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4<sup>th</sup> October 2024

### ***Our Value this half term is Generosity***

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

**Reading Buddies** Year 6 children will be reading books and sharing their love of reading with Reception every Friday lunchtime. Here are two of them enjoying a book together last week.



**Christmas cards** Your child's artwork has been sent away to be transformed and the beautiful order forms showing you exactly what they've created have been sent home this week. If you haven't received one, do let us know as soon as possible so we can send a replacement for you. All the details of how you can order are on the form. Remember to **order by the cut off date 9<sup>th</sup> October 2024**. The school will receive commission on all orders to support your children in extra equipment and opportunities.

Reminder to **bring a coat to school every day**. We know that some children don't like to wear a coat to school, especially if the sun is shining when they leave home but please ensure children bring a coat to school every day with the name in it. The weather is very changeable at the moment and the children play outside whatever the weather.

**Parent and Carer Consultations** will be taking place on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October with appointments available from 3:45-6:45pm. An e-mail will be sent out today with details for booking appointments. **APDR meetings** will take place during the week beginning Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October; if you need to book one of these appointments you will have had a separate e-mail. **Booking opens on Arbor at 6pm on Sunday (6<sup>th</sup> October).**

### ***Achievements***

Each week we will be focusing on a learning behaviour and one or two children who display this behaviour in each class will receive a certificate in celebration of this. Our learning behaviour this week has been **Concentration**. Congratulations to:

**Y1:** Eduardo; **Y2:** Oniro; **Y3:** Ethan; **Y4:** Ming-Yee & Teddy; **Y5:** Jadon; **Y6:** Ronnie.

Next week we will be focusing on **Questioning**.

### ***House points***

We are keeping a weekly tally of the number of House points each House has as well as a running total.

The overall total number of points so far this term for each House is:

St Francis:	342
St Clare:	326
St Andrew:	325
St Catherine:	280



**Safety Online Simplified 5**

**Watching videos:** Children love to watch videos and YouTube is always a firm favourite! But sometimes children can be exposed to videos that are not meant for them. [YouTube Kids](#) is a safer way for children to explore their interests. You can find more information about this on [YouTube Kids: what parents need to know](#) and you can set filters on YouTube following [these instructions](#).

*Have a great weekend! Mrs Collins*

**Learning, Loving, Living in God's Family**

*"But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love forever and ever." Psalm 52:8*

## ***Diary Dates***

- **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October** – Parent and Carer Consultation Evening
- **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October** - Parent and Carer Consultation Evening
- **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October** – APDR meetings
- **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October** – Occasional Day – School Closed
  
- **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November** – Half Term
  
- **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November** – Flu immunisation in school
- **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** – INSET Day
  
- **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December** – Y2 Christmas Journey (pm)
- **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>–Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Nativities (times t.b.c.)
- **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Key Stage 2 Carol Service
- **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – Pantomime in school
- **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – School Christmas Lunch
- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – Christingle service in school
- **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – Last Day of Term – Early Finish 1.30pm – No After School Club
  
- **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025** – Back to School

Protect your child this winter

# Flu season is coming



Why should your child be vaccinated against flu?

- 1 Help protect vulnerable family & friends
- 2 Quick, easy and pain-free nasal spray
- 3 Avoid taking time off work/school
- 4 It's free
- 5 It's better than having flu!



We also offer the flu vaccine as an injection, which is **gelatine-free**.

