

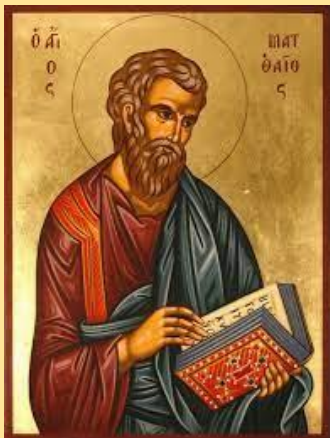
St John's Catholic Primary School

Friday 23rd September 2022

The whole school started the academic year studying the same book called

Here We Are

This book is written as a manual to life on Earth from new dad Oliver Jeffers to his baby son, this simple, life-affirming picture book is both an overview of Earth and a guide to living well. Concepts of kindness, tolerance and environmental responsibility were learned and discussed leading to each class creating a display based on the book, these are a selection of those.



At assembly this week, Mr Wilson told the children all about St Matthew. St Matthew was once a tax-collector and not very popular but then he became someone who spread the word about the life of Jesus, showing that everyone deserves a second chance.

The children shared this prayer:

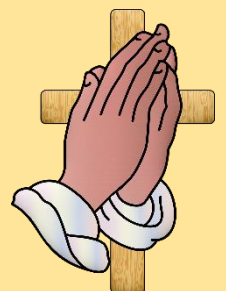
Dear God,

Help us to be willing to give people a second chance, even when we don't think they deserve it.

Help us to love and bring peace and joy to people's lives.

Help us to serve others and to help them whenever we get opportunities.

Amen.



Scarlett Fever

There has been more than a single case of scarlet fever confirmed in Year 1. Although scarlet fever is usually a mild illness, it should be treated with antibiotics to minimise the risk of complications and reduce the spread to others.

The symptoms of scarlet fever include a sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. This is followed by a fine red rash which typically first appears on the chest and stomach, rapidly spreading to other parts of the body. On more darkly pigmented skin, the scarlet rash may be harder to spot, but it should feel like 'sandpaper'. The face can be flushed red but pale around the mouth.



If you think you, or your child, have scarlet fever:

- see your GP or contact NHS 111 as soon as possible.
- make sure that you/your child takes the full course of any antibiotics prescribed by the doctor.
- stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment, to avoid spreading the infection.

Assemblies

Class assemblies for parents to attend will now be on Fridays. The first assembly will be on **Friday 30th September** at 3pm for year 6 parents.

Please arrive by 2:55pm for a 3pm start as we cannot admit anyone into the hall after that time.

Clubs



Demand was extremely high for our clubs; they will always be allocated on a first come first serve basis. We will give notice in the newsletter of when the next sessions are available to book. In the meantime, please make sure you have access to your ParentMail account and can locate the school shop on the App, as this is where you have to book the activity



<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/sharing?pid=MTA101634&v=69.10>



Thank you to all those who managed to come into school to 'Meet the Teacher' on Wednesday morning. I am sure that you agree that the children have made a great start to the academic year.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We know it can be difficult to fit in homework and reading, but it is essential for your child's progress that you do.

PARENTS' EVENING

This year parents' evening will be on **Wednesday 19th October**.

We will be offering face to face and telephone appointments - please look out for more information soon!



Family Fund 22-23

As you may be aware, we ask parents to donate towards a Family Fund. Many schools request this Family Fund of parents, to help towards the 'extras' that school provides, such as additional activities and school improvements. This will be £10 per child (maximum £20 per family). Please watch out for a letter regarding this next week!