



# St John Henry Newman Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter

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15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

We have had an exciting week at school, packed with achievements and fun activities. Firstly, a massive well done to our Year 6 students for their incredible production. The performance was a hit, and we could not be prouder of their hard work and talent. On top of that, we are please, share the fantastic SATs results from Year 6. Their dedication and effort really paid off, and it is a testament to the wonderful support from our teachers and parents. Well done, everyone! Meanwhile, Year 5 have been enjoying some energetic cricket lessons. The enthusiasm and sportsmanship on display have been fantastic. Have a great weekend everyone!

**Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss.**

Mr Cooper  
Headteacher

### **Attendance**

We have had an excellent week with our attendance, with four classes having 99%+ attendance. Our overall school attendance this week was a pleasing 97.2% Our school target this year is 97%, so let us keep working hard with our school attendance over the final few weeks.

### **SuperStan!**

Our amazing Year 6 students wowed us all with their fantastic production of "Superstan" this week! The hall was buzzing with excitement as our young actors brought the superhero tale to life with incredible energy and talent. Every student gave their all, making all the performances ones to remember. A big thank you to Miss Wardill for all her hard work in preparing the children to the show. Bravo, Year 6—you truly are superstars!



### **Reception Learning (Attenborough and Luther-King)**

It has been a few weeks since we planted our bean seeds and we have been using microscopes to observe how they have been growing. We were excited to see both shoots and roots when we put our seeds underneath the lenses! Afterwards, we made observational drawings to record what we could see and some of us even labelled the various parts we recognised.



### **Year 1 Learning (Armstrong and Chanel)**

This week, Year 1 have been learning all things CLOCKS! We have been working hard to use the vocabulary 'hour hand' and 'minute hand' when describing where they need to be pointing. The children have been working hard to tell the time using 'o clock' and have been practising 'half past'.

### **Year 2 Learning (Hamilton)**

In Design and Technology this week, we designed and made our own 'Moving Monsters'. We used strips of card and split pins to create our monsters and had so much fun testing their movement to see if they worked! After this we evaluated our creations and discussed what we liked but also what we would change for next time.



### **Year 3 Learning (Yousafzai)**

This week year 3 have interpreted and drew pictograms and bar charts within maths lessons. The class enjoyed finishing the book Lucy's blue day, they enjoyed learning about all the different emotions she experienced in her diary. In writing we wrote a diary about an event of our choice, and we enjoyed sharing them with others in the room. We have enjoyed finding magnetic and non-magnetic materials in science.

### **Year 4 Learning (Gandhi)**

Year 4 have recently been learning about rivers. In their most recent lessons, they learnt about the water cycle. They then moved on to using the atlases, to locate 5 of the longest rivers in the world. How to use the atlases properly was discussed, including: use of the contents, index, and grid references, to pinpoint the exact location of a river in each continent. Students then drew the location on to their maps and some even recorded the approximate total length of each river.

### **Year 5 Learning (Frank and Hawking)**

In English we have been editing and improving our final drafts of Mystery writing. We have focused on spelling, better vocabulary and using a range of sentence beginnings. Making improvements by editing has helped our writing be more engaging to read.

In Maths we have been multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000. Using our knowledge to move digits rather than completing long complicated methods. We then applied our knowledge to solve challenging problems including using units of measurement such as kilometres, metres, centimetres, and millimetres etc.

Rounders and diamond cricket has been fun to play in PE this week and the games were extremely competitive with lots of runs and rounders scored!

### **Year 6 Learning (Pankhurst)**

Year 6 would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents, family members and carers that came to see our show this week. After a few weeks of intense rehearsals, the children have really put on a tremendous performance, and I am certain the Superstar songs will be in their heads for a long time to come! Now that the performance is complete, we look to spend the next week together as a class having fun and making some lasting memories before we say goodbye to our very first Year 6 cohort.

### **Summer Term 2024 Dates**

15-7-2024	Year 6 Leavers Experience - More Details to follow
16-7-2024	3.30pm Open Session for Reports
17-7-2024	9.30am Move Up Morning
18-7-2024	9.30am Leavers Mass – Year 6 Parents welcome to attend
19-7-2024	1.30pm Last Day