



Loving minds ♥ Hearts ♥ Hands

Weekly Newsletter

Class Mass



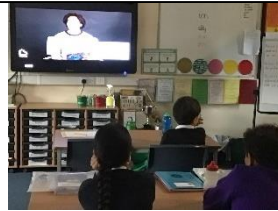
Year 6 celebrated Mass in the school chapel this morning with Fr. Peter Tierney. The theme of the mass was unconditional love and the children reflected on what this means, who they show it to and how they show it.

Sacramental Programme



On Wednesday 20th October at 3:30pm, there is a Sacramental Programme Meeting in the school hall. This meeting is for parents of children who will be doing their Sacramental Programme this academic year. It is vital that all parents attend so that they can enrol their child.

Virtual Author



Year 5 and 6 enjoyed a workshop by Joseph Coelho as part of our Black History Month learning. They loved hearing ideas for their own stories and poems. They are looking forward to reading more of Happy Here.

Friday 15th October 2021

This week's ACE awards

	A	C	E
E	Albert	Pearl	Harlie
Y	Emery	Isla	Eli
1	Johnathan	Geovanny	Rueben
2	Nancy	Freya	Allen
3	Robyn	Amelia-Grace	Madox
4	Monae	Loui	Joshua
5	Aysha	Amelia	Jacob
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A = Achievement
C = Commitment
E = Effort



Class Workshops



This week, each class has taken part in SCARF (Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship) workshops. The children completed a range of fun activities and discussed physical and mental well-being.

Good to be Green



These children enjoyed a special lunch at the top table with Mrs Vayro. Why? They have excellent green cards which include, reading every night, home learning complete, PE kits in, excellent maths and spellings scores and superb behaviour.

Rugby Final



It was great to see and hear so many families from St. Ambrose at the rugby league final at Old Trafford last Saturday. We hope you had a wonderful evening, watching a major sporting event and that you enjoyed the tickets shared via school.

Attendance Matters

Class	Percentage Attendance
EYFS	89.89%
Year 1	95.3%
Year 2	86.4%
Year 3	96.7%
Year 4	92.3%
Year 5	86.7%
Year 6	85.3%

Well done to **Year 3** who had the best attendance this week. **Year 2, 4 & 5** won the punctuality award with zero minutes late.

Eat for Need and Not for Greed winner:

Year 4

Happy Birthday this week to **Kai & Ava-Rose**

Individual House point Winners for this week

Housepoints	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
St. Matthew	Alicja	Charlie	Gideon	Charlotte	Maddison	Ruqiyah
St. Mark	Charlotte	Nikaiya	Renae	Raphael	Nifemi	Derrick
St. Luke	Ariah	Alfie	Adam	Amelia-Grace	Cian	T'Maya
St. John	Isla	Caelan	Freya	Aleen	Kanye	Mohammad

Well done to this week's winning house is which was **St. Matthew**



Attendance Matters

Get your child to school EVERY DAY

There is a link between good school attendance and high level attainment. Regardless of the reason, if your child is absent from school it will impact on their learning. Parents/carers are legally responsible for ensuring their child attends school on time every day.

Medical Appointments



Where possible all appointments should be booked outside of school hours. Where this is not possible the amount of time off school should be kept to a minimum and your child should return to school as soon as the appointment is completed. School may not authorise time off school if evidence of the appointment is not provided.

Too ill for school?



Children can attend school with minor ailments such as stomach ache, toothache, a cold, sore throat, headache etc.

School will contact you if your child becomes too ill to remain at school. Children should be off school for 24 hours if they have diarrhoea or vomiting.

Holidays in Term Time



Children are not entitled to holidays in term time. Family holidays should be taken during school holiday periods.

Requests for leave due to exceptional circumstances preventing the period of leave being taken during school holidays must be made in writing using a Leave of Absence Request form, which is available from the school office. Fines of £120 per parent/carer may be issued where unauthorised leave had been taken during term time.

Absence during Term Time

Children must not be absent for:
Day Trips, Birthdays,
Shopping, Hair Cuts, Parent/Sibling illness

Reporting an Absence



It is your responsibility to notify school if your child is absent. A reason must be provided on each day of absence. Unreported absences may result in a home visit from a member of the school leadership team.

If your child is off school for more than 3 days or where there are repeated absences due to reported illness, you will need to provide medical evidence. This will usually be in the form of a prescription, a medical certificate or

Persistent Absence

Our target for attendance is **98%**. Any child falling below this will be closely monitored. Any child with attendance below **90%** regardless of the reason for the absence is considered to be a persistent absentee. This equates to just 2 days absent each month.

Over a five-year period, a child whose attendance is at 90%, will miss half of a school year; that is a lot of lost learning! Persistent absence will be monitored weekly; parents will be invited to attend an attendance review meeting with Mrs Vayro if no improvement is made.

Punctuality



It is important that your child attends school every day and on time. Children should arrive at 8:45am ready for learning.



Rewards

Children with 100% attendance each month will receive a frozen treat at the end of the month. Classes with one full week of 100% attendance will enjoy a non-uniform day the following Friday. The class with the best attendance at the end of each term will receive a Pizza Party! The children with the best attendance at the end of each term will be able to spend time with Bernard and Beryl taking them for a walk and playing with them in the calm area. At the end of the year the class with the best attendance will go on a trip to the beach with Mrs Vayro, Bernard and Beryl.

There are **190** days in a school year which leaves **175** days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.



Loving Our Learning

The children and teachers are very proud of the learning that has been happening within school this week. To see more pictures, visit our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages.



Early Years loved identifying different environmental sounds.



Year 1 loved exploring their outside learning space.



Year 2 loved meditating over God's wonderful creations.



Year 3 loved learning about physical and mental wellbeing in a workshop.



Year 4 loved doing role play as part of their English lesson.



Year 5 loved following a set of instructions to make homemade sherbert.



Bernard waving goodbye to another wonderful week at St. Ambrose.



Year 6 loved learning about pulse rates in science.



Beryl, Barty and Bernard demonstrating that they can follow instructions.