

We focused on the symbol of water in our gospel assembly this week. Jesus is baptised by John in the river Jordan and the use of water reminds us of many key characteristics that God also has. Water cleans us, it revives us, it keeps us healthy, it is powerful and strong, and we would not survive without it. We prayed and gave thanks for the clean water in our lives. A reminder that we are very fortunate in comparison to many on this earth..- *Mrs A M Kendal, Head of School* 

"We are God's beloved children. This is our deepest identity." **Pope Francis** 

**Pupil of the Week:** Pupils who gained a certificate this week are:

Reception – Marvin Year 1 – Freddie Year 2 – Nena Year 3 – Angelina Year 4 – Chinedum Year 5 – Amelia Year 6 – Arianne



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

St Bernadette – 208 St Francis – 222 St Paul – 288 St Theresa – 261 St Thomas More – 207 St Anne Line – 163

**Traffic:** Please remember that children MUST be escorted to their classrooms in the morning.

Children should not be dropped on the road as we do not supervise them at this time of the day.

Well Being Hub: We enjoy a really positive relationship with our neighbours at the Well Being hub. Their car park does not belong to the school, therefore do not park there.

Hospital Thanks: Please see attached the lovely message we got in response to the Christmas Carols we sent PAH to play on their radio and the Christmas cards we sent them. **Clubs:** Clubs are due to restart for children in KS2 on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January. You will now have received an email confirmation if your child secured a club place, **please read all emails in full**.

Spring Dinner Day! There will be a change to the dinner menu for next Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January. A popular dinner choice with our students has been selected to encourage all children to try a school dinner on this day.

> All Day Breakfast or Jacket Potato

## **Freshly Cut fruit or Yoghurt**

**Lego Magazine**: If your child is between the ages of 5 and 9 you can get them a FREE subscription <u>here</u> to the LEGO Life Magazine. The magazine is delivered directly to your home four times a year. Even shipping is free!

**Topic Launch:** As you now we are fully into our new topics this term. To start the topic children have completed some exciting activities to get them hooked. year 2 made some gorgeous bread and year 1 had a visit from Rapunzel! (see picture above).

Aspirations Week: As part of our PSHE topic "Dreams and Goals" our aspirations week this year is the WB: 31<sup>st</sup> January. To make this a successful week we require your support. Please see letter sent out Tuesday with further information.

**Covid-19**: Please be reminded that any child presenting one of the stated symptoms will be sent home for you to

arrange a PCR test. The government documentation states the following - "If anyone in your school develops COVID-19 symptoms, however mild, you should send them home and they should follow public health advice." Please also note: If you or any member of your family test positive for Covid, there is not a need for your child to isolate. Children only isolate once they test positive. However, NHS Track and Trace could direct a class or school closure, if the numbers of positive cases rise – please be aware that you may still need to collect your children at short notice. Please do let the school know if you or a family member contract Covid 19, then we can be extra vigilant around the school.

Twice weekly LFT: With the rise in COVID-19 infections in primary school age children, we encourage you to help limit the spread of the infection by testing your child twice-weekly. You can collect Lateral Flow Test kits from your local pharmacy using one of the codes provided <u>Here</u>

With the change in rules can we ask that if your child has a <u>positive</u> Lateral Flow Test you log it immediately on the GOV website found <u>Here</u> and send the result to the school.

**Upcoming Dates:** 

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January: Clubs Start Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January: Karate Starts Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January: Year 3 Prayer Service

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February: Reception Prayer Service

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February: Nursery Prayer Service

Monday 28th February: School Photo's



