

School News

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The Prayer

This week we celebrated the feast of Candlemas with a whole school mass. The candles shared at the service are a symbol of Christ whose birth illuminated the world out of darkness. Jesus is the light for all nations.

Dear Lord,

Thank you for being the light of the world and for sending your Son,
Jesus Christ, to shine his light upon us.

Thank you for these candles at Candlemas. May they burn brightly in the darkness and be a symbol of your goodness. Thank you for your love for the world.

May we love one another and show respect to all living things and our environment.

Thank you for your forgiveness. May we all walk in the light of your compassion.

In Jesus' name.

Amen



"Well Done"

to the following pupils who received Learner of the Week awards:

Reception - Azizah Year 1 – Harry G

Year 2 - Eve Year 3 - Darcee

Year 4 - Whole Class Year 5 - Rosie

Year 6 – George

Headteacher's Award

Year 5

Attendance Award

Years 4 & 6 - 97%

HT Active Award

Erin

Message from the Headteacher

This week has been Children's mental health week and we have been exploring ways of looking after our mental health and well-being. Within school, we have also been focusing on respecting ourselves, each other and our school environment which all helps to support our mental well-being.

Reception read the story 'The Dot', which explores how at first something can seem difficult but through perseverance it can become easier. They also thought of things they can do to help us when they are feeling sad, worried or scared. Using oil pastels and listening to music, which expressed different emotions, the children created a whole class display based on the story.

All staff and children had the challenge of a 'screen-free' evening on Wednesday. This was definitely a challenge for many of us, but it was great to embrace other activities we enjoy in place of screen time. Thank you to Rhiannon (MHST)and her team from the mental health support team who led our workshops this week.

Across the week all classes have again been developing written work on Charlotte's Web.

This week JLT have been finding ut from other pupilstheir view om behaviour and safety in school. They will be reviewing the responses to celebrate what children feel we do well and acting on any new ideas they find.

On Monday, Year 3 and 4 had a fantastic trip to the Ashmolean Museum, where the children had the chance to explore fascinating exhibits. They took part in engaging workshops about Ancient Greece, learning about its rich culture and history. The highlight of the day was handling real artifacts from that time, giving the children a hands-on connection to the past.

Year 5 had a workshop on Wednesday, in preparation for the Chipping Norton Music Festival. I was able to listen in on some of their rehearsal and it was a real treat to hear their wonderful singing.

On Thursday all classes celebrated the feast of Candlemas with a whole school mass and Year 4 led a wonderful Candlemas assembly on Friday.

We look forward to another busy week next week where we will be celebrating lots of different faiths around the world.

Have a lovely weekend.

Amazon Wish List

As all schools face difficult financial times, parents often ask us how they can help personally by providing the school with something it needs. We have set up a Wish List for parents to make voluntary contributions towards school supplies should you wish to do so. If you are in a position to support the school in this way, please follow the link to have a look, and if you see something you would like to buy, just follow the same process as you would if you were ordering something for yourself. Items will be delivered directly to the school. Thank you for your continued support; it is much appreciated! https://amzn.eu/3nPmEcA



Catholic Life

Chaplains

This week the chaplains have been working with Mrs Leary on supporting classes with their saint pictures and ensuring classroom prayer tables reflect the liturgical season. They have also been working with Mrs Woolcock to produce a piece of artwork themed around Hope, for our February Jubilee Year of Hope focus. This will be displayed in The Branch in Chipping Norton, as our way of connecting Hope with our local community.

GRATEFUL AND GENEROUS

Grateful: for our own gifts, for the gift of other people, and for blessings of each day. Generous: with our gifts, both now and in the future.

