

Proud to be Me – Love is a gift we have all been given by God

Reception	Bruce	For being kind and sharing his love with his friends.
Year 1	Thomas	For sharing his wonderful ideas in our adjective lessons this week.
Year 2	Joe	For sharing his amazing home learning and always trying his best.
Year 3	Zara	For being consistently kind and thoughtful to everyone.
Year 4	Jude W-S	For being so kind and helpful and sharing his work and ideas with everybody.
Year 5	All Y5/6	For becoming 'guardian angels' for their class mates and making sure everyone is included.
Year 6		It has been lovely to see the random acts of kindness throughout the week!

House of the Week: Well done to St Catherine's

Music: **Khalifah** for great drumming and rhythmic notation work. **Max** great body percussion work over the last few weeks. **Charlie** worked hard on his rhythm work this week and played his instruments with control. **Tephi** for her excellent Christian Wolff inspired musical score.

Spanish: **Erin** tried really hard to write the family names in Spanish. **Isla** always asks questions to understand more in Spanish. **Edith** worked really well this week and always participates well in Spanish. **Neeve** always tries to make her work better by asking for extra vocabulary.

PE: **Gerard** was excellent this week in PE. He was very focused on all the activities he participated in and showed perfect listening skills throughout the lesson. **Oliver** was very confident today to do tasks that were set for him. Showed good maturity towards the younger reception children with his listening and being focused throughout the lesson. **Sofi** has shown great balancing skills and perseverance during Real PE, yoga and Joe Wick Workouts. **Esme Rey** gave some really good answers in this week's Mindfulness course. Was ability to share her opinions and views on this week's Stress & Anxiety Topic. **Jack** threw himself into this week's tasks looking at Stress and Anxiety. Completed the worksheets and was ability to share his views with his partner and the rest of the class with no problem. **Tephi** has shown increased skills in hockey over the past week's and it really showed this week when the class started to play more competitive matches with each other in small teams.

Upcoming Events...

Monday 24 th November 9:30am	SAFFA meeting via Zoom
Friday 27 th November	No Uniform Day
Monday 30 th November	Blessing of the Wreath
Monday 30 th November	Deadline for the Smarties Challenge!
Friday 11 th December	Y3/4 and Y5/6 Carols being filmed
Tuesday 15 th December	Nativity Performed for Y3/4 and Y5/6
Wednesday 16 th December	Nativity Performed and Filmed for DVD
Monday 21 st December	Christmas Jumper/Party/Dinner Day
Tuesday 22 nd December	Jack and the Beanstalk Digital Panto
Tuesday 22 nd December	Break up for Christmas – School finishes at 1pm

Plugs for Parents...

SAFFA Meeting via Zoom: Please let the School office know if you would like to join the meeting and we will pass on the meeting link.

No uniform day 27.11.20: Children are invited to come dressed in non-uniform and as a forfeit they are asked to donate an item for a hamper. Please could each class bring the following items with them on the day: Reception/Y1: Chocolates - Year 2: Wine - Year 3/4: Cookies/Jams - Year 5: crackers/cheeses/chutneys. These hampers will be put towards creating prizes for the Christmas raffle.

Plugs for Parents Continued...

Advent Celebrations:

Nativity and Carols DVD: The show will go on! KS1 will perform their nativity – Honky Tonky Donkey, as well as Y3/4 and Y5/6 singing carols, all of which will be recorded and available for parents to buy on DVD. The DVDs will be distributed in the last week of term so that you can share them with family and friends. A pre-order form will be sent out shortly via email so that you can place an order.

Christmas jumper/party/dinner day 21.12.20: Miss Eady would like to encourage all children to order a Christmas dinner on this day, as it is lovely for them to have a special lunch to celebrate Christmas together. School meals are free for all KS1 children. This always proves to be a great day, as each class enjoy a Christmas party with lots of games, and everyone can wear their Christmas jumpers or t-shirts.

Jack and the Beanstalk Digital Panto 22.12.20: The Belgrade Theatre, Coventry, have put together a digital panto that the children will all be able to watch and join in with at school. I am sure there will be many shouts of 'He's behind you!' coming from the classrooms!

Christmas Raffle: Tickets will go on sale shortly with many fantastic prizes to be won. The raffle will be drawn after the Nativity performance on 15th December.

Break up for Christmas: As we are unable to do The Blessing of the Crib as a whole school this year, we will integrate the liturgy into the morning and finish school after lunch ready for children to be collected at 1pm.

Kirk Edge Convent Donations: Unfortunately, we will not be able to take our Y6 children to see the Sisters at Kirk Edge this Christmas – a tradition that we hope to continue next year. We would however, like to make our usual donations, so if you can gift any of the following items, we will make sure that the Sisters receive them before Christmas – Tinned foods, cereals, sugar, flour, toothpaste, soap, washing powder, washing up liquid, tea or coffee and any other everyday items. Please bring your donations to the School Office before Friday 4th December – Thank you.

Remote Teaching and Learning Offer: Please find emailed out alongside this newsletter St Ann's Teaching and Learning Offer.

National Online Safety (NOS): Please see the Parents' Guide sent out with this newsletter about the team-based multiplayer game Overwatch.

Updated DfE guidance for parents and carers: The DfE have updated their guidance for parents and carers on [what they need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) outbreak](#). This update provides information on the national restrictions that came into force on 5 November, the latest advice for clinically extremely vulnerable children and young people and advice on the use of face coverings in education settings.

Unwanted Uniform Donations: A semi-permanent box has been placed against the green fence outside the main reception foyer for anyone who would like to donate their unwanted uniform. We are accepting all items of uniform that still have some wear left in them, with the idea that SAFFA can run a pre-loved uniform sale. The box will be checked regularly for donations and will remain in place over the coming year.

Wednesday Word: The Wednesday Word for this week can be found by following this link:

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/kindness?pid=MTA101634&v=10.10>

Metal Car Park Gates: You may have noticed that we have recently had the shrubs in the car park pruned to maintain this area. We would really like to restore the main car park gates, so if anyone has the skills to prepare and paint the gates, please let us know, as we would really appreciate the help.

News...

Our parish church, St Mary's in Penistone are in need of bric-a-brac, DVDs and books for their charity stall. The stall is held at Penistone market on a Thursday (once lockdown eases) and raises funds for good causes. If you are having a clear out before Christmas and would like to donate some items, please bring them to the school office. Thank you.

Amazon Smile: A quick reminder that you can support the school... for FREE... with **two clicks**. Please choose St Ann's Family and Friends Association as your Amazon Smile charity by following this link <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1112227-0> then, every time you shop it automatically raises funds for SAFFA.

Remember – you need to purchase through <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/> every time you shop in order to raise funds