

## Dates for your Diary

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January

- Y1 at Science Museum
- Reception Homework Sharing at 2.15pm

### Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January

- Y4 Class Assembly

### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February

- Early Help and Support drop-in clinic 9-10am
- Y1 Phonics Meeting

## *Excellent Ambassadors*

It is very encouraging to hear accounts of St Joseph's children behaving sensibly and maturely outside of school. As members of St Joseph's, children's behaviour and attitude in public reflects on our entire community and its values. Well done Years 2 and 3, and Anastasia in Year 4, for leaving such excellent impressions on others.

This week, Year 5 performed their class assembly. They started their assembly by talking about role models in their lives and how Jesus is our ultimate role model in life. As one of the older years at St Joseph's, Year 5, you are role models for the rest of the school. Thank you for such an inspiring assembly.

I am very pleased to inform you that the school raised £116 through the Ecolids charity collection. What an incredible result! Well done and thank you to all who contributed!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

*Mrs Wyatt - Executive Head Teacher*

## PE at St Thomas More

This morning, Year 2 and 3 went to St Thomas More to take part in their Year 9 PE leaders' activities. The children from St Thomas More led the children in 4 different activities which included ball skills, team work, hand eye coordination and agility skills. The children had a great time being taught by other children and really enjoyed their morning.



## Meeting Ministers from Laos

Anastasia in Year 4 was invited to present flowers to the Ministers of Education from Laos who were visiting the Royal Academy of Dance. Anastasia is a very talented ballet dancer and has been a member of the Royal Academy of Dance for many years. Anastasia said, 'It was a fantastic experience because I have never met a minister before. It was the coolest thing I have ever done. Every second was awesome!'



WEDNESDAY!



Our Wednesday Word for this week which links in with the Sunday Gospel is: **TEACHER**

## Year 5



In Year 5 we have been looking at the classical narrative poem "The Highwayman" by Alfred Noyes. We have been studying the poem and looking at different poetic techniques such as descriptive language and how it affects the reader. In this piece of writing we have chosen our favourite images from the poem and explained why we choose them.



*"The wind was a terror of darkness among the gusty trees."*

*I liked this line because it sounds really magical and used figurative language. It creates an image of trees and an inky sky.*

*"The moon was a ghastly galloon tossed upon cloudy seas."*

*I liked this line because they have used alliteration. It creates an image of a ghastly galloon and cloudy seas.*

*"The road was a ribbon of moonlight over the purple moor."*

*I liked this line because the writer has included a metaphor (The road was a ribbon of moonlight). It creates an image of a ribbon of moonlight.*

# Catholic Life

In Foundation Stage, we have been looking at the parable of the Good Samaritan in addition to our R.E. Topic. The children developed their understanding of the importance of being kind and helping people:

'If you are a Good Samaritan, then you need to help people when they are hurt.' – Liboria



## Pupil Voice

The next Pupil Voice meeting is on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 3.30-4.15pm. We are very excited to be joined by a guest speaker from John Lewis Partnership.

On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February, join us for an Early Help and Support drop-in clinic from 9 to 10am. More details to follow. Please contact Mrs Bartley to express interest.

## Attendance

Well done, Year 6! You had 96.6% attendance this week!

