enoch, Oliwia, Ethan, Hashim and Vania for taking part in the Blessed Christopher Wharton Trust Football Tournament that took place

yesterday at St. Bede's & St. Joseph's. Miss Shackel and Mrs Jansone accompanied the children and were impressed by their enthusiasm; you were great ambassadors for the school.



#### **Ash Class**

Ash Class really enjoyed performing to our parents at the end of the day. They performed in groups and made some wonderful music!



#### **Lime Class**

Lime Class had lots of fun making their own musical instruments and exploring the different sounds they



#### **Holly Class**

Holly have started their art morning with Mr. Bullock with an art hunt on Pop Art.



Holly Class answering a range of SATs style questions on Holes.



#### Harvest



We had a super Harvest Liturgy this week and a huge thank you for all your donations that will provide those less fortunate than ourselves with food. These donations will be

sent to St Patrick's Mission to support their work with the homeless and hungry people in Bradford. **THANK YOU!** 





**REMINDER - Flu Vaccination**Dear parent,

Your child is now eligible for their Flu vaccination, as part of the National Programme for Vaccination.

Please click the following link to complete an E-Consent form for your child to receive this vaccination:

www.bradfordschoolimmunisations.co.uk/forms/Flu

And this is the School code you will need: BF148102

The online consent form link will close 3 working days before your school's session date. (21st Nov)

Many Thanks School Immunisation Team

#### Weather



Please send your child/children prepared for our ever-changing weather conditions. Children must have a coat, preferably with a hood,

every day, and suitable outdoor shoes. All children must bring a water bottle to school, this will help keep them hydrated during the day. Please clearly mark your child(ren)'s uniform/P.E.kit with their name, this will help to eliminate lost items.

## Keeping Children Safe Contact details for parents/carers.

Please make sure that if you change your phone number you inform school staff. Following safeguarding recommendations, we need at least 2 accurate contact details in the event of an emergency; accidents do happen and there are times when we are not able to contact a parent because they have not kept us informed. Thank you.

Attendance and punctuality are a huge part of keeping children safe and it is the law for schools to know why and where children are if they are not in school: schools must report children absent from school, including parts of the day, not just absent days. As a result, systems for attendance are robust and all parents have a responsibility to inform school of their child's absence - make sure you TELEPHONE Mrs Gadd 1st thing in the morning if your child is absent. Home visits are part of our Attendance procedures to check and do not be alarmed if safeguarding staff appear at your door. As a parent you are committing an offence if you fail to make sure that your child attends regularly. The details of parents with children who have unauthorised absence (including those who have taken unauthorised leave during term time) will be passed to Bradford Council, who could consider issuing a Penalty Notice or starting legal action. When a child meets Educational Neglect threshold then a referral to Children's Social Care can be made.

Arriving on time is an essential life skill and for safeguarding reasons we must lock the school gates at 8:55am – if you are arriving at that time you will have to go to the main entrance. Equally, as a school we respect parents need children to be ready for home-time at 3:15pm to collect family members from other schools or colleges; we aim to be

ready to hand the children to you at that time at the end of the day and not delay you.

If in a school year, a child is late every day by	A child would have lost approximately	or they would have missed approximately
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

#### Late pick-up charges

There is a late collection charge £1, per child, for every 5 mins you are late; sadly, some parents have been persistently late and without good reason; taking the view that it is okay for school staff to take responsibility for children after the school day. Unfortunately, we do not offer childcare after 3:15pm and many staff finish at the same time the pupils leave. Congested traffic, a late taxi, forgetting the time, having a hair colour on at the hairdressers are not acceptable reasons to be late for your child. We are understanding, if there are exceptional reasons and it is not usual for you to be late and we appreciate a phone call from you if you are going to be late, it re-assures the child as well. After school teaching staff have meetings, work to do following the school day and in preparation for the next day. Thank you for your support with this.

Have you logged on to the National Online Safety webiste to help protect your child online?

https://nationalonlinesafety.com

Parents, PLEASE monitor what child(ren) use(s) and who they have contact with online; to ensure we keep children safe and protected when they are using the internet. Check out the tips and advice for parents to keep yourself in the know! Here are some useful websites for further information to keep children safe online:

https://www.onlinesafetyuk.com https://learning.nspcc.org.uk



More useful websites: https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk,

#### https://childnet.com, https://www.internetmatters.org

#### Congratulations...Bravo...Well done!!!



#### **Class teachers' Achievement Awards:**

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners: Aurelijus, Korneliusz, Gerald, Victoria, Ishioma, Kacper, Sarina, Kamsi, Vania and Suzanna.

#### **Hot Chocolate Friday:**

Aurelijus, Anthony, Marcella, Enoch, Anna, Rumaisah, Alan, Pawel, Faith and Elise.

#### Virtue Certificates this week:

Fabian, Mia, Fariya, Mario, Taiwo, Daniel, Kathrine, Eva, Enoch and Sofia.

#### **Golden Table Tuesday:**

Michael, Alexus, Emmanuel, Vivienne, Amaya

#### 'Golden Mention to our lunchtime stars'

Mia, Anthony, Fariya, Brodie, Monika, Anna, Eesah, Alan, Emilia and Kayla.

