



Loving and learning together, with Jesus



This week we were very fortunate to have a visit from Margaret Lucid who held a whole school assembly about CAFOD.

She shared this year's initiative was to 'make a splash' with bright colours and neon patters when fundraising in order to work towards a better, brighter world.

We were inspired by her assembly and the children are already thinking of creative and realistic fundraising ideas to support Schools.

Margaret shared that as little as £21 could fund a sewing starter kit for somebody to learn and develop a skill and £60 would support a person's education.

Loving God,

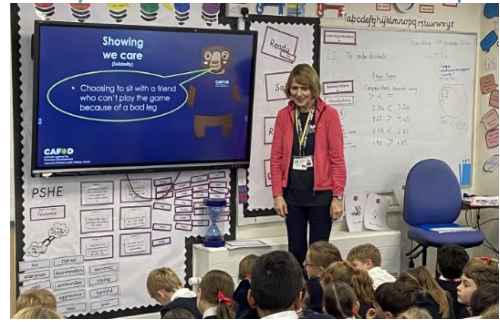
We think of our neighbours near and far.
Help us to share what we have
so that everyone has what they need
Help us to work together to build a brighter world,
where each of us can be the best person we can be.

Amen.



This was followed by Catholic Social Teaching workshops for Year 4 pupils. Margaret shared how excited and knowledgeable our children were, and we

look forward to welcoming her back in the new year for further workshops.



Learning in Action

EYFS



Reception have been very busy learning about Remembrance Day through a range of activities. They have had great fun exploring poppies and learning more

about this special day.



This week reception went on their very first trip, to go and see The Very Hungry Caterpillar at the theatre.

All the children had a wonderful time and their behaviour was fantastic; the reception team are very proud of them!



YEAR 1

Year 1 have started Gymnastics. They have been practising their balances



YEAR 2

We have been working on Zones of Regulation and strategies to help self-regulation.

“When we feel angry or upset, we can use our Zones of Regulation. I like drawing and listening to music.” Dadiso

“I enjoyed making the Zentangles to help me calm down.” Christopher



YEAR 3

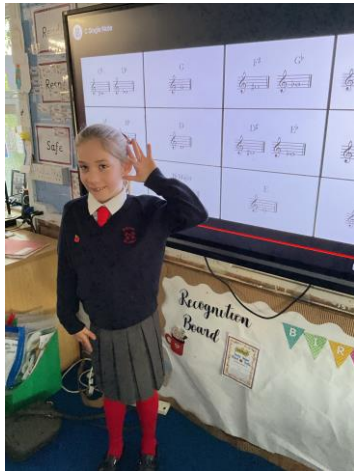
Year 3 have been painting their families in the style of the artist Aliza Nisenbaum as their outcome to their learning in painting.

We used poster paints (thick) for the foreground and water colours (thin) for the background.

Annabel - My favourite part is the tree and water colours. I used different size paintbrushes and dabbing to make my tree. I used water to paint the paper, so the water colours bled together.



In science we are looking at how sound travels. We listened to sounds through different mediums and made notes of our observations. It was interesting to see how the clarity and volume of the sounds varied depending upon the medium through which they travelled.



“I think it’s fascinating that sound doesn’t travel through all materials” Reem & Esme

YEAR 4

Every Friday Year 4 have been learning to play the clarinet. They are now able to dismantle and reassemble a clarinet and play the song “Hot Cross Buns”



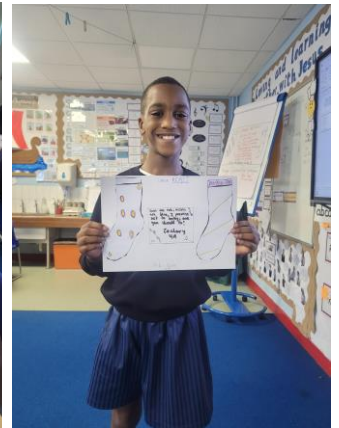
“In Clarinets we have been learning how to play hot cross buns. We’ve learnt about the different letters we use which are F notes, the G note, notes E, D and C.”

Jacob, Ralph & Frankie



“We have been learning about antibullying and that you should not bully people but show kindness.”

Vicky



YEAR 5

To further their topic on Space, Year 5 were visited today by the Astrodome.



'I loved learning about all the constellations in the solar system ! It was amazing!' Nancy
 'Watching all the stars spin around and the milky ways were really cool! ' Evelyn
 'I enjoyed it when we learnt about the planets and how we orbit the sun and the other planets we might live on.' Charlie

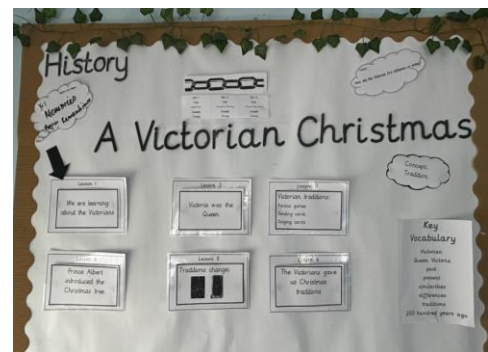
YEAR 6

In Year 6 this half-term we are learning about Inheritance and Evolution. We looked at the different characteristics we can inherit from our parents.



