

The Friday Message Volume 7 - Friday 20th October 2023 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Reception

This week in RE we reinforced the understanding of Care and love for self, family, and others. Pupils brought to school pictures of their own family, and they shared them with their peers. We spoke about the importance of belonging and we discussed different way that we could look after each other's. Children had the opportunity to draw their own house and their family.

We also compared our school with a family and talked about Baptism, as Welcoming pupils to our Catholic family.

Year 2

During RE this week, Year 2 started their new unit - 'Baptism' During our first lesson, we explored the variety of signs that are in our environment and how they help us. We then went on to discuss the important meaning behind symbols. We finished the week by reviewing the Sacrament of Baptism. We showed great recall of this information and cannot wait to deepen our knowledge throughout the unit of work.

Year 4

This week in RE, Year 4 have begun their new topic: Trust in God. The first lesson involved looking at different scenarios in which Christians may need to find strength in God to move forwards. To celebrate this, the children wrote prayers to thank God for His guidance as they embarked upon their journey at STJHN. The second lesson this week looked at the story of Jonah. The pupils worked together to produce a series of questions which unpicked and explored Jonah's strength in God. Well done Year 4!!

Year 6

In RE this week, we have started looking at Justice. We explored what justice and injustice meant and explored examples, looking at both smaller acts such as behaviour in a classroom effecting other children, to much larger acts such as Martin Luther King Jr fighting for equal rights for black people. We discussed how injustice makes us feel, and why it is important to stand up for justice and fairness.

Year 1

In RE this week, we have started our new unit all about Families. We started the week by thinking about families, who was in a family, who we considered family and how our families loved and cared for each other. We drew pictures of our families and then discussed similarities and differences with our friends. Later in the week we thought about our extended church family and took part in some role play showing how we can care for each other.

Year 3

In RE this week year 3 have started their new topic on baptism. This week we have thought about the family we belong to and how we can help our family. We have linked our understanding of family to our own family and The Hoy Family. We have discussed the things that we do with our own families and looked at a range of scenarios and discussed how we would respond to these. We have read an account of Mary and Joseph taking Jesus to the temple in Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. We discussed why Mary and Joseph thought Jesus was lost and then finding him in the temple.

Year 5

This week we started our new area of focus: Inspirational People. Introducing the unit, we thought of people who inspire us and what that means. Going through examples of inspiring people that we know such as famous footballers, family members, world leaders etc, we listed what makes them inspirational. We quickly realised the inspiration can lead to us making better decisions about ourselves through the example of others. We read some scripture about the adoration of Jesus and how was an inspiration to His disciples. Through our class discussion, we explored how Jesus can be an inspiration to us all.

Monthly Gospel Value Our Gospel Vale we are exploring is Trust

How many words can you write down about 'Trust'?