



Holy Family School Newsletter - 9

Friday 10th November 2023

With Christ at the centre, we live, love and learn together, reaching out to all. Together, with Jesus, we can do it!



'Only the best is good enough'

LIVE SIMPLY AWARD

We are excited to share that we have signed up to the CAFOD Live Simply award, where we will be responding to

Pope Francis' invitation to

"work with generosity and tenderness in protecting this world which God has entrusted to us".

The Live Simply award is a scheme for communities and schools who can show how they have been living:

Simply - how we encourage our community to consume less in our daily lives. Taking the time to be more reflective, prayerful and considerate to others.

In solidarity with the poor- being aware that other people might be experiencing difficulties, vulnerabilities, injustice or exclusion. Sustainably with creation- learning ways that can help rebalance our relationship with the environment. We already do so much as a school to fulfil these objectives, but this year we have planned some special events which we will have a positive impact upon our global, local and school communities.



LIVE SIMPLY - CHRISTMAS JUMPER, WINTER COAT AND TOY SALE - 1ST DECEMBER 2023

We invite all families to join us for a pre loved Christmas Jumper, Toy, and Winter Coat Swap as part of our live sustainably initiative for Live Simply.

This is not only an opportunity to embrace the spirit of giving and sharing, but also a fantastic way to promote sustainability.

In the week beginning **Monday 27th November**, please bring any used Christmas jumpers, toys, or winter coats in good condition that your family no longer needs to give to our donation station.

Then on Friday 1st December, you are invited after school to take any item/s from our donation station. We would ask that you make a small donation to the collection for what you take. All money will be donated to Shelter, a homeless charity who urgently need help this winter. Let's come together as a community to recycle, reduce waste and help the environment, whilst helping some of the most vulnerable in our community.

ATTENDANCE NEWS

The race continues for our Pizza Party competition for attendance. Remember any class that gets 100% receives 2 green marks that week!!

Attendance for this week from the 6th to 10th November is as follows: Come on children make sure your class gets in the green zone for your Pizza Party!!

Green - 97%+, **Yellow** - 94%+, **Red** - 93.9% & below

Class	% score	Rating	Total amount of green won this term
Year 6	93%	Red	4
Year 5D	99%	Green	2
Year 5Mc	97%	Green	9
Year 4	99%	Green	6
Year 3/4	97%	Green	6
Year 3	97%	Green	13
Year 2	100%	Green	13
Year 1/2	98%	Green	11
Year 1	98%	Green	6
Rec K	98%	Green	4
Rec M	100%	Green	8

PARENTS EVENING

Just a reminder that Parents Evening for all classes - Nursery to Year 6 will take place across two evenings next week on Wednesday 15th November 2023 and Thursday 16th November 2023 from 3:20pm till 6:20pm. Don't forget to book your time using the Parent App.

Please note that there will be no after school clubs taking place on Wednesday 15th November 2023 and Thursday 16th November 2023.

PTA SCHOOL LOTTERY

Just a reminder that the PTA run a weekly school lottery. You can play the lottery by clicking on the following link.

<https://t.co/L99nEwjy42>

Your School Lottery is an exciting weekly lottery that raises money for schools in the UK. All schools supported by the lottery will benefit the UK and its residents. Tickets for the lottery cost just £1 per week, with a top prize of £25,000! Each ticket will consist of 6 numbers and each number will be between 0 and 9. There will be a draw every Saturday night when a 6 digit winning combination will be picked. Match all 6 and you win the JACKPOT!

There is also a guaranteed winner for each school every Saturday which is drawn on a raffle basis, so there are two chances to win a prize.

The lottery and its prizes are their way of putting the fun in fundraising. The real winners are the schools. From every £1 ticket sold 40p will go to schools in the UK such as ours!

LOST PROPERTY

All items except the shoes were collected from our previous newsletter so it was great to locate the owners. This week we have two size 28 jumpers **with no names on them!!** Come on parents - we need you to label all children's clothing so we can pass back to the children.

The pair of shoes are size 10.5 from Clarks. Surely someone owns these shoes.



SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting for the School Council members will be 16th Nov at 8:30am. The Council are currently meeting with reps from our PTA to discuss funding projects they would like in school this year. Mr Quigley will also join this meeting too.

CHILDREN IN NEED - 17th NOV 2023

The children in Yr 4 class will be having their assembly next Friday on Children in Need followed by our Superstar assembly with their parents. All children across the school can accessorise their uniform with spots or Children in Need merchandise if they want to as in previous years.

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS



This morning, we revealed the results of our first 'Battle of the Bands' competition.

The winners were:

Year 4 v Year 5D = **Year 5D**

Year 5Mc v Year 3 = **Year 5Mc**

Year 6 v Year 2 v Year 3/4 = **Year 3/4**

Year 1/2 v Year 1 = **Year 1/2**

The new fixtures are:

Year 5M v Year 5D

Year 6 v Year 2 v Year 4

Year 1 v Year 3

Year 3/4 v Year 1/2

To take part, children need to log in to their TTRockstars account at home and answer as many questions as possible, in any game type. The competition will run over the half term until 7pm on Thursday 16th November 2023 and the winning class will receive extra play!

*** ANSWER AS MANY QUESTIONS AS POSSIBLE *
PLAY IN ANY GAME TYPE * THE WINNING CLASS WILL HAVE
THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CORRECT ANSWERS PER PUP**

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK.

Next week is Anti-Bullying week. This year's theme is "Make a noise about Bullying", which is encouraging children to speak out and speak up when they witness or experience bullying.

Throughout the week children will take part in activities in class with Mrs Reeves or Mrs Powell.

Some children have asked us today if we could take part in Odd Socks Day this Monday 13th November 2023. Therefore, we are asking children to wear odd socks if they want alongside their school uniform on Monday to mark the start of Anti-Bullying week.

