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Our Value this half term is Respect

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

Science Week We've had a great Science Week in school. Please see the following page for details of our super workshops in school yesterday and the science competition which children still have time to enter.

Lent Challenge This year's Lent challenge for children is to demonstrate kindness to each other. If someone is shown kindness, they write the name, year group and action down of the person who showed kindness and place in our kindness jar. Which class will show the most kindness?



New Nursery Canopy We are delighted to say that over half term we had a canopy installed in the Nursery Classroom courtyard, increasing the space that they can use outdoors all year round. Please see photos on the following page.

We are running an **Easter Competition** over the next few weeks. We would love children to make an Easter garden, Easter bonnet or to decorate an egg. Please see the poster at the end of the Newsletter for details. We look forward to receiving your entries.

Year 4 will be running our annual **Mother's Day Stall** on **Thursday 27th March**. Gifts will be priced from £1 - £3 and children will visit the stall in small groups from their classes during the day. Please send in correct change in a named envelope on the day. Money raised will be donated to a charity decided by Y4.

Donations of gifts (e.g. shower gel or hand cream) or gift bags suitable for the sale would be very much appreciated and can be handed in to the Office on Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th March. Thank you.

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 **Listening**.

Congratulations to:

YR: Belicia; **Y1:** Eduardo; **Y2:** Faith & Oscar; **Y3:** Theo & Cherry; **Y4:** Ming-Yee & William; **Y5:** Adian & John; **Y6:** Willow.

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

Sporting Achievements

The **Girls' football team** played away against Knebworth School on Wednesday. It was a tough match but the girls played well as a team. Well done to all of you.

Our **Y5 Netball team** played a super match away against Shehalbury Park School yesterday. The rain cleared just in time for them to play and they won 16 – 3! Congratulations to all the girls who took part!



Safety Online Simplified 21

Looking to set up a new digital device for your child? Answer a few questions about your children's digital habits [here](#) to receive a free tailored toolkit packed full of resources and ideas to keep them safe online.

We know how popular **Roblox** is, so [here](#) is a privacy and security checklist you may find useful which include details on setting up parental controls, reporting and blocking users.

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:	2331	St Catherine:	2113
St Andrew:	2104	St Clare:	2103

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

Nursery Canopy



Silly Science Workshops and Competition

As part of Science Week, the children took part in an exciting science workshop where they explored a variety of fascinating experiments in a fun and hands-on way. They investigated what fire needs to survive, experimented with gravity and air pressure, and took part in many other interactive activities that brought science to life. The room was filled with excitement, curiosity, and lots of "wow" moments as the children discovered the wonders of the world around them. A fantastic time was had by all!



A reminder that entries must be in by Monday 17th March for the **Science Week Competition**. There are some super science prizes to be won and Mrs Cook has already received some great entries. Details can be found in the e-mail sent on 10th March.

Diary Dates

- **Thursday 27th March** – Mother's Day Stall in school (items prices £1 - £3)
- **Friday 4th April** – Last Day of Term – Early finish 1:30pm
- **Tuesday 22nd April** – Back to School
- **Monday 5th May** – Bank Holiday; school closed
- **Monday 26th – Friday 30th May** – Half Term
- **Monday 2nd June** – INSET Day – school closed
- **Monday 2nd – Wednesday 4th June** – Y5/6 Residential
- **Thursday 10th July** – Secondary Transfer and Moving Up Day
- **Tuesday 22nd July** – Last Day of Term – Early finish 1:30pm

Easter Competition

The children are invited to make either:



An Easter Garden



An Easter Bonnet



Decorate an egg

Entries to be brought into school on Wednesday 2nd April
for judging on Thursday 3rd April.

There will be one winner for each year group.

**Please make sure your name and year group are clearly
marked on your entry.**