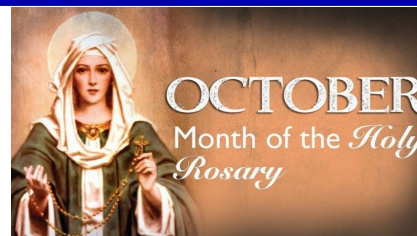




Pope Francis
@Pontifex

I have decided to declare Friday, 27 October, a day of fasting, penance and prayer for [#peace](#). I invite the various Christian confessions, members of other religious, and all who hold the cause of peace in the world at heart to participate.

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have made a great start back this half term and the tiredness has definitely crept in over the past week and we are all ready for a little break! The Anti-bullying ambassadors had their first training session this week and are very keen to fulfil their roles on the playground. The school council have also had their first meeting and already made some excellent suggestions for the upcoming year.

As part of our focus on Reading for Pleasure, we are going to be putting fundraising efforts towards the library this year and I will be sharing book recommendations as part of this newsletter.

I hope you all have a lovely half term break.

God bless.

Warm regards,

Lucille Martin

Our Gospel Values

Creativity
Courage
Forgiveness
Generosity
Humility
Joy
Perseverance
Stewardship

Head teacher

Mrs Lucille Martin

Assistant Head teacher

Mr Ross McGill

SENCO

Mrs Rebecca McGill

Our Classes

Rainbows Miss Aldous
Mrs Iannelli
Class 1 Mrs Thackeray
Mrs Nwafor
Mrs Durston
Class 2 Mrs Veitch
Ms Hughes
Ms Abbott
Class 3 Mr Grimwood
Mrs Harvey
Class 4 Mrs Crowther
Mrs Tella
Class 5 Mrs Jones
Mrs Smith
Mrs Katkuniene
Class 6 Mr McGill
Ms Borley

Please remember that children need to return in winter uniform after the half term break:

White shirt
Tie
Grey trousers/skirts/pinafores
Grey socks or tights
School jumper
School tie
Black school shoes

TERM DATES 2023-24

*Inset days: Monday 4th September
Tuesday 5th September*

Half term:

Monday 23rd October
to Friday 27th October

Term ends:

Wednesday 20th December

Inset Day: Wednesday 3rd January

Children return:

Thursday 4th January

Spotlight on...

African dance workshops



It was a wonderful two days of dancing and singing with the group 'Zamble'. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and we will certainly be asking them to come back next year!



U11 Girls Football Tournament at Whitton Sports Centre on Tuesday 10th October

Well done to the girls on a fine performance in the tournament.

Won v Rose Hill (1-0)

Won v Tattingstone (2-0)

Drew v Gorseland (1-1)

Drew v Kyson (0-0)

Lost v Castle Hill (1-0)

Squad: Ciara, Caitlin, Ella, Evie, Jessica, Sofia, Sydney, Gracie and Isabel

Fair Play Award: Ella (free family swimming tickets)



Upcoming Dates for the Autumn term:

Tuesday 31st October— All Saint's Vigil Mass (2pm)

Thursday 2nd November— New Reception open evening

Friday 3rd November— Individual school photographs

Monday 6th November— Flu vaccinations in school

Monday 13th November—Anti-bullying week

Friday 1st December— NSPCC Speak out, Stay safe workshops
for Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6

Wednesday 13th December— Nativity performance (2pm)

Thursday 14th December— Nativity performance (2pm)

Friday 15th December— KS2 Carol service (2pm)

MR. MCGILL'S WEEKLY UPDATE - ONLINE SAFETY!



Epic Games

Epic Games have released some parental support for settings on their game platforms.

As I'm aware that a lot of our children play Fortnite, this may be worth reading.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/gaming-consoles/epic-games-store-parental-controls-guide/>

Whatsapp

Similarly, as Whatsapp is a particular favourite app, as a messaging platform, this guide may be useful for parents. It is worth remembering that Whatsapp has an age restriction of 16.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/whatsapp-safety-a-how-to-guide-for-parents/>

Rainbows – **Destiny** for being kind and caring towards her peers. Thank you!

Sun class – **Eliza** for always following the rules, always being ready to work hard and for being an excellent role model to her peers.

Moon class – **Bernadette** for modelling wonderful learning behaviours in class - focused, listening and doing her best. Keep it up Bernie!

Flora class – **Primrose**, for continually pushing her self in all lessons and showing great perseverance during difficult tasks.

Stars of the Week



Fauna class – **Albie** for being a kind, caring and considerate friend, I'm confident you will be an excellent anti-bullying ambassador!

Ocean class – **Gustav** for an excellent attitude to his learning - always trying his best.

Mountain class - **Caitlin**, for exemplary learning behaviours in all lessons. However, I was also incredibly impressed with her discursive speech recently and found it very persuasive!

Zombierella: Fairy Tales Gone Bad

JOSEPH COELHO

Illustrated by Freya Hartas

The first in a funny, deliciously dark, three-part series of twisted classics, written in verse by award-winning poet Joseph Coelho and illustrated by Freya Hartas. A yellow moon hangs in a satin sky the night Cinderella, barefoot and in hand-me-downs, slips at the top of the stairs... and dies. But not for long. The Shadow of Death arrives to breathe life back into her bones and, for three nights only, Cinderella goes forth as ZOMBIERELLA. With her skin as cold as ice and her faithful horse Lumpkin back by her side, can she seek revenge on her three cruel, fake sisters, once and for all?

Crawl out of the grave and step into your mushroom carriage for this haunting and humorous adventure of the undead girl searching for her happily ever after.

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**The Night Box** LOUISE GREIG*Illustrated by Ashling Lindsay*

Whilst this book might not actually be about bonfire night or fireworks, it does celebrate the light that shines through the dark.

Nominated for the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal and shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, the Teach Primary Book Awards and the Klaus Flugge Prize.

An enchanting bedtime story about a small boy who is the custodian of night, from talented new picture book author and poet, Louise Greig, with beautifully atmospheric illustrations by Ashling Lindsay.

*Max has a key and a box of midnight blue.
When he turns the key in the lock - WHOOSH!*

*Day slips inside as Night sweeps out.
Darkness tumbles into the air. It dances and
whirls around the room. It goes under the bed,
under the chair - everywhere!*

Louise Greig's lyrical voice and Ashling Lindsay's warm, endearing illustrations hold a candle up to the magical nature of night-time in this soothing picture book. Perfect for cosying up to read and share before bedtime, *The Night Box* is an original bedtime tale that sits perfectly alongside classics such as *The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark* - great for reassuring little ones who have a fear of the dark and calming down lively children before bedtime!"

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**Think
before you
park**

Your guide to safer parking outside schools

POOR AND INCONSIDERATE PARKING CLOSE TO SCHOOLS CAN PLACE CHILDREN AT RISK

Most accidents involving children outside schools occur when a child has their sight obscured by parked cars.

Parking restrictions and marked areas on the roads are there for a reason – to keep children safe. The safest option when dropping or picking your children up is to park away from the school and take a short walk to the gates.

If you must park near to school and space is limited, please follow the rules:

- **Do NOT park on zig-zag lines or KEEP CLEAR markings**
- **Do NOT park on yellow line restrictions**
- **Do NOT park across dropped kerbs or drives**
- **Do NOT park on footpaths**
- **Do NOT stop to drop kids off in the centre of the road**

Failure to follow these rules may result in a Penalty Charge Notice being issued.

Please park safely and be considerate of children and residents by not causing an obstruction

#thinkb4upark



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