



I am a Disciple for you Jesus



Holy Souls Catholic Primary School

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Year 5: Niamh & Billy

Year 6: Michelle & Aaron

Year 3: Hargun & Anna V

Staff member: Miss S Wood
Year 2: Chantie & Evelyn

Year 1: Dexter & Abram

Reception: Lucy

Dear friends of Holy Souls,

Today we celebrate the Feast of Candlemas. Forty days since the Birth of our Lord and today we are taking down our crib. Here in school we celebrated with some special visitors! Anna, Simeon, Joseph, Mary and baby Jesus visited each classroom and were asked some very interesting questions! The children and staff have thought about and written a promise telling us how we can make their little light shine in our hearts, our homes, our school and our community.

On Sunday we celebrated the enrolment of our Confirmation candidates at parish Mass. It was a wonderful celebration and we were proud to see the children and their families commit to preparing to the programme. Our thanks to Father Marco and all who assisted in preparing for the celebration, our wonderful musician and choir, readers and altar servers.

Year 3 were praised by the staff at Blakesley Hall for their wonderful manners, enthusiasm and knowledge. This is part of their history topic in studying the local area. Thank you children, staff and volunteers who joined them we are glad you had a great day.

Our thanks to our MAC who assisted in funding the recent removal of two trees. I am sure you would agree it allows so much more light in and is safer for the children with less debris and more space!

God bless

Mrs Girling.



To bring good news, to shine for you.



Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church - PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN ON THE WEBSITE

MASS TIMES - Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00pm Sunday Masses 8:30am, 10:00am and 12:00pm.

School closes for half term at 3:00pm on Friday 9th February.

We reopen on TUESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY at 8:30am.

School is closed to all pupils on Monday 19th February for a MAC In service training day.

Year 3 - Sacramental Update

Please can all parents of Year 3 pupil's check they have received the dates for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Please keep the children in your prayers.

Our Community

PLEASE READ AND HELP!

Acocks Green Library

We have been made aware that due to Birmingham City Council budget cuts, our local library is at risk of closing.

Local libraries not only provide educational resources for our children and the local community, but also a venue for community groups and meetings to take place. Our children enjoy visiting the library as part of their school curriculum and we know many families use it regularly.

Please support our local library by signing the petition.

<https://www.birminghamlibdems.org.uk/our-campaigns/save-acocks-green-library>

IF WE DO NOT USE IT WE RISK LOSING IT!

HOLY SOULS

SOCIAL CLUB

Holy Souls Social Club Weekly Auction

Please remember to support the weekly auction at Holy Souls Social Club which is run by volunteers from the club.

The auction takes place every Tuesday evening- you are able to browse the items from 6:30p.m and the auction begins at 7:30p.m. Thank you.



OVERALL ATTENDANCE: 93%

CLASS	%	CLASS	%
RG	93%	4WM	96%
IWK	87%	4F	90%
IJ	97%	5M	96%
2T	86%	5J	93%
2CT	92%	6SC	93%
3M	94%	6PM	94%
3W	95%	This week's winner is IJ ~ enjoy your extra PE time with Coach Dylan	

Gifts from God Celebration Assembly

Sports Stars of the Week



Reception - Hanou

KS1 - Colin

KS2 - Szymon



RG	Jonah	4WM	Igor
IWK	Betsy	4F	David
IJ	Winter	5M	Cristia
2T	Freddie	5J	Nolan
2CT	Freyah	6SC	Adam
3M	Oskar	6PM	Sienna
3W	Jakub	Reading is fun!	
Thank you for hearing your child read and completing your child's Reading Record every evening.			



Times Tables Rock Stars and Numbots



Most coins collected this week

2TC	Crisbel	4F	Callan
2T	Ara	5J	Anjola
3W	Paddy	5M	Cristia
3M	Amber	6SC	Sama
4WM	Johns	6PM	Niamh
Well done trophy winners!			

Each week we are presenting a trophy to our TT Rockstar and Numbots winners.

This trophy will sit proudly for the week on their desk and remind them of their wonderful achievement.

Each week the trophy will be presented to the class winner.



Today we celebrated the day that Mary & Joseph took the child Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem to be presented to the Lord. It was here that the wise old man Simeon declared Jesus to be the light to the gentiles. We had some visitors in school and they acted out the story in each class. They asked the children to think about how our little light could shine in school, home, in our community and the world. At home how might you let your light shine this weekend?

Year 4 have really enjoyed spending the day as Vikings for their history project. We were really lucky to work with our specialist visiting teacher who taught us lots and provided lots of fun!







SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 6th February 2024



The theme this year is:

Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online.

Safer Internet Day has a singular goal: to make the online world safer for children and young people.

Our pupils will continue to deepen their understanding of Internet Safety during next week. Please talk to them about what they have learned.

The Safer Internet website has an excellent section for parents and carers entitled 'Top Tips Parents and carers'

These top tips have been written for parents and carers to help support your child to stay safe and happy online.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2024/top-tips-for-parents-and-carers>