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Welcome back from what I hope was a restful half-term break.



The Golden Rule

"I say to you who hear: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also;"

Luke 6:27-38

On Sunday, we listened to Luke's Gospel setting out Jesus' vision for how His disciples were to live their lives and in turn how we are asked to live our lives as followers of Him. We recognise that to live according to the Golden Rule and Jesus' vision is an extremely difficult one and is very much at odds with the world that we live in. The problem that Jesus' first followers found with this teaching is one that we too still struggle with today, regardless of the many advancements that have taken place in other aspects of our modern lives. We do and can take inspiration from Dr Martin Luther King, who managed to live and follow the Golden Rule, in the face of extreme hatred and adversity.

To truly live out Jesus' vision is to change how we behave and view one another. We are asked to show compassion and understanding to all. It is to treat everyone, as we would like to be treated and to do so with compassion. We look to Jesus' example of love and forgiveness to all, through His death on the cross and His resurrection. As always, we ask for God's help and strength in following the Golden Rule.

Online Safety

A reminder below of the really useful resource that you can use to support and protect your child at home.

“Five Tips for Teaching Students How to Research and Filter Information.” <https://www.kathleenamorris.com/2018/02/23/research-filter/>



Emmaus Trust Update

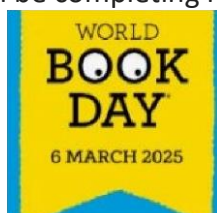
As we begin this new half-term I would like to provide you with the following update to previous correspondence and earlier consultations. As you are aware, we are on track to convert to Academy Status on the 1st April and join the Emmaus Catholic Academy Trust. In doing so we will join a number of other local Catholic schools and be joined by many others in the future months.

School, along with Governors, the Diocese of Salford, Manchester Local Authority and the DfE, are working towards final deadlines and steps to ensure that this happens. A reminder that there are no fundamental changes taking place and no changes to how we operate as a school because of this. We will keep you updated as we approach this date and keep our fingers crossed that everything continues to go to plan.



World Book Day

A reminder that, in celebration of World Book Day, which takes place on Thursday 6th March, this year we are looking at the theme of 'hair' as part of our unique identity, and as such inviting pupils and staff to celebrate this. This is linked to a whole school focus upon 'seeing ourselves' in society and particularly seeing how we are represented in books. We believe this provides pupils with an inclusive option of celebrating their uniqueness and individuality. Pupils are able to wear their hair differently for next Thursday's World Book Day, wear a wig or/and wear hair accessories, as long as this is respectful. We do ask that hair is styled in a manner that is easily reverted, in-line with school policy and guidance. A reminder that in addition to this, we also welcome pupils dressing as a book character, but want to stress that this is optional. We look forward to sharing with you all the wonderful literature based activities pupils will be completing next week.



After-School Clubs

A reminder that our after-school clubs will begin on Monday 3rd March and will run until Thursday 10th April 2025.

All clubs finish at 4.00 p.m.



Y6 Parent Meeting and Booster Classes

Thank you to all Y6 Parents who were able to attend Wednesday's Meeting regarding the Y6 Residential Visit to the Lake District and SATs Preparations during this half-term. All information shared at the meeting will be emailed to parents this evening. Alongside this, we ask you to indicate if your child will be collected from school at 4pm or you give permission for them to walk home at 4pm.

A reminder that Y6 SATs Booster Clubs begin next week and will run on Monday, Wednesday and Thursdays finishing at 4pm.



Look at our great work!

wonderful writing

EYFS have enjoyed today's sunshine with some den making.



Children from Year 1/2 have been exploring halving and doubling practically.



The children in 2M are developing their throwing and catching skills as part of our striking and fielding topic.



In 4C we were exploring yes and no questions. We learnt that this is what a 'branching database' is and that they are made up of questions with yes and no answers.



Year 5J enjoyed using their micro bits in computing to create their own name tags.





Well done to this week's 'Stars of the Week' ...



**Faith-filled and
hopeful ...**



Well done to all of our pupils who demonstrated our school virtues – 'faith-filled and hopeful' this week...





Congratulations to our Times Table Rock Stars this week! Keep up the good work!



Congratulations to our "Rollama" SPAG winners this week! Keep up the excellent work!



**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Rec K are this week's class attendance winners with a fantastic 100% attendance!

Nur W 95.9%	Nur/RecW 92%	RecK 100%	1T 94.5%	1/2H 95.2%	2M 94.3%
3S 98.8%	3/4D 99.7%	4C 98%	5C 98.6%	5J 97.8%	6G 99.5%
6W 95.5%					

Dates to remember

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day

W/C 10th March - Great British Science Week

Wednesday 16th April – School closes for Easter

Monday 28th April – School reopens at 8.45am

IMPORTANT
dates to remember

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Take care and God bless!

Mr. Sutton

Headteacher

