



St Chad's Newsletter

17th September 2021

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



This week we finally got to see the CAFOD Big Assembly—Go Green. We filmed it in the summer term and we were the first school in the Diocese to take part in the Big Assembly - something we are very proud of. The children were fantastic and we have had lots of Tweets and messages praising the school and the children. The assembly was watched by Catholic schools across the country. The key message to come from this assembly and the children is—what are we doing to protect our environment? Something we should all be considering particularly with the changes to the climate

across the world. If you have not yet watched the assembly Google CAFOD Big Assembly or use the link below.

https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Primary-teaching-resources/Primary-school-assemblies/Go-Green-primary-assembly

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 22/10/21 Break up for Half-term
- 01/11/21 Return to School
- 17/12/21 Break up for Christmas
- 04/01/22 Return to school—Spring Term
- 18/02/22 Break up for Half-Term
- 28/02/22 Back to School
- 03/03/22 Y6 CONFIRMATIONS—Bishop David
- 03/03/21 World Book Day
- 14/04/22 Break up for Easter (1 week)
- 25/04/22 Back to School—Summer Term
- 20/05/22 Half-term holiday (2 weeks)
- 06/06/22 Return to School

Virtue Certificates

- **Y1** Ezano Attentive & Discerning by listening carefully and doing the right thing.
- **Y2** Ava Compassionate & Loving by helping others and showing kindness to others.
- **Y3** Tsion Compassionate & Loving by showing compassion to others in the playground and helping her friends in class..
- **Y4** Polibia Compassionate & Loving By helping others in class and having polite manners..
- **Y5** Lidya Compassionate & Loving for helping the new Reception children
- **Y6** Abigail Compassionate & Loving By making sure everyone gets a turn at playing and by sharing.

St Chad's Cathedral

Saturday Vigil returns to 4.30pm

Sunday Masses will be at the new times of 9.30am and 11.30am

(live streamed and Cathedral open)

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday: 12.15pm (live streamed and Cathedral open)

Foodbank.

A reminder that the foodbank is back open every Friday from 9:30am-10:30am. All families are most welcome. You do not need to give a reason just turn up and fill your bag!

Parent Pay

We are now a completely cashless school. You will need to use Parent Pay to pay for school lunches, ties, bags etc. The children, were sent home with a reminder of logins and passwords last week. If you loose your login, just pop into the office and they will be able to print your login and password off for you.

Year 6 Confirmations

The date for the Year 6 Confirmations will be on Wednesday 3rd Match 2022. Bishop David will be confirming the children at St Chad's Cathedral.

Our stars of the week had the best seats in the house at assembly this week! Living out their Gospel values as Jesus teaches us.

Congratulations to: Adam Y1, Emanuel Y2, Igor Y3, Anenyasha Y4,

Petra Y5 and Ricardo Y6











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What is the Season of Creation?

You may have heard your children talking about the Season of Creation that we are currently celebrating as a school. The Season of Creation began on 1st September and ends on the 4th October with the celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals and the environment. It is a time to renew our relationships with God our Creator, and with all creation, as we join together in prayer. We give thanks for all that God has made, repent for the damage that we have caused and commit ourselves to take action to protect the earth our common home.

Why don't you join the celebrations at home.

- Why not take a walk and send time looking at the wondrous world that God has created for us.
- Produce a piece of art, as a family, thanking God for his creation.
- Try to recycle the plastics you use.
- Try to limit the use of single use plastics.
- Try to remember to switch off the light when you leave the room.

I'm sure that you and the children can think of some other ideas. We would love to see pictures of what you have done together at home. Please send them to you child's teacher on Class Dojo.

God Bless.

Mrs Ashford.

What do we mean by RE in school?

RE in school is split into three main areas. They are Catholic Life, Religious Education and Collective Worship

Catholic Life is how the staff and children use the gospel messages to live out the Catholic teachings in school and the wider community. Children are taught to use and apply what they have learnt from scripture, prayers and teachings to their daily lives. When the children receive their virtues certificates, this is them living as Jesus taught us.

Religious Education provides the children with the knowledge, understanding and awareness of the Catholic faith and it's beliefs. This is the focus of the RE lessons in school.

Collective Worship is the children's active participation in worship. Collective Worship includes all acts of worship, such as, daily prayer, assembly, mass and prayer services. In school, the children have time to plan their own worships which they will lead with their own classes. This helps to deepen their spiritual encounter with God.