



St Patrick's Catholic Primary Academy
Newsletter 26.09.25

Word of the Week - Work



This week's word of the week: Work

Work teaches us responsibility and discipline and can be a source of satisfaction and fulfilment. We should respect the dignity of labour and the value of all those who work around the world in service of others. Work is a gift from God, a way to participate in his creative activity. Its not just about earning a living, but about using our talents and skills to contribute to the world.

Mission: Make an effort to do your work this week to the best of your ability and to help other with their work too.

On Monday, the whole school were led in celebration of the word by Mrs Pugh and Miss Matthews. During the week, children were set the mission of recognising times when they have been proud of the work they have done.

Today, as part of the season of creation. Our Y5 pupils planned and led a prayer retreat. Each child was able to visit a range of prayer stations which linked scripture about creation to how we can be stewards and look at the world God created.

A big thank you to Miss Brunskill and Y5 for their hard work and dedication in preparing this for the rest of the school.

School Calendar

Please follow the link for school events

Events coming up in the next few weeks:

Events for Advent term 1

Week beginning 29th September - WOW - Prudence

Tuesday 30th September - Mass @9am (Our lady of Lourdes leading)

Thursday 1st October - Beginning of Black History Month

Friday 3rd October - CAFOD Family Fast day and Harvest assembly (9am)

Week beginning 6th October - WOW - Rosary

Friday 10th Sept - Harvest Crafts EYFS (8:30 am)

Week beginning 13th October - WOW - Inclusion

Tuesday 14th September - Mass @9am (St Therese of Lisieux to lead)

Wednesday 15th October - Parents evening

Friday 17th October - Inset Day

Break up for half term 16th October

Return to school 3rd November

Events for Advent term 2

Week beginning 3rd November - WOW - Counsel

Thursday 6th November - Celebration of RE Assembly (Y4,Y5 and Y6) @2.30pm

Friday 7th November - Celebration of RE Assembly (Y1,Y2 and Y3) @9am

Week beginning 10th November - WOW - Remembrance

Tuesday 11th November - Mass @9am (Oscar Romero to lead)

Friday 14th November - Odd Socks Day for Anti Bullying Week

Week beginning 17th November - WOW - Youth

Friday 21st November - Closing Event for Jubilee Year (Pupils only event)

Week beginning 24th November - WOW - Kingdom

Week beginning 1st December - WOW - Hope

Monday 1st December - Celebration of the Word (Year 1 and Year 2) @9am

Tuesday 2nd December - Mass @9am (Y3/4 to lead)

Week beginning 8th December - WOW - Peace

Monday 8th December - Celebration of the Word (Year 3 and Year 4) @9am

Thursday 11th December - Christmas Jumper day, Christmas dinner and mini market @2.15pm

Week beginning 15th December - WOW - Joy

Monday 15th December - Celebration of the word (Year 5 and Year 6) @9am

Tuesday 16th December - Mass @9am (Whole school to lead)

Tuesday 16th December - Nativity led by F2, Year 1 and Year 2 (2:15 pm)

Wednesday 17th December - Nativity led by F2, Year 1 and Year 2 (9am)

Thursday 18th December - Nursery Rhyme Nativity (9am)

Friday 19th December - Carol Concert (9am)

Break up for the Christmas Holidays 19th December

Attendance

We were delighted with the overall attendance and punctuality rates from the last academic year. Please can we continue to make every effort with your child's attendance. We understand that there are times when your child is too unwell to attend school. We will also contact you should your child be unwell in school. Please find attached

In line with the Trust's attendance policy, please note that requests for holidays in school time will not be granted unless for exceptional reasons.

Public Health Agency gives the following advice for self-care for minor illness:

The following illnesses can be managed safely with self-care and do not require to see a GP routinely.

The links below offer clinically approved information on how to recognise them.

- Conjunctivitis: www.nhs.uk/conditions/conjunctivitis
- Hand, foot and mouth disease: www.nhs.uk/conditions/hand-foot-mouth-disease
- Chickenpox: www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox
- Common cold: www.nhs.uk/conditions/common-cold

Please also see the information sheet giving advice on minor illnesses from Public Health Agency.

Please note that staff are only able to administer medication that is prescribed 4 times a day.



Extra Curricula Activities

Please sign up for extra curricula activities via the school shop on Arbor.

This half term we have football on a Monday for Y2-Y6. Collection will be at 4.20pm

Home school Agreement

Please see the below link for the trust home school agreement.

[Home school agreement](#)

Please talk to your child about this and then complete the consent form on Arbor. We would like to bring to your attention a particular aspect of the home school agreement which is the use of social media.

[Book Bus](#)



Yesterday, we welcomed the book bus St Patrick's. It was wonderful to see the children so enthusiastic about looking at the books. We would like to say a big thank you for your commitment to reading. Due to the generous amount of books bought, St Patrick's was able to spend £150 on books for school.

[Parents evening](#)

Our parents evening is scheduled for Wednesday 15th October between 3.30pm and 6pm.

Appointments will be available to book via Arbor from Monday 30th September at 4pm

[PTA](#)

The first PTA meeting of the year will take place on Wednesday 1st October at 2.15pm. All are welcome to join.

Please know that we operate an open door policy and place the highest priority on our home-school partnership. Please feel encouraged to contact school via phone from 8am-4pm or via email which has a 48 hour working day turnaround response.

In partnership and prayer

Mrs J L Smedley