

21st October 2022

Dear Parents

Thank you on behalf of the staff team at St Mary & St Joseph's for your support this half term. It's great to be part of a lovely community. The children have had a super week and enjoyed their learning.

Please see attached a copy of the new draft Behaviour Policy for the school. This was created with both staff and children should you wish

This half term with the children we have introduced the Characteristics of Effective Learning

Go for it Gorilla

Proud Peacock

Persevering Parrot

Creative Chameleon

Concentration Crocodile

Editing Elephant

Each day the Teacher chooses a character with the children and children are rewarded individually and a whole class when everyone's name has been added to the selected character. This strategy rewards behaviour and encourages positivity within the whole class. At the end of each week the Teacher selects a child for this Award.

Branches of love

The children have fully embraced this and are living the Gospel values of kindness, peace, courage, integrity, humility, forgiveness, compassion and justice.

The children celebrate these qualities within each other and at the end of each week they vote for a member of their class to receive this reward.

Trickbox

We have introduced Trickbox Tuesday, this strategy is to support children's mental health and wellbeing. The tricks provide children strategies to cope with situations that they might find challenging. The tricks help offer support and build resilience. We look forward to sharing this with you in the coming weeks after half term.



Dates for your diary	
24 th -28 th Oct 2022	October half term
31 st Oct 2022	Inset day – No children in school
1 st November 2022	Everyone back at school
9 th November 2022	9.15am School assembly with parents

A little reminder that the clocks go back on Sunday 30th October.



How cute are these guys! The children have already met this cheeky bunch as one lives in each classroom, they are our school worry monsters.

These were purchased on behalf of the school by our lovely PTFA team Just another way the lovely PTFA support our school!



We have had an impressive number of applications from the year 6 children wanting to be school prefects and after much consideration the following children have been chosen.

Ashton

Hannah

Bobby-Joe

Pippa

Lily

Alice

Annabella

Ruby

Rhys

Emily

Well done to you all!





A huge thank you to Evie, Lily and Seren who kindly made and donated a vast collection of pom-poms for the Mosaic childrens charity to use!

A wonderful time was had by all at the PTFA Halloween disco and the PTFA raised an amazing £519.07!

DJ Foy

































I think the Disco was quite decent!

Jamie

The food was nice and it was exciting at the disco

Caius



The disco was pretty good Jake

> I really liked the disco Farren



This week's joke is from Mrs Chaffey

Q. How do you get a Pikachu on the bus?

A. You Pokemon!

Last week's riddle from Ronnie - The more I take the more I leave, what am I?

Answer- Footsteps in the sand

Best wishes

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