Year 2 A Victorian Christmas

Year 2 will begin their topic this week, by reenacting some Victorian traditions.



Year 4 Invaders and Settlers

"We are continuing our learning about Invaders and Settlers this term. This term we will be finding out about the Vikings." Jacob and Ava Y4

SUBJECT LEAD History – Miss Dunne

This term, the children have started their new History topics.

At St Peter's the children are immersed into their learning through engaging WOW starts - encouraging Creativity, Discovery, Independence and Resilience throughout their learning journey

Year 1 Memories

In Year 1, the children have engaged with their topic by making their own memory jars.



Year 6 We'll Meet Again

Year 6 will continue their History topic about WWII this term. They will focus on the Battle of Britain as a significant turning point in the war.



"We have been learning about the rise of Dictatorship during WWII. It has been interesting finding out about these dictators and their different views." Elena Y6

SPOTLIGHT ON SEND



Coffee Morning with an Occupational Therapist

The SNAP Centre Pastoral Way, Warley,
Brentwood, United Kingdom
December 11 - 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

SNAP are holding a coffee morning with OT Aaron Preston who will be on hand to answer any questions, give some informal advice and help wherever he can with anything OT related.

Register your place via the SNAP website.

<https://www.snapcharity.org/event/coffee-ot-december/>



With Aaron Preston from
The Great Little of
Practice

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Wednesday 11th December
10.30am to 12noon - The SNAP Centre



SEND Coffee Morning

Thank you to those of you who joined us for our SEND coffee morning. It was a huge success with some really positive and supportive conversations. Our next SEND coffee morning will be held before the Christmas break. Please do come along to chat with other parents/carers of SEND children, share advice and experiences.



Sporting Achievements



Congratulations to the Year 5 & 6 children who recently took part in the Netball Cup at The Billericay School, winning 7 of their 8 games.

Well Done to Albert (Year 2) who was awarded the "Champ of the week" trophy recently at Ju Jitsu



Congratulations to Francesca (Year 5) who represented Colchester United in the Canary Cup at The Nest in Norwich during half term.



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to Nancy (Year 5) who won the following medals over the half term in the Standout Dance Competition:-

- Tap Solo - 3rd place
- Song and Dance Solo - 1st Place
- Song and Dance Group - 1st Place
- Modern Group Dance – 2nd Place



Well done to Oliver and William (Year 5) who recently competed in a district chess competition for their Boys Brigade unit. Both boys played 5 competitive matches, whilst encouraging and supporting the rest of their unit. Oliver was the joint winner of the 2024 trophy!

News from The Most Holy Redeemer



Parish Parent and Baby Friendship Group:

Our Parish Parent and Baby Friendship Group is now open to welcome families with babies or toddlers up to 18 months old. We meet every Thursday morning in term time from 10am until midday in the Pastoral Centre. Come along for a tea or coffee, a chat, toys and singing for the little ones, and a chance to make new friends.

Save the dates:

Parish Gift Day:- 23rd November

Gingerbread Bethlehem:- 14th December

Parish Gift Day & Christmas Celebration Saturday, 23rd November 11am - 2pm Everyone is welcome to our Christmas Celebration which is centred around a café where parishioners can meet over a sausage roll or cake and join in with a Christmas Carol or two. There will be something for everyone including tombolas, games and crafts in Santa's workshop. Please email clarelouisewallis@googlemail.com if you would like to book to see Father Christmas. We would be extremely grateful for donations of bottles, chocolate, luxury foods (suitable for Christmas hampers) and new toiletries. There is a donation box at the back of the church. Cake donations will also be welcome on the day - please drop to the hall before 11am, thank you! If you would like to purchase a ticket and support our raffle please follow this link:

<https://go.rallyup.com/mhr2024>

Sweet Treats in aid of Mary's Meals:

Faith in Action is inviting you to a Sweet Treat From Around The World Event, in the Pastoral Centre on Sunday 17th November, after 11am Mass. We are celebrating our diversity!

We have parishioners from more than 25 different nationalities and cultures and the hall will be filled with stalls with various Sweet Treats on offer from around the world. All are welcome.

Children will also be given passports to be stamped as they travel through the countries.

The event doesn't cost any money but a voluntary contribution of £5 per family would be greatly appreciated as all the proceeds will go to Mary's Meals.

If you feel able to contribute by baking a cake or any other sweet treat that celebrates your heritage than please let us know, we'll be very grateful.

Please contact kristindefreitas@brcdt.org



Attendance

Missed lessons result in missed learning.

What could that mean?

- Missing an aspect of Phonics
- Missing an introduction to a new class book
- Missing a piece of music that is needed for the next lesson

Whilst illness cannot be avoided, we ask for your continued support in avoiding time off from school.





Visit the online safety section on the

Internet Matters website:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

which gives advice for parents on talking to their children about online safety and what children are to do if they come across inappropriate content.