

NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents / Carers,

Apologies this newsletter was delayed.

Last week, we had our Section 48 Inspection. This involved 2 inspectors being on site for 2 days. They looked at the Catholic Life and Mission of school (Ethos, Behaviour, Policies, communication, opportunities we provide for our children and parental views of school) as well as looking at Prayer and Liturgy (formerly Collective Worship) and Religious Education, including RHSE.

We are not able to share the grades for each section and our overall grade as the report has to go through a 'Quality Assurance' process. However, I can share that we are very pleased with the findings and the outcome of this inspection. Thank you to all of the parents who completed the survey, as your comments contributed to our grades.

Thank you to all who shared the advert for the Deputy Headteacher post. Last Thursday, we shortlisted the successful candidates (Governors and Archdiocese). This week, the process will be completed and hopefully on Thursday, we will have appointed a new Deputy Headteacher. Please keep the candidates and panel in your thoughts and prayers during this time.

Blue Tokens: Tesco

If you are shopping in the Atherton or Leigh Tesco stores, please don't forget to support our Forest School project by placing the blue tokens in our voting box.

The Forest School is used by the community and this funding allows school to keep the site fresh and safe.

Holocaust Memorial Service:

Our Year 6 children joined in the Wigan Borough Memorial Service at Leigh Town Hall on Friday. They read and sang as part of the service. The Lord Mayor of Wigan was very impressed with them, as were Mrs Woodward and I. Next year marks the 80th anniversary of the atrocities of WW2.

London Trip

We were delighted to send out details of the London 2025 trip to our current Year 3 class, who will be in Year 4 when they go. Please can parents/carers in Year 3 check the details sent via ParentMail and be aware that deposits are due to be paid by Wednesday 14th February. Any issues with the deposits, please speak to Mr Gore.

ATSA February Half Term Activities

Please keep an eye out for the ATSA February Half Term activities information that will be sent on Monday via ParentMail. As always, we have very limited places and they are issued on a first come, first served basis.

AWARDS

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Reception

Golden Ticket	Freddie	Increased participation in whole class sessions
Golden Ticket	Hidaya	Excellent physical development skills displayed during our weekly PE session.
Golden Ticket	Savannah	Superb independent caption writing.
Reading Champ	Mason	Well done for completing your weekly reading tasks.
Communication	Harrison	Beginning to use a range of signs to communicate with adults and peers. This is so pleasing to see.

Year One

Golden Ticket	Ivy	Identifying and making numbers from 11 to 20 using a range of objects.
Golden Ticket	Jonty	Making thoughtful comments during our RE lessons when talking about spreading the 'Good News'.
Golden Ticket	Rosemarie	Excellent phonics this week. She super segmented and blended beautifully.
Reading Champ	Freya	Well done for completing your weekly reading tasks.
Resilience	Precious	When she found a task difficult, Precious did not give up and completed it to the best of her ability.

Year Two

Golden Ticket	Charlie	Accurately adding coins amounts in our maths lessons.
Golden Ticket	Leo	Trying hard with his responses this week in our RE lessons.
Golden Ticket	Lydia	A huge improvement to her handwriting.
Reading Champ	Amen	Well done for completing your weekly reading tasks.
Empathy	Primrose	Primrose is a kind member of our class who always demonstrates a caring attitude to others.

Year Three

Golden Ticket	David	Sharing his calculations in class when multiplying and dividing.
Golden Ticket	Jacob	Using similes and time conjunctions to expand a description in his English work.
Golden Ticket	Jayden	Thoughtful responses in RE when sharing the prayers that we say in school and what they mean.
Reading Champ	Jayda	Well done for completing your weekly reading tasks.
Positivity	Jeb	Jeb has walked into the classroom with a smile and wanting to share his reading book with others.

Year Four

Golden Ticket	Alex	Having the courage to talk about the Faith in Action group to the inspectors.
Golden Ticket	Freddie	Lending a helping hand with the prayer spaces around school.
Golden Ticket	Scarlett	Writing an amazing letter to a member of the parish community.
Reading Champ	Ava	Well done for completing your weekly reading tasks.
Respect	Isla	Isla constantly shows respect to all members of the school community.

Year Five

Golden Ticket	Daisy	Using parenthesis punctuated by brackets, dashes and commas in English.
Golden Ticket	Nathan	Linking the bishops mission in the community to Scripture in RE
Reading Champ	Zoe	Well done for completing your weekly reading tasks.
Positivity	Vincci	Vincci always shows enthusiasm for all areas of the curriculum in Year 5.

Year Six

Golden Ticket	Amelie	Accurately finding fractions of numbers and finding the whole from a given fraction.
Golden Ticket	Clara	Explaining how the parable of The Lost Sheep can help us today.
Golden Ticket	Jake	Accurate use of semi-colons to join two main clauses.
Reading Champ	Niamh	Well done for completing your weekly reading tasks.
Resilience	Max	Max has shown a determination to succeed in writing. He listens carefully to advice and acts upon it accordingly.