



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely week. It's been a relatively quiet week in school, but there is still plenty to tell you about!

School Building Fund

Thank you so much to those who responded to my plea for donations to pay our Autumn term bill to the diocese! We have had 63 new donations – thanks so much to them, and to the people who are already donating. We haven't quite made up the shortfall yet, but we are well on the way. If any of you have not contributed and are in a position to do so, we would be extremely grateful. If you missed the letter, you can read it here:

Parents' Evening

Thank you to those of you who have already booked your slots for Parents' Evening on the 7th February (online) or the 8th February (face to face). We have now opened the booking system up for the parents and carers of 2ML, so if you haven't seen that, please book as soon as possible via WisePay. The booking system will close next Thursday, 1st February, to allow the teachers time to set up all the appointments. Can I remind you that children are not allowed to come in to the classroom or online to speak to the teacher – this appointment is for parents and carers only. If you do need to bring your child into school for your face to face appointment, you will need to make it clear to them that they must sit with you outside the classroom, and wait quietly while you are in your appointment – they must not wander around the school. Thank you in advance.

Parenting Course

We've had a great response to our proposal of running a Parenting course here at the school, with the support and input of the Early Help team. Our expectation is that the course would run once a week over several weeks, and would include lots of practical advice about supporting your child at home with behaviour, bed times etc. There would be a nominal cost to participate, obviously we would keep this as low as possible. At this stage, we would like to ascertain the possible level of interest, so that we can see if this is viable. We would really appreciate it if you could complete this form, <https://forms.office.com/e/dzKRHWZhtp> indicating if this is something that might be of interest to you. You are also more than welcome to get in touch with Mrs Symes if you would like to discuss your interest further. Many thanks.

NSPCC Number Day

Don't forget we are having a Maths day on Friday 2nd February. To add to the fun of the day, your child is invited to come into school in maths related clothing – this could be a football shirt with a number on the back, a t shirt you have customised, or something more creative if you are feeling brave. We will also be raising money for the great work done by the NSPCC, so if you would like to donate, please do so via WisePay. Many thanks to Miss Wood for organising this – and to you for your support!

Hot meals deadline

The deadline for ordering hot meals for after half term is Thursday, 8th February at 9.00am. If you have not ordered hot meals by this time, please ensure that your child brings a packed lunch in for the first week back.

Swimming lessons

Please find attached a flyer about swimming lessons at Moordown St John's school. This is a brilliant resource in our local area, and if you are looking for swimming lessons for your child or for yourself, please contact them!

Mission Statement hero and Stars of the Week

Our Mission Statement hero this week is St Paul – it was the feast of his conversion on the 25th January. St Paul is a great example to us of how people can turn away from wrong choices – he went from being a persecutor of Christians to be one of the greatest champions of spreading the good news. We talked about his journeys, and the things he went through to tell people about Jesus and how we should live like Him. We can learn from his example and try to spread the word of Jesus to others.

Well done to all our Stars of the week:

Super Role Model:

RP: Matteo; RJ: Sophia; 1JC: Rafa; 1WH: Jamie; 2NW: Hollie; 2ML: Kobi; 3BM: Max A; 3NL: Irene; 4CY: Presley; 4CR: Alesia; 5JC: Flora; 5RH: Lila; 6KB: Olivia S; 6PM: Estelle.

Learning Champion:

RP: George; RJ: Beau; 1JC: Ben; 1WH: Jacob B; 2NW: Isabella; 2ML: Lola; 3BM: Lara; 3NL: Liam; 4CY: Freddie D; 4CR: Oty; 5JC: Sofia; 5RH: Joseph; 6KB: Bonnie; 6PM: Chloe E.

Dates for your diary:

Mon 29 th Jan	2.15pm	6KB Class Liturgy – parents and carers welcome
Tues 30 th Jan	2.15pm	6PM Class Liturgy– parents and carers welcome
Wed 31 st Jan	All day	Choir to Young Voices at the O2 London
Thurs 1 st Feb	2.15pm	4CR Class Liturgy - parents and carers welcome
Fri 2 nd Feb	All day	NSPCC Number Day
Wed 7 th Feb	All day	Year 2 - Great Fire of London
Wed 7 th Feb	3.30pm-7.00m	Parents' Evening -online
Thurs 8 th Feb	3.30pm-7.00pm	Parents' Evening – face to face
Fri 9 th Feb	2.50pm	End of Half Term
Mon 19 th Feb	Pm	Year 6 Swimming Lessons Start

Wishing you a lovely weekend with your family,

Veronica Woodward
Headteacher