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**Friday 17th November 2023**

**Dear Children, Parents and Carers,**

### **World Kindness Day and Anti-Bullying Week**

This week pupils across the school have been reflecting upon and taking part in National Anti-Bullying Week, with the focus theme being; 'Make a Noise'

On Monday, we celebrated World Kindness Day with pupils reflecting upon the text 'The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse'. This beautiful tale was used to promote the importance of kindness, respect and friendship. We continue to do all that we can as a school community to live out the Gospel Teachings and values in our actions towards one-another.



### **Growing our Virtues**

In classrooms and across the school this half-term, we are growing to be **intentional** in the way that we live and use the resources of the earth, guided by our conscience; We will be **prophetic** in the example that we set to others being examples of Christ through our actions. At St Margaret Mary's we will help our children to grow by being a community which is **intentional** in our way of proceeding to build-up quality of life; and which is **prophetic** in the way we offer a vision of education and a focus on the human person, rooted in the Gospel teachings.



Some of our wonderful work ...

In Nursery the colour of the week is YELLOW ... We have been on lots of colour hunts to see what we can find ...



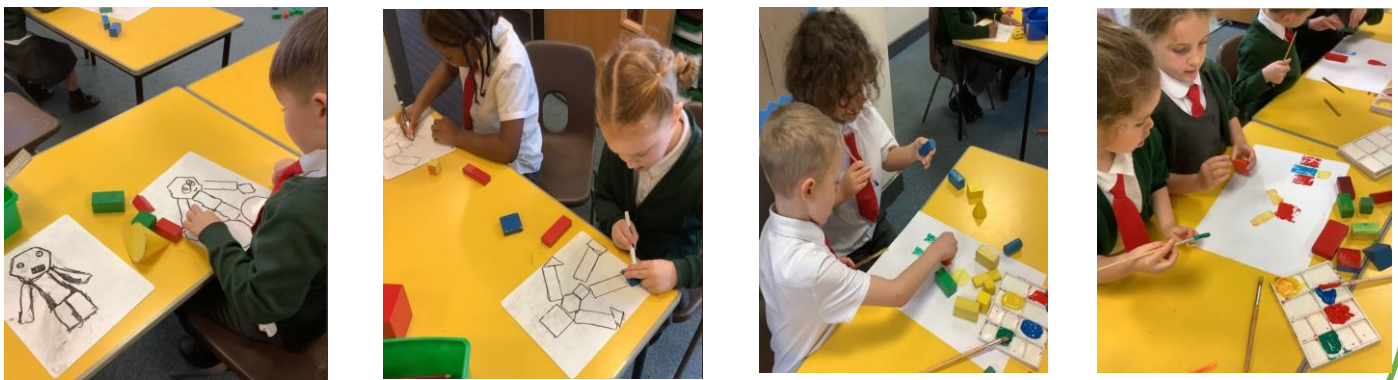
Reception loved acting out the story of The Gingerbread Man ...



Y1/2 worked in pairs to compose 4 beat rhythms in music ...



Year 1T are using 3D shapes to design and create their own robots ...





Some of our wonderful work ...

Year 3-4 enjoyed working with Chef Dennis to learn how to cut and peel different fruits and vegetables ...



6G are taking part in a live lesson by the BBC and the Anti-Bullying Alliance to mark Anti-Bullying Week. We are learning to identify bullying behaviour and how to feel empowered and speak up against ...



Year 5 have been practicing different types of rolls in gymnastics ...



6G have really enjoyed sharing the text Wonder by R.J. Palacio in guided reading lessons...



## Attendance

1T are this week's "Class Attendance Winners" with an excellent 100% attendance closely followed by NurW with 97.6%!

<b>NurW</b> <b>97.6%</b>	<b>Nur/RecW</b> <b>91.4%</b>	<b>RecK</b> <b>96.8%</b>	<b>1T</b> <b>100%</b>	<b>1/2M</b> <b>92.1%</b>	<b>2M</b> <b>96.7%</b>
<b>3S</b> <b>95.7%</b>	<b>3/4D</b> <b>95.9%</b>	<b>4C</b> <b>95.5%</b>	<b>5C</b> <b>97.3%</b>	<b>5J</b> <b>96.8%</b>	<b>6G</b> <b>93.6%</b>
<b>6W</b> <b>93.9%</b>					

When one class wins the "Class Attendance Winners" twice during a half-term they will receive a special reward.

**Who will be next week's "Class Attendance Winners" ... see next week's school newsletter!**





**STARS OF THE WEEK**

<b>Rec: Eloise</b>	<b>Y1/2M: Heavenly</b>	<b>Y3-4D: Henry</b>	<b>Y5J: Joshua H</b>
<b>Rec: Victoria</b>	<b>Y2M: Tristan</b>	<b>Y4C: Mason</b>	<b>Y6G: India</b>
<b>Y1T: Bobby</b>	<b>Y3S: Israel</b>	<b>Y5C: Aerysa</b>	<b>Y6W: Celine</b>



Watch this space for when our next stars will be announced ...



<b>Year 3</b> <b>Siobhan</b>	<b>Year 4</b> <b>Bonita</b> <b>Ollie P</b>	<b>Year 5</b> <b>Grace</b> <b>David</b>	<b>Year 6</b> <b>Feranmi</b> <b>Ruby</b>
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## Important Dates



As mentioned in last week's newsletter please see the finalised dates and times for our Christmas Performances and celebrations.

Due to the kitchen rebuild work taking place all events will be held in the Parish Centre, adjacent to the staff car-park and St Margaret Mary's Church. We will be writing to you next week with further information regarding tickets etc...

**Please see confirmed dates and times below:~**

Friday 8th December 2023	School Christmas Jumper Day for a donation
Monday 11th December 2023	KS1 Christmas Performances (10 am & 4:30 pm]
Tuesday 12th December 2023	EYFS Christmas Performance ~ Nursery (10.00 a.m.)
Tuesday 12th December 2023	EYFS Christmas Performance ~ Reception (2.00 p.m.)
Wednesday 13th December 2023	School Christmas Dinner
Saturday 16th December 2023	"Breakfast with Santa" (Organised by the Friends of St Margaret Mary's 9.00 ~ 10.30 a.m.)
Monday 18th December 2023	KS2 Christmas Carols (10 am & 4:30 pm]
Wednesday 20th December 2023	School closes at 1.00 p.m. for the Christmas holidays
Monday 8th January 2024	School opens after Christmas holidays

Once again many thanks for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend.

Take care and God Bless!

Mr Sutton



*"The Rosary is the most beautiful and the most rich in graces of all prayers." - Pope Saint Pius X*