



Lux est in Christo

St Chad's Newsletter

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"At St. Chad's, we grow in the light of Christ, to share his love and reflect the gospel values."

Well done to the gang of pupils who went out to take part in the 'Options for Life' activity day as part of the King Edward's Sports partnership. Miss Dartnell was proud of the way they worked as a team and showed their skills. A special mention for Zekiel who I'm told was an absolute superstar and never complained about being tired even though it was an exhausting day. Thank you for representing the school so well.

A reminder also to parents that we are unable to look after siblings of children who are attending after school clubs. If your child does an activity after school - which I would encourage - you can't leave your other children here until they've finished as I can't guarantee there will be staff to watch them. Have a great weekend all.

Fr Lennon said Mass for us this morning when we heard about one of our 'House Saints', St Josephine Bakhita. Josephine was an African, born in Sudan and spent most of her life as a slave. She converted to Catholicism and is now venerated as an African saint. She is the patron of people enslaved or trafficked. When asked what she would do if she ever met the people who had captured her and forced her into slavery, she replied that she would forgive them. She was canonised in the year 2000 and today is her feast day. Next week Mass is back on Thursday and will be said by Fr Tim.

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Our recommended book this week is 'Honey the Sweet Fairy' which is available in our library. I'm told there's a mystery thief in the story and we read on to find out who is stealing! If you'd like to find out, pop down to our library and get reading to see who it is!!

Yesterday we had the Y1 auditions for the Birmingham Royal Ballet and I'm delighted to announce that six of our children have been chosen to go through to the next round of auditions. Well done to Patricija, Scott, Igor, Akaniya, Aloniab and Nishika who will all now be invited to the next stage. It's a wonderful opportunity for our pupils and you never know, it could mean that one of our pupils becomes a star of the future. A massive well done to them for getting chosen.

Last week's winners were Y4 with 99.31%, this week it's Y6 with 98.67%. Well done.

We are still having children turning up for school without the correct uniform and PE kit. We have an inexpensive dress code at St Chad's to ensure it's not a great expense to look smart and parents are asked to adhere to it. Thank you to the many who do.

Going to watch Villa is now becoming a right pain and spoils a perfectly good family day out. Last week it was 86 minutes before we made the opposition goalkeeper actually save something. It's got to improve and we're hoping it starts tonight against Sheffield United. Come on you Villa boys!!!!

Masses at the Cathedral are -
Saturday at 4.30pm (First Mass for Sunday)

Sunday at 9am and 11am - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
Luke 5:1-11. "Do not be afraid; from now on it's men you will catch."

A reminder that we break up next Friday for the half term holiday. To enable the teachers to have planning and preparation time in the afternoon, the governors have said that the day will end at the earlier time of 2pm for all pupils. Please make the necessary arrangements for your child to be collected at that time. We return on Monday 25th February at the usual time.



Star of the week this week is Tom. He's always working hard and trying his best

This week's virtues certificate winners are Naomh, Scott, Lidya, Kadiatu, Lamik, Ermias and Ming.