

Bringing out the Best in Everyone. 'Encourage one another and build each other up.' Thessalonians 5:11

Date: 12th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a lovely week in school welcoming the Wrens and Bluebell nursery parents in for our first family worship of the year.

Our value this half term is compassion and the children spoke about the Bible verse 'Love thy neighbour'. The children shared pictures of their special neighbours-friends, family and school friends. The children sang a song, shared a prayer and we joined together to sing, 'Sing Extravaganza.' Thank you for joining us and making our collective worship extra special.



Each class will lead collective worship this half term and you are welcome to join us on the dates below.

Collective worship will start at 9:05am but you are welcome to stay after drop off and take your places in the main hall.

| Robins | House Martins | Kestrels |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 18 th November | 25 th November | 2 nd December |
| 2021 | 2021 | 2021 |

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Remembrance Day

A special thank you to Reverend Tim and Reverend Norma for leading our Armistice Day service at St Mary's Church.



Remembrance Sunday Service at St Mary's Church

There will be a special Remembrance Service at St Mary's Church on Sunday 14th November. There will be a small parade leaving the church drive at 9:45am before the service starts at 10am. Our Head Boy and Girl, Megan and Joe, will be joining me to lay a poppy wreath. All children and families are welcome to join us. We ask that children wear their school uniform when representing the school at church services please.

Operation Christmas Child

Please drop off your Christmas boxes between 15^{th} - 22^{nd} November. Megan and Joe are ready with a team of helpers to pack up the shoeboxes.

Poetry Afternoon

We are looking forward to our poetry afternoon and look forward to sharing pictures next week.

Next week's menu is WEEK 2

http://www.tilston.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/2513181

Please note, due to low numbers, the BBQ chicken has been replaced with chicken curry on Thursday. Edsential are changing the menus and we will update the website soon.

Flu Vaccinations

You should have received an email regarding the flu vaccination process this year. Please consent online as soon as possible.

Attendance

There are a lot of children arriving late and therefore being marked late on the registers. Registers are taken at 8:55am prompt and children need to be in school and seated in classes. Please arrive in time for child to be in class for the start of the school day. Attendance is monitored by Cheshire West and Chester and fixed penalty notices could be issued if regular late marks are recorded.

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Children in Need-Friday 19th November 2021

We are going spotty and stripy for Children in Need 2021! Children are invited to wear spots or stripes in exchange for a small donation to Children in Need.



OR...

TSA

Rather than bringing in £1, we would like your donations for the bottle tombola, as well as contributions towards our themed hampers that will be raffled at the fair. This years' raffle themes are: Chocolate, Booze, Girls Toys, Boys Toys and Beauty. We are so grateful of any items you can spare. Thanking you in advance - the TSA.

<u>Please do not feel you need to contribute to Children in Need and the TSA.</u>

Parent Committee

We will be hosting our first Parent Committee meeting of the year on Wednesday 17th November 2021 6-7pm. The meeting will take place in school and all parents are welcome to join us

Our Parent Committee is a group of parents who support us in celebrating our achievements and helping us to further develop our school.

Our focus for this term is our curriculum. In the meeting we will share our long-term plans for each class and explain how our bespoke planning is designed. We are particularly interested in hearing from parents who feel they can further enhance the teaching and learning by sharing your skills and expertise.

Please confirm your attendance by emailing <u>admin@tilston.cheshire.sch.uk</u>

This week's Class Dojo Champions are:

Robins with an amazing 461 points. As a treat they will enjoy an additional playtime on Monday. Well done.



| Wrens & Bluebell Nursery | Robins | House Martins | Kestrels |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------------|----------|
| 338 | 461 | 316 | 426 |



Our Star Hand Writer



| Reception | Alfie W |
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| Year 1 | Julian |
| Year 2 | Felix |
| Year 3 | Rory |
| Year 4 | Archie L |
| Year 5 | John |
| Year 6 | Joseph |

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This week's personal development goal is to concentrate. Well done to the following children who have concentrated well all week.



Stars of the Week



| YR | Alby: always being ready to learn. |
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| Y1 | Devon-Blue: excellent focus and concentration all week. |
| Y2 | Lara: showing a lot of concentration when writing a setting description. |
| Y3 | Eilidh: concentrating well in all her work. |
| Y4 | Sam: concentrating hard on his maths. |
| Y5 | Martha: improved concentration in maths. |
| Y6 | Evie: fantastic concentration to learn her poem by heart. |

We are looking forward to celebrating Christmas together this year and have many special services and events planned. We are currently Covid free in school and hope to remain so. However, we still need to minimise the risk to children, staff and families and therefore have to limit numbers at events to keep everyone safe.

