



I AM A DISCIPLE FOR YOU JESUS



YEAR 2: ISLA RAI & CALLUM

STAFF MEMBER: MISS MAYE & MISS N FINNEGAN
YEAR 1: REGGIE & RIVER
RECEPTION: EVELYN & ROMAN

YEAR 3: LENA & ELISE

YEAR 4: OLAF & JUSTIN

YEAR 5: JULIA & ZANE

YEAR 6: JAKUB & CILLIAN

Holy Souls Catholic Primary School

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Head Teacher: Mrs R A Girling

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week in school we have thoroughly enjoyed seeing, hearing and watching the children having great fun in our Forest School. There have dens built, bug hotels made and a discussion as to whether ladybirds are red or orange! This initiative is already making a huge difference to the children's academic learning and social skills. We are currently undertaking training led by Kayleigh from Birmingham Forest School.

This week Kayleigh tweeted 2such a great session @soulsSchool yesterday! The year 2's were wonderfully creative, showing excellent collaboration and communication. Here we have a camp, a den, a palace for millipedes and an obstacle course. A great day!!

How lovely that we are using our Forest School in the **Season of Creation**. The Season of Creation is an annual celebration uniting Christians in prayer and action for the protection of our common home. **September 1st marked the start of the celebration which will run until 4th October 2021 - the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi – the patron saint of ecology.**

As part of our celebration of the Season of Creation this year Miss Trodden is working with the Young Disciples to make an Autumn Prayer Garden. Please remember to collect conkers, acorns, autumn leaves and signs of autumn with your child for the Prayer Garden. Also the Young Disciples are creating a book of their favourite bible stories. Help your child to write their favourite bible story or draw a picture and send them into school. Remember each Friday the Climate Heroes are asking the children to help make our world a better place. On **Friday 1st October** to celebrate Family Fast Day they would like every child to bring in an item for us to send to the Food Bank. Thank you for your generosity.

Please see below a prayer written by Pope Francis – **A Prayer for Our Earth** – which you might want to use at home during the Season of Creation.

Wishing you all a very happy weekend.

God Bless

Mrs R A Girling Head Teacher

Hoping we get three points at St Andrew's tomorrow as we certainly need them!



TO BRING GOOD NEWS, TO SHINE FOR YOU.



Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church – PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN ON THE WEBSITE

MASS IS AVAILABLE VIA LIVE STREAM ON YOU TUBE

MASS TIMES – Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00pm Sunday Masses 8:30am, 10:00am and 12:00pm.



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| RT | Freddie | 3M | Steven & Tommy |
| RK | Amber | 4PC | Sama & Alfie |
| 1G | Harmony & Jan | 4W | Oskar & Isabella |
| 1B | Ella & Natan | 5F | Jessica & Eoin |
| 2WM | Talulah & Callum | 5SM | Tia & Harry |
| 2K | Tyler & Prue | 6F | Corey & Keeley |
| 3TW | Niamh & Mannie | 6M | Maribel & Finley |

Leaders for Learning don't forget to collect your special pencil from Mrs Girling!

HAPPY GOLDEN TIME EVERYONE!

THURSDAY OCTOBER 7TH 2021

We have some amazing plans for this day. We will be having a visit from the **Animal Man**, we are having a **special lunchtime menu (those who have sandwiches may choose to have a hot dinner!)** and we are having a visit from the **Birmingham Irish Association** who will be leading a session on their **Dementia Outreach Programme**.

WOW – Don't be late and don't miss out!

Sports Stars of the Week



Reception – all of the children!

KS1 = Archie

KS2 = Bianca

ATTENDANCE AND LATES

OVERALL ATTENDANCE - 93% - We are looking for improved attendance next week.

| CLASS | % | Number of lates | CLASS | % | Number of lates |
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| RT | 88% | 0 | 3M | 96% | 2 |
| RK | 90% | 0 | 4PC | 94% | 1 |
| 1G | 89% | 0 | 4W | 92% | 0 |
| 1B | 84% | 1 | 5F | 96% | 3 |
| 2WM | 94% | 1 | 5SM | 100% | 0 |
| 2K | 93% | 1 | 6M | 91% | 1 |
| 3TW | 97% | 0 | 6F | 91% | 3 |

This week's attendance winners are 5SM - congratulations

Well done to 3TW who were last week's attendance winners.

"I had great fun with you and Coach Dylan outside as we enjoyed extra play!"

A prayer written by Pope Francis

A PRAYER FOR OUR EARTH

All powerful God,
you are present in the universe
and in the smallest of your creatures.
You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.
Pour out upon us the power of your love,
that we may protect life and beauty.
Fill us with your peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.
O God of the poor,
help us to rescue the abandoned
and forgotten of this earth,
so precious in your eyes.
Bring healing to our lives,
that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty,
not pollution and destruction.
Touch the hearts
of those who look only for gain
at the expense of the poor and the earth.
Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,
to be filled with awe and contemplation,
to recognize that we are profoundly united
with every creature
as we journey towards your infinite light.
We thank you for being with us each day.
Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle,
for justice, love and peace.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our order from Clive Marks arrives at their warehouse on Monday and we hope to receive it by Wednesday. As soon as we do we will distribute your order. Thank you for your patience.

BIRTHDAY TREATS

We are unable to accept sweet treats to distribute for children's birthdays. This is due to covid restrictions and allergies. Please can we ask that if you wish to celebrate your child's birthday with their class you may consider purchasing a suitable book for their class library. This is entirely optional. Thank you.

Nuts

Nuts are not allowed in school in any form. Please can we ask that you do not send nut products at snack time or in lunch boxes.



Today you will receive a letter about Operation Encompass.

Holy Souls School will be taking part in this joint operation involving Birmingham Children's Trust, Birmingham City Council, and West Midlands Police. Operation Encompass has been established to help schools provide in-school support to children who have been present at, exposed to or involved in any domestic abuse incident.

Please take time to read the letter.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.



Our Year 5 and Year 6 Disciples represented school at the God Who Speaks Festival of Art, Scripture and Flowers. They had a wonderful time listening to scripture, taking part in Art work, making rosary rings, looking at displays and visiting St. Michael's church.



They behaved impeccably and we are really proud of them. Thank you to Miss Trodden, Miss Smith and Mr. Edwards for taking them. It was a wonderful enjoyed by all.

