



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 20th October 2023

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Go shine
in the world



Dear parents and carers,

Next week, school is closed for the half-term break. We wish all our families a very happy half term and look forward to seeing all children back on Monday 30th October.

With best wishes, Mrs. O'Reilly and Ms. Richardson

Reading at St Patrick's...

At St Patrick's, reading is firmly at the centre of everything we do because we understand that reading is the **key to all other learning**.

What do we do in school to give children the best chance?

- We start every day with reading lessons promptly at 9am. This is when children can learn best.
- Pupils have daily phonics and reading practice lessons (or Destination Reader in Key Stage 2)
- We carefully choose the perfect books for children to read at school and at home at their level.
- We model reading and create a love for reading in our **daily story time**.
- We create appealing class libraries in every room. These are well stocked with a variety of carefully chosen books.



What do you do at home to give your child the best chance?

- You ensure that your child is in school every day on time so that they do not miss any of their reading lesson.
- You listen to your child read at home and enjoy their sharing book together. Do sign the reading record to show us that this is happening.
- You visit your local library together to help develop their love of reading and learning.



Let's keep working together so that our children can go from strength to strength.

This week's **Key Sage 1** and **Key Stage 2 assemblies** were led by Ms Charles-Merrifield and Mrs Marsh with a focus on '**Acts of Kindness**'. The teachers shared some examples of 'Acts of Kindness' - encouraging someone to complete their work in class by helping them with the first question, asking someone in the playground to join their game, tying someone's shoelaces for them and teaching them how to do it for the next time. Children then shared their own acts of kindness that other children had shown them. The children will also write some examples to go on our 'Acts of Kindness' display in the school hall.

Acts of kindness...



I have received and read the St Patrick's Primary School newsletter of 20.10.2023

Signed _____ Name of child _____ Class _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

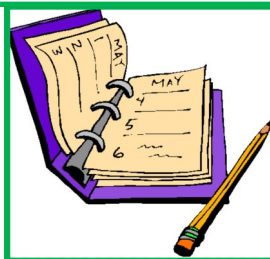
Important dates for your diary...

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th
October - Half Term
holiday

Week beginning 30th October -
Equality Studies Project week

Friday 10th November - St Patrick's Family
Fancy Dress Disco

Week beginning 13th November - Anti-bullying week
Friday 24th November - Non-uniform Day



Our Prayer

Father in Heaven
I give you today,
all that I think,
and do, and say.
Fill me with grace
and make me strong,
with you at my side
I won't go wrong.
Amen



Are you interested in being a parent governor?

If you are, or would like to find out more, email us at

admin@stpatricks.camden.sch.uk,
or telephone the school office on
020 7267 1200, and we will invite you to attend some training on the role and responsibilities to help you decide if it is something you would like to do.



Attendance...

For children to learn well and make good progress, it is vital that they attend school every day.

Congratulations to **Year 4** for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** this week – **98.69%**

Most **Year 4** pupils came to school every day; **Year 4** really showed the Christian value of **Community** by helping their class to have the best attendance this week.

Please make sure your child is in school every single day this term.

Thank you for your help with this :)

The winner of the Friday newsletter slip prize

this week is **Elnathan** in **Year 5**.

Elnathan has won a £5 gift voucher to spend at Amazon.



Person of the Week!

EYFS - Polly
Year 1 - Youab
Year 2 - Emma
Year 3 - Nathan
Year 4 - Jack
Year 5 - Kyla
Year 6 - Ella



Work of the week...

Every week a great piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office).

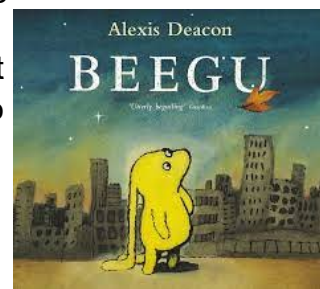
This week **Year 1** have been reading the story 'Beegu' by Alexis Deacon.

The children then looked at the features of postcards and how these can be used to communicate with people who are far away.

Milan used her learning to write a postcard to Beegu in the role of Beegu's friend.

Milan included lots of interesting questions that she would ask Beegu, so that he could write back to her.

Well done, Milan!



Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Ms Fearon or Mrs O'Reilly.

We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.