EYFS and KS1 Nativity: 8th (6pm) & 9th December 2021 (2pm & 6pm)

Our EYFS and KS1 children are working very hard to prepare for their nativity, 'Lights, Camel, Action!. The performances will take place in school and there will be two evening performances and an afternoon performance; the first evening performance will be on Wednesday, 8th December 6pm followed by two performances on Thursday, 9th December at 2pm and 6pm. There will be **two** tickets available per family. Please ensure that you have requested tickets by completing and returning the slip at the end of this newsletter. We have limited the numbers of tickets per performance due to Covid restrictions. Any spare tickets will be allocated to families who request extras and you can indicate this on the slip. We will set up a waiting list and allocate additional tickets on a fist come first served basis. We will need all the children to arrive **from 5.30 pm** (no earlier, please) for these evening performances. If you are bringing along your car, please park sensibly and be considerate of other road users and those living nearby. Thank you.

Christingle Service: Wednesday, 15th December at 6.30 pm



Our Y3/4 and Y5/6 classes will be leading their Christingle Service on **Wednesday** 15th December. The service starts at **6.30 pm** and we would like all the children in church at **6.15 pm** in their school uniforms.

We unfortunately have to limit numbers this year and will be offering **one** ticket per family. Any spare tickets will be allocated to families

who request extras and you can indicate this on the slip at the end of this newsletter.

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Stay & Play 9-11am

Our next Stay and Play session is next Wednesday, 17th December. All pre-school aged children and parents are welcome to come along for a play.

Prayer of the week

We remember those who stood for love and truth,

And thank you for the sacrifice they made for me and you.

Thank you that we can sing and play,

And not be scared or hide.

We pray for other countries where children live in fear,

And there is war and fighting and many tears.

Please help to make things better,

And bring some peace to them.

Amen

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Kelsey Mort



| Diary Dates | | |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| 19 th | Children in Need £1 donation or a donation to the TSA tombola would | |
| November | be gratefully received. | |
| 29 th November | Flu vaccinations for children Reception-Year 6 | |
| 2 nd | TSA- Supper with Santa | |
| December | | |
| 3 rd December | TSA Christmas Fair 5:30-8:00pm | |
| 8 th December | 6pm Christmas Nativity Performance- This is a ticket only performance | |
| 9 th December | 2pm & 6pm Christmas Nativity Performances- Ticket only performance | |
| 10 th | Professor Humo- EYFS/KS1 Magic Show | |
| December | | |
| 10 th | Christmas Jumper Day- Save the Children | |
| December | | |
| 14 th | The Storyhouse- Oliver Twist | |
| December | KS1 & KS2 theatre visit | |
| | The coaches will be leaving at 9:05am prompt | |
| 15 th | Christmas Dinner Day | |
| December | Children can wear Christmas jumpers | |
| 15 th | KS2 Christingle Service 6:30pm | |
| December | | |
| 16 th | Grandparents Christmas Carol Concert- We would like to invite | |
| December | grandparents (sorry, we have to limit numbers so this is for grandparents | |
| 17 th | only) to an afternoon Christmas Concert at 1:45pm. Break up for the Christmas holidays. | |
| December | INSET DAY- 4th January 2022. | |
| December | School will open on Wednesday 5 th January 2022 | |
| 19 th | St Mary's Christmas Carol Service- 6:30pm | |
| December | | |
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| LIGHTS, CAMEL, ACTION: TICKET | | |
| Name of child/ren: | | |
| Year group/s: Nursery Reception | on Year 1 Year 2 (please circl | le) |
| I would like to request the follow | wing tickets: | |
| | Number of tickets required up to 2 per family | Additional tickets these will be allocated based on a first come first served basis |
| Wednesday 8th December 6.00 pm | | |
| Thursday, 9 th December 2.00 pm | | |
| Thursday, 9 th December 6.00 pm | | |
| Please note- Two tickets per fai | | |
| CHRISTINGLE SERVICE: TICKET R | EQUEST | <u> </u> |
| Name of child/ren: | | |
| Year group/s: Year 3 & 4, Year | 5 & 6 (please circle) | |
| I would like to request the follow | wing tickets: | |
| | Number of tickets required up to 1 per family | these will be allocated |
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| Wednesday 15th December | Please let us know if you are unable to attend so we can offer your ticket to another family | based on a first come first served basis |

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