



Newsletter

Friday 5th November 2021

Enjoying and excelling in the presence of God

Safeguarding

In assembly today, we reminded children about keeping themselves safe on Bonfire Night. Would parents mind asking the children to recap the **SAFTEY** message from today's assembly.

Covid-19

We have had a rise in Covid-19 cases within the school community. We are encouraging children to continue their handwashing and sanitising throughout the school day. Could we please ask parents/carers that if a child displays any symptoms of Covid-19, they get a PCR test before sending them into school.

RE

Different classes have been celebrating Mass on a Wednesday morning with Father Shaun in Church. Father Shaun was delighted with the behaviour, the reverence and the interest the children show during this time. As part of their RE learning in school, Year 1 visited Church and attended Mass. The children saw at first-hand lots of the signs and symbols we use in Church.

Father was in school on Wednesday night giving our current Year 5 children the Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession). This was a lovely, quiet, peaceful time in school and something the children will remember. For the next five Saturdays during 5.30pm Mass at St Anthony's, groups of Year 5 children will make their First Holy Communion. These children have been working hard after school on Wednesdays completing their First Holy Communion programme.

Geography Block

Children have started their Geography block of learning in school this week. Please ask them about their learning and the activities they have been doing in class. The children will be learning about their local community and the wider world.

Pantomime

We hope to attend Customs House Theatre as a whole school on **Wednesday 15th December**, to watch the production of Rapunzel. Once we have received confirmation that the production can go ahead for schools in line with Covid-19 regulations, we will send information out to parents/carers in regards to cost and timings. What we are finding is transport for all school trips is very expensive but we are working to find the best deal.

Inset day

School will be closed for all pupils on **Friday 26th November** for a staff inset day.

School Start Times

Can we just remind parents that the green gate on the yard is planned to close at 8.50am. The children need to be in school before then; any child arriving after this time is late and needs to come into school via the school office with a parent.

Monday 15th November

Week commencing 15th November is Anti-Bullying Week. We have planned to do different activities throughout the week in school around this theme. This includes going over some of the Anti-Bullying procedures in our policy. On Monday 15th, we will begin Anti-bullying week by asking all of the children to come into school wearing odd socks. We will remind parents nearer the time.