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Week beginning November 19th 2018.

Thought for the week:

“When we learn together we grow together”.

Dear Parents,

Assembly. Many thanks to Mrs Chandler for leading our assembly on Monday. During the assembly she talked about what was planned ahead of Anti Bullying week and the importance of Remembrance Day, which was last Sunday. During the month of November, school traditionally displays a Book of Remembrance where the children can list the names of all those family members they want us to think about during the month of November.

Family Mass Sunday December 2nd at 10.00am. Our next “family Mass” takes place on Sunday 2nd. This will mark the beginning of Advent and we will be thinking about all the children in Y3 about to make their First Confession. Please do make a note in your diaries of the 2nd we will need help in the choir and with the readings. **All the Y3 children making their first Confession are expected to attend and need to be in Church by 9:45am on the day.**

School Mass. Thank you to Y5 and Y2 for leading our Mass this morning.

First Holy Communion 2019. First Holy Communion this year will take place on Saturdays May 11th and May 18th.

Sacrament of Reconciliation 2018. Y3B will make their First Confession on Tuesday December 4th at 1.30pm. Y3T will make their First Confession the following week on Tuesday December 11th, again at 1.30pm. The parental workshop for both classes will be on Tuesday November 27th at 1.30pm in the school hall.

Parents Evening. Thanks to those parents that came along this week in Nursery and Rec W, I hope the meetings proved useful.

Anti-Bullying Week 2018 “Choose Respect”. Many thanks to Mrs Chandler and Miss McCarron for overseeing “Anti Bullying Week 2018. Perhaps the highlight this year was the day PCSO Baker spent with us at the start of the week. Workshops were held across school focussing on and celebrating the uniqueness of the individual (hence odd socks day). Our school has a proud history in celebrating the fact that we are all unique and special. The week we have had in school re enforces this message that we are a “telling school”, with “trusted adults”, that “chooses respect”. Thanks to everyone for their input into what is always a positive week in school.



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“Trusted Adults”. This week we have also spoken to the children about “trusted adults”. We talked about who in school the children could talk to if they were for example worried, poorly or frightened. Each year group has a display of their “trusted adults” and we have displayed photographs of “trusted adults” across school. Knowing who to trust and who to talk to is another way that our school can show that it is a “Telling School”.

Y3 visit to the Think Tank. Both Y3 classes had a lovely day on Tuesday exploring all about their topic of “Rock and Soils”. Thanks to Mrs Bryan and Miss Travers for organising the trip.

Y2 trip to the Buddhist Temple. Mrs Barker, Mrs Chandler and Miss Mochan led Y2 on their now annual visit to a Buddhist temple on Wednesday. The welcome we receive is always warm and heartfelt. Thanks to all concerned.

Multiskills Tournament. Everyone had an active time on Tuesday and Thursday this week. Miss Fellows organised a Multi skills tournament in the hall and everyone had a super time. Many thanks to all concerned.

Nursery places 2019. A reminder that school is now accepting applications for a full time place in Nursery next September. The process is simply call into the office and the staff will direct you to complete the relevant form. Can I stress the need to fill in one of our forms to secure a place for next September; school already has 30 names on the list so please make sure you complete the form if you require a Nursery place for 2019.

Attendance for the week ending November 16th 2018

Year Group	% Attendance
Rec W	97%
RecF	97%
Y1P	96%
Y1F	94%
Y2C	95%
Y2M	98%
Y3B	98%
Y3T	97%
Y4R	98%
Y4D	96%
Y5M	97%
Y5A	96%
Y6B	97%
Weekly Average	97%

Happy Birthday: Solyana, Caleb, Lucas, Triumph, Shelly – Mai, Lacey, Daisy, Cian, Amy and Aleena.

Please pray for Please pray for Y3 as they continue their preparations for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in December. Please also pray for anyone in our school family that is no longer with us during this month of November.

Many thanks for your co-operation and support with these matters.

M. Aldred Head teacher



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