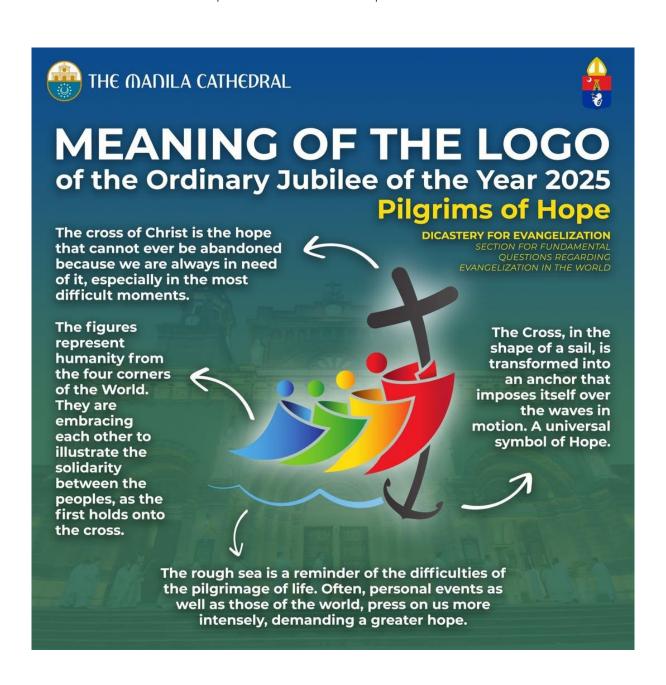
Pope's Prayer intention for February

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

Multi-faith Week

Parents are warmly invited to come into school on Friday 14th February to view what the children have been doing across multi-faith week. Gates will be open at the earlier time of 3pm.





Attendance Matters

Our whole school attendance this week has been 93%. It's been really encouraging to see our school attendance improving this term. A big thank you to parents and carers for your support, it makes a huge difference! It's also great to see fewer children with attendance below 90%. Just a reminder, if a child's attendance continuously falls below this, they are classed as a persistent absentee.

Children's attendance levels are affected by punctuality as well as days off school. We know that children love coming to school and learning, so let's keep this up. Every school day counts!

Behaviour Workshop for Parents

Point 5 LTD are offering a free online workshop for Parents on Responding to Behaviour.

Thursday 13th February, 9.30-10.30am.

Please use the link below to sign up.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/workshop-for-parents-responding-to-behaviour-tickets-1144081792439?aff=oddtdtcreator



Safer Internet Day

Next week we will be hosting our workshops for children, followed by a parent workshop after school around internet safety. The parent workshops will run from 3:30pm - 4:30pm in the school hall. For more information for parents, please use the link below to find some free online workshops run by the SouthEast Cyber Crime unit.

https://southeastcyber.police.uk/parent-and-carer-webinars/

PTA News

Thank you to everybody who turned up for the PTA meeting on Tuesday. The new committee were formally elected with Laura Rothwell taking over as Chair, Michelle Stannard as Secretary and Simon Lllewellyn as the new Treasurer.

We would like to get a sense of how much support we have in order to be able to run future events such as the school disco and fete. If you cannot attend the meeting please get in touch before Tuesday to let us know if you are planning on volunteering this year and would be happy to add your name to a contact list please email:

cnholytrinitypta@gmail.com

This Week in Pictures

Children's Metal Health Week



Screen Free Fun







Candlemas



Jubilee Year of Hope Artwork









Hope



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for Spring Term	
Monday 10 th - Friday 14 th February	Multi Faith Week
Friday 14 th February	Multi Faith Week Open Afternoon for Parents - 3pm
Tuesday 21 st January	NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Yr2, 5 & 6 Workshops
Tuesday 11 th February	Safer Internet Day - Children's Workshops Followed by Parent Workshop 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Monday 17 th February	Half Term Holiday
Monday 3 rd March	Parent Workshop with our Educational Psychologist - 2pm
Tuesdady 4 th March	Year 4 Pottery Workshop - CNS
Wednesday 5 th March	Ash Wednesday - Whole School Mass
	Year 6 SATS Parents Mettings
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day
Tuesday 11 th March	Parent Consultation Evening
Thursday 13 th March	Parent Consultation Evening
Monday 17th March	Year 2 St Patrick's Day Assembly 9am
Tuesday 18 th March	PTA Meeeting - 7pm in the School Hall
Wednesday 19 th March	Golf Day
Monday 24 th March	Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 25 th March	Year 5 Bikeability
Friday 28 th March	Reception Mother's Day Assembly 9am
	Easter Bingo - 5.30pm
Monday 31 st March	Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 1 st April	Year 5 Bikeability
	Yr 3 & 4 Easter Production
Thursday 3 rd April	Whole School End of Term Mass
	Easter Craft Afternoon for Parents - 2.30pm
Friday 4 th April	School Closes at 12.05pm for Easter
Tuesday 22 nd April	INSET
Wednesday 23 rd April	Back to School

CYBER PROTECT WEBINARS









REGIONAL ORGANISED CRIME UNIT

The Digital Dilemma: Keeping Children Safe Online

January 23rd, 28th, 30th February 3rd, 6th, 10th, 12th, 13th



Eventbrite: Police - South East Cyber

FREE WEBINAR FOR PARENTS & CARERS

run by Police Cyber Protect teams

Hints and tips to secure your family online, covering cyber risks and scams in:





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Email

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