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Traditionally the month when we remember those who have died, All Saints Day, a holy day of obligation in the Catholic church, focuses on all those who have died and their influence on our lives today. Our mass, celebrated by Fr Bernard and led by year four was beautiful. Throughout the month, we will continue to pray for those who have died and we will create our own remembrance book for those names we wish to commemorate. -Mrs A M Kendal, Head of School

"The saints lived normal lives with joys and sorrows, struggles and hopes... When they recognised God's love they followed it with all their heart... They spent their lives serving others, they endured suffering, spreading joy and peace. This is the life of a Saint.

The saints are friends with whom we can grow in friendship. We all need friends who can help us deal with life. This is the trust which enlivens us when we turn to the saints in the decisive moments of our lives." Pope Francis

Pupil of the Week:

Pupils who gained a certificate this week are:

Reception-Jasper

Year 1 -Isla Year 2 - Miyah Year 3 - Nena Year 4 – Skyler-Mai Year 6 - Samuel Year 5 - Khadeja

House Points: Well done to St Theresa this week's winners with 128 points!

St Bernadette - 87 St Francis - 80 St Paul - 108 St Theresa - 128 St Thomas More - 106 St Anne Line - 98

Fire Safety Assembly: On Wednesday we were visited by the fire brigade to ensure all the children had a good understanding of how to stay safe during Bonfire Night celebrations. We hope you all enjoy some fireworks this weekend safely.

Holy Cross Church Youth Group: Youth group has started up again, the next one is Friday 18th November 6pm -7.30pm. Holy Cross Church ask for £1.50 to cover drink snack and materials.

Holy Cross Church Children's Liturgy: During Saturday 5.30pm mass Holy Cross Church will be holding children liturgy in Our Lady's Chapel

Year 1 Trip to Holy Cross: Today Year 1 had a lovely time visiting Fr Bernard at Holy Cross

Church. We spoke about our RE topic, baptism and belonging then we sang some nice hymns.

Poppies: Poppies will be on sale every morning next week before school to raise money for the Royal British Legion. Prices for additional items like wrist bands vary from 50p to £1.50. Please note no change is given as this is a donation.

Year 5 PGL: Year 5 parents are invited to a virtual information meeting today at 4pm about next year's PGL residential. Please use the link sent on the 1st November to join the

Flu Immunisations Reception-Year 6: Please remember to complete the electronic consent form sent on 1st November for your child's flu immunisation. Please ensure that consent forms are completed before 25th November if you would like your child to receive this in

Remembrance Day: On 11th November for Remembrance Day, members of uniformed groups i.e. Rainbows, Brownies and Scouts are invited to attend school in their Division uniform.

Nut Free School: Please be reminded that due to children with severe allergies to nuts we are a nut free school. Parents must not provide nuts or nut based products in children's packed lunches. Peanut butter and Nutella contain nut extract, occasionally some cereal bars and seeded bread can also contain nuts. The kitchen does not use nuts in their meals.

Reception School Admissions: From 7th November applications for Reception 2023 school places opens and must be completed by 15th January 2023. Applications can be made online via Primary school places - Essex County Council. All applications to St Luke's will additionally require a SIF form to be completed which can be found here on our website or requested from the school office. If your child will be Reception age for September 2023, we are running tours of the school. Dates and times can be found here.

PSHE: We launched this term's topic "Celebrating Difference" on Thursday with some remarkable facts about animals- Did you know polar bears have black skin? In this topic children celebrate our differences and explore how sometimes friendships can break down and how best to resolve them. Our whole school theme is: Accept that everyone is different.

Parking: Please be respectful of our neighbours and the children when parking your car. Please park and drive with consideration for others around you. Please be reminded that parking at the Harlow Wellbeing Hub is **not** allowed. Do not park on corners, double yellow lines or in private property.

PTA: Toy donations for the PTA toy sale can be passed to the class teacher from now (labelled PTA Toy Sale). Please bring any Bag 2 School donations on the 21st November.

NEW Dinner Menu: Our NEW school dinner menu can be located here. W/C 7th November is week 2.

Upcoming Dates:

Friday 4th Nov: Year 5 PGL Residential Virtual Information Session 4pm.

Tuesday 8th Nov: Year 3 Prayer Service 2.30pm (Parents Welcome)

Thursday 10th Nov: Year 3 Wow Day

Friday 11th Nov: Year 6 Class Assembly 9.05am

(Parents Welcome)

Tuesday 15th Nov: Year 2 prayer service 2.30pm

Friday 18th Nov: Children in Need dress up day Tuesday 29th Nov: Flu immunisations for Reception-Year 6.

Tuesday 29th Nov: Year 1 prayer service. 2.30pm

See the link for further key dates within the

academic year. Key Dates 2022-2023



