



November and December 2023

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS ASSEMBLY

David led a wonderful assembly about CAFOD World Gifts to all the children.

He spoke about what we can do as a school to support those that are less fortunate than us. The children were shown some gifts that they could purchase to help families in need like a cow for milk, a forest school to educate people how to take care of the rainforest and emergency water. David spoke to the children about the impact of deforestation and war.

David spoke about solidarity and how we can make a 'world difference' to put Catholic Social Teaching into action. The children were given the job to tell their families about what they can do to help.



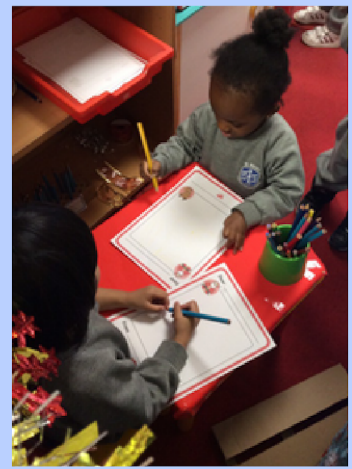
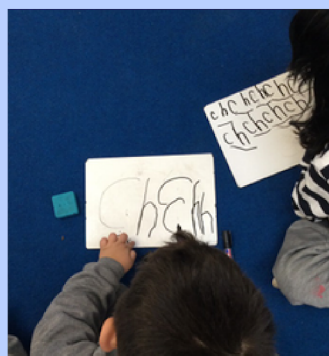
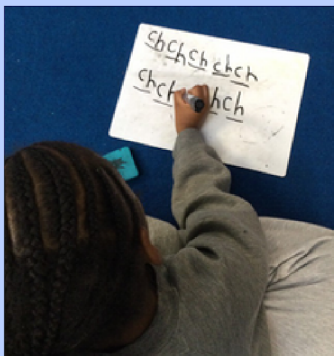
Ariella - "We learned about how to care for people with the help of CAFOD. We also learned how we are all equals and it isn't fair how some people don't even have the basics such as food, clean ware, shelter, or a place to learn."

Devin - "We shouldn't just think about ourselves, we need to think about everyone that needs help. We can give food and emergency water."

Miguel - "We can give some water and a cow for milk."

EYFS

During Phonics, the children revised the /ch/ sound. The children were building great pencil control and becoming more familiar with the sound. In their next session, the children practiced the /qu/ sound.



This week, the Christmas area in the Nursery was opened! The children spent some time in there, writing letters to Santa and wrapping some gifts.

YEAR 2



The children continued with their Nativity practice with Arwen this week. They are becoming more confident with their lines. Kyra - "I will be playing Mary. I'm nervous and excited; I really enjoy being Mary

Elijah - "I will be playing a Shepherd and I'm a narrator in the Nativity. I'm really looking forward to the show."

Reya - "I am a Narrator and I have lots of lines to remember, so I have to practice a lot but I'm excited!



YEAR 4

This week in Tennis, Year 4 learnt how to serve. Some children found this tricky at first but slowly began to get better throughout the lesson.



Noah - "I liked that we got to do different catching and throwing games in partners and playing a real game of tennis."

Ariana - "Me and Maria E worked together in throwing and catching. We have to use crocodile hands to catch the ball."



Jhed - "In this lesson, we followed the story of a boy called Marcus who was experiencing things at home. I learnt that if something upsets you or makes you angry at home, you shouldn't take this out on anyone."

YEAR 6

For RSE this week, the children's learning objective was to deepen their understanding of the range & intensity of their feelings; that feelings are not good guides for action.

The children learnt that some behaviour is wrong, unacceptable, unhealthy or risky. Thoughts, feelings and actions relate to one another.

The children thought about the actions displayed in school as a result of suppressed feelings at home.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Reception: Basma

Y1: Jamal

Y2: Kyra

Y3: Naod

Y4: Sabah

Y5: Aryaa

Y6: Ariella



HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Congratulations to:
Nathan in Y4!



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Attendance 96.4% Y4

Punctuality 99.6% Y4

HOUSE POINTS AND GREEN STICKERS

11st place JF 122

2nd place TM 94

3rd place E 72

4th place A 62



Green stickers
Y1 and Y2

Well done to the following
children for earning their
Bronze award!

AWARDS



Anh in Y2

Kylo-Ren in Y3

Aleen Y3

Jeremiah in Y3

Giovanni in Y3

William in Y4

Jaden in Y6



Well done to Venice
Rose in Y3 for reaching
Gold!

Congratulations to
Kebby in Y5 for earning
his pen license!



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 11th December: Y1 and Y2 morning trip with Urbanwise

Tuesday 12th December: Carol Concert for Y3 - Y6 from 5-6pm at Holy Trinity Church

Thursday 14th December: Collection date for The Little Recyclers

Thursday 14th December: EYFS and KS1 Nativity at 1:45pm

Friday 15th December: Early Years Christmas Afternoon from 1pm-3pm.

Friday 15th December: Christmas Fair from 3:30pm-6pm

Monday 8th January: Children return to school

Monday 15th January - Friday 19th January: Y6 Focus Week with Into University

Wednesday 17th January: Y2 morning trip with Urbanwise

Monday 29th January: Y3 morning trip with Urbanwise

Monday 5th February: Y4 morning trip with Urbanwise

Friday 9th February: Valentine's disco from 3pm-4:30pm

Wednesday 15th May: Y6 morning trip with Urbanwise





CLASS HAMPERS

Help build a colourful hamper for this years Christmas raffle on the 15th December. Each class will have a colour theme for their hamper.

 NURSERY BROWN YEAR 1 RED YEAR 3 PINK YEAR 5 YELLOW	 RECEPTION BLUE YEAR 2 GREEN YEAR 4 ORANGE YEAR 6 PURPLE
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BRING IN ALL DONATIONS BEFORE 13TH DECEMBER

Class Hampers

Please bring in a colourful hamper for our Christmas Raffle this year on Friday 15th December. There is a colour theme for each year group.



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE & TOMBOLA

Bring in a jar of sweets and a bottle of wine for our Christmas Fair raffle and tombola.

Please bring this in by:
Wednesday 13th December

Class Raffle and Tombola

Please bring in a small jar of sweets and a bottle of wine for the Christmas Fair raffle and tombola. Please bring this by Wednesday 13th December.

Great Ormond Street Toy Collection

A letter was sent to families about a toy collection for Great Ormond Street Hospital. Every year, for the past 5 years, there has been a toy collection for the children of Great Ormond Street.

These toys are distributed to the sick children, who will be spending Christmas in hospital. Please bring in a new and unwrapped gift to the school office before Wednesday 12th ; alternatively, please purchase a gift directly on Gaspard's Arc Amazon wish list (https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/36L3CHH1MYVYI?ref_=wl_share) and choose Caroline Ronsseray's delivery address.



GREAT ORMOND STREET HOSPITAL CHARITY

Please check the letter for more details of gifts that can be purchased

Mobile Phones

When bringing you child into school or collecting them when school has ended, please make sure that mobile phones are not in sight. Instead, please greet your child with a smile!

We are a communication friendly school and want to ensure that mobile phones are not used on the school site during these times.



Isaiah 12:5

Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things;
let this be known to all the world.

*With every blessing,
Miss Black and the
staff of St Mary's*