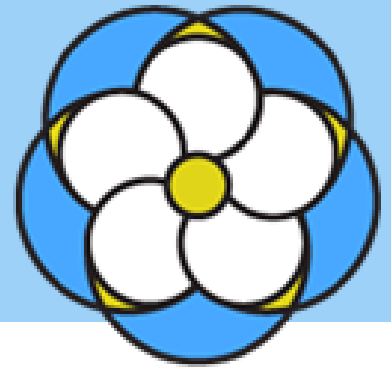


# St Mary's Church of England Junior Academy

Newsletter 14 – 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024



Our value this half term is **Respect**.

During collective worship and throughout the school day we will explore "Recognising the rights of others and our responsibilities towards them".

As we are a church school we will be thinking about respect and the Bible. Respect can be summarised in the words of Jesus;

**Do to others as you would have them do to you.**

We will be thinking about some key questions such as:

- Who do you respect and why? What sort of behaviour earns respect?
- How will I earn the respect of others? What do I do to show I respect someone?
- When is it easy to show respect? When is it harder to show respect?
- What do you need to do to show respect? What is self-respect?
- Do you have to earn respect? And if so, how do you earn it?

Respect has to do with recognising each other as fellow human beings made in the image of God with equal rights to ourselves. Respect does not mean that we always agree with the other person but that we are prepared to listen and share our views without rudeness or impatience. Respect needs to start with respect for ourselves and our own unique contribution to our homes, schools or communities. Respecting is also linked to the words honouring, esteeming, valuing and listening whole-heartedly.

During this term, we also consider World Religion day, Rosa Parks Day, Children's mental health week, Random Acts of Kindness Day and Safer Internet Day.



"They will soar on wings like eagles"

## CELEBRATING LEARNING

*Congratulations to our Stars of the Week:*

*Week ending 12<sup>th</sup> January*

*Robin – Josh K*

*3 Skylark – Nola B*

*4 Kingfisher – Poppy H*

*4 Woodpecker – Oscar B*

*5 Avocet – Isabella G*

*5 Curlew – Billie M*

*6 Falcon – Leila S*

*6 Red Kite – Lexie R*

*Dates for your Diary*

*w/b 15<sup>th</sup> Jan – Yr 6 PiXL Assessments*

*15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> Jan – Yr 5 Bikeability Course*

*22<sup>nd</sup> Jan – World Religion Day – children completing a whole afternoon of RE*

*23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> Jan – Yr 5 Bikeability Course*

*w/b 29<sup>th</sup> Jan – Yrs 3, 4 & 5 PiXL Assessments*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Feb – Pastoral Drop in Session  
In Hall 2.30 – 3.00pm*



## **Pastoral Drop in Session**

On 2<sup>nd</sup> February from 2.30pm to 3.00pm our Pastoral Team will be available in the school hall for a Pastoral Drop in Session. Parents can come into school to discuss any problems their child may be experiencing i.e young carers, bereavement, anxiety, social and family issues etc

## **School Uniform**

As we begin the new year we would like to start with a reminder about school uniform – your help with this is appreciated, as it helps to set expectations and shows our children that home and school are working together. The expectations are that the children will wear:

- School polo shirt
- School jumper or cardigan
- Grey/Black/Navy trousers, skirts, pinafores or shorts
- Black school shoes (no logos)
- Long hair tied back



Further details on where to order can be found on the school website:

<https://www.stmaryscoejunior.co.uk/parents/uniform/>



We also have some second-hand uniform in stock, please email the office with the sizes you require, if you are interested. Prices as follows:

T-shirt (no logo) 50p

T-shirt (logo) £1.00

Sweatshirts/cardigan (no logo) £2.00

Sweatshirts/cardigan (logo) £3.00

Fleece (logo) £4.00



## **Lost Property**

We also have a large pile of lost property and if you think that your child may have lost some of their uniform, please call into the office to take a look. Thank you



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## After School Clubs

We still have places at most of our After School Clubs which have started this week. If you are interested in your child attending, please contact the office.

Monday: Multi Sports with Premier Education

Tuesday: Street Dance with ARTS

Wednesday: Football with CSF

Thursday: Taekwondo with Chris Hemstock

Friday: Football Winter League – Friday's will be kept free for any inter-school football matches (more information will be sent out as these come up)

The clubs will run for six weeks and will cost £24 for the term (£4 per session) payable at the beginning of the term on Parentmail.

## Attendance

Every day at school adds up, so make the most of it.

As part of the national 'Everyday Counts' attendance campaign, we will continue to monitor attendance very closely. If you need support on this matter please make an appointment to see Mrs Dale our pastoral officer or visit [www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance](http://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance)

Well Done to the following top three classes for their attendance during the week 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024

3 Skylark	96.67%
5 Curlew	95%
6 Red Kite	93.55%

Every Day Counts ✓

Missed minutes

missed learning

missed opportunities

Guidance for Parents / Carers

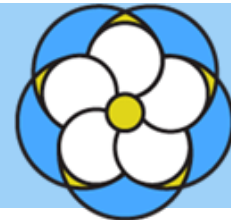
Good attendance at school is one of the most important factors in ensuring that children and young people have the best opportunities in adult life.

[justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance](http://justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance)

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## Dates for the year ahead:

08/01/24	After School Sports Clubs start this week
w/b 15/1/24	Year 6 PiXL Assessments
22/01/24	World Religion Day – children completing a whole afternoon of RE
w/b 29/1/24	Years 3, 4 & 5 PiXL Assessments
01/02/24	English Parent Workshop
02/02/24	Pastoral Drop in Sessions in Hall 2.30 – 3.00pm
05/02/24 – 09/02/24	Children's Mental Health Week
06/02/24	Safer Internet Day
16/02/24	World Kindness Day
19/02/24 – 23/02/24	Half Term
26/02/24	Back to School
w/b 04/03/24	Yr 6 PiXL Assessments
07/03/24	World Book Day (more information to follow)
09/03/24	International Women's Day
13/03/24	Parents Evening 3.30 – 5.30pm
14/03/24	Parents Evening 3.30 – 6.30pm
15/03/24	Red Nose Day – non-school uniform
15/03/24	Easter Craft afternoon with Yr 3 & 4 parents and Robins Class
w/b 18/03/24	SEND Parents Meetings
22/03/24	Easter Craft afternoon with Yr 5 & 6 parents
27/03/24	Easter Service at the Church (children only)
28/03/24 – 12/04/24	Easter Holidays
15/04/24	Back to School
22/04/24	SENDCo from Long Stratton High School meeting with Yr 6 SEND Pupils re transition
06/05/24	May Bank Holiday
27/05/24 – 31/05/24	Half Term
03/06/24	Back to School
19/07/24	Last day of Term

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