#### **Homework Projects**

Phoebe, Marcella, Amaan, Abubakar, Lochlan, Enoch, Jason, Pola, Michael, Lemuel, Fariya, Brodie, Hoorain, Chidubem, Muhammad, Victoria, Sylviane, Miracle, Jibrael, Kaima, Kenny, Taiwo, Zoe, Zidan, Isabella, Dennis, Lydia, Ishioma, King, Monika, William, Ramina, Kacper, Anna, Rumaisah, Daniel, Emmanuel, Oskar, Oracle, Claire, Jeremiah, Peace, Bella, Sebastian, Hadassah, Jeriel, Kamsi, Eesah, Darina, Pawel, Vivienne, Mia, Amelia, Kathrine, Danish, Sofia, Win, Ayra, Vania, Sofia, Kayla, Suzanna, Nicola, Shalom, Ife, Hashim, Faith, Oliwia, Ranaya, Delvin, Emilia, Megan, Esther and Ethan.

#### 100% Attendance (Autumn Term 1)

Dexter, Tymon, Destiny-Rae, Amelia, Michael, David, Adriana, Semilore, Anthony, Doretta, Victoria, Alexus-Marie, Gerald, Jason, Miracle, Abubakar, Abdul, Fariya, Jethro, Lemuel, Pola, Marcella, Muhammad, Claire, Daniel, Monika, Taiwo, Kenny, William, Emmanuel, Jeremiah, Zoe, King, Rumaisah, Isabella, Lidya, Ishioma, Peace, Bella, Sarina, Alan, Oliver, Happiness, Amelia, Jeffrey, Kamsi, Sofia, Hadassah, Danielle, Nicola, Fredrick, Amaya, Win, Ayra, Vania, Keyaan, Ethan, Esther, Ife, Shalom and Delvin



Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you, happy birthday dear

Pawel, Oliwia, Ralfs, Ishioma, Destiny-Rae Happy birthday to you! Hope you have a special day.

#### **Breakfast Club**



Breakfast Club opens every day at 8am,
50p per child per day. A lovely way to start the day! Please arrive before 8.30am - book in advance every Friday for a place the following week via a dojo message to Mrs Gadd,

Mrs Fagan, or Miss

#### Dates for your diary:

20/10	School Closes at 3.15pm and Re-
	Opens on Tuesday 31 October 2023

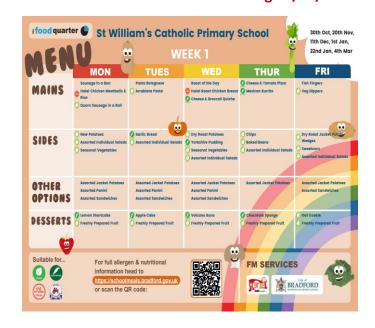
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#### P.E. Kits / Lessons

Please keep P.E. kits in school during term time, they will be sent home at the end of each term for washing.



#### **Lunch Menu – Week Commencing 31/10/23.**





# Don't forget clocks go back 1hr on Sunday 29 October 2023

Secondary School Applications for pupils in Y6.
Secondary School Applications to be completed by 31 October 2023 online.

If you require any help, please contact the school office to make an appointment.











Parent/Carer workshops from the Mental Health Champions Project (Part of Bradford Educational Psychology Team)

Bradford Educational Psychology Team offer free group workshops for parents and carers, via the Mental Health Champions project.

Parents and carers are eligible if they or a child/young person (up to age 18) in their care live in the Bradford area\*.

The theme for the next round of parent workshops is:

The Emotional Brain: From Tot to Teen.

Understanding and supporting your child's emotional development from infancy to adolescence.

This workshop will help parents/carers to understand:

- The different stages of brain development from birth to adulthood, andhow this links to emotional development.
- Different types of emotions, how children and young people might experience these
  at different stages of development, and what behaviours we might see as a result.
- How to support children and young people to understand their emotions and be able to express these in safe ways.



Please note that these are group events and we are unable to offer any individual advice during or following these sessions

The dates of the next round of sessions are

- Tues 5th December 2023 9.30-11am or
- Thurs 7th December 2023 1.30-2.30pm or

Participants need only attend one date as this is a single-session workshop, not a series of events.



All sessions are live and online, via Microsoft Teams

Please note: Sessions may be cancelled if minimum numbers are not met, and any parents/carers booked onto sessions that are cancelled will be offered an alternative wherever possible.

Booking details: To book can parents/carers please email MHChampions@Bradford.qov.uk We will ask for your preferred date, the name of the school your child/young person attends, and ask you to confirm that you are a Bradford resident\*.

Once your place has been confirmed, login details and passwords will be sent nearer the time.

\*Please note that we are commissioned to provide this service to families who live in the Bradford area only. If you child attends a Bradford school but you live outside the area, please contact us before attempting to book a place.





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### Reception Open Day







At St. William's we have a nurturing environment where children will experience the joy of discovery, solving problems, being creative and developing self-confidence.

We would like to invite you to have a look around on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 9.30–10.30am and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2.00-2.30pm

If you cannot attend one of these sessions, please call the school office and we will rearrange a time that suits you.

For further information please call or email the school office: 01274 545743 or office@wilbcwcat.co.uk













#### 2023/2024 Academic Year Holiday's

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Have a lovely week off,
See you all on
Tuesday 31 October 2023
at 8.45am.



Remember, it's COOL to be in SCHOOL!