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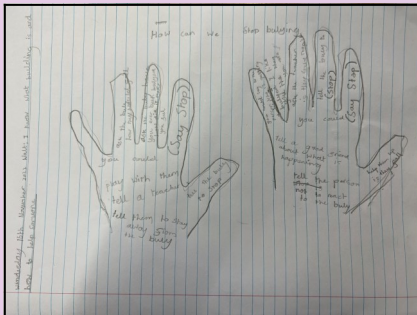
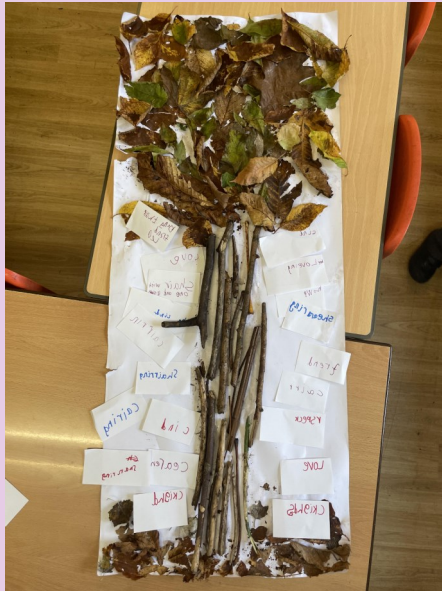
Our School Christian Vision - 'Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring.'

Rooted in Matthew 7 24 – 25 'Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.'

Message from the Headteacher

This year's anti-bullying theme was 'Reach out' whereby the children were encouraged to take part in an activity reaching out to someone in our school, whether it was sharing a smile, sitting with someone different at lunchtime or taking turns in a playground game, everyone at St John's took part and reached out to someone during the week.

In collective worship on Friday the children shared the different ways in which they as a class had explored anti-bullying week. In Year 1 they created kindness trees at forest school considering the qualities of a good friend.



In Year 3 they thought about how they could be helping hands if someone was being bullied.

Don't forget to keep an eye on the 'Dates for your diary' section of purple pages over the next few weeks as we have lots of exciting events coming up.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Mrs West-Gaul

CHRISTIAN VALUE OF THE TERM: PEACE



"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God." (Matthew 5:9)

Dates for your Diary

Fri 25th Nov: PTA Christmas Bake Off

Sat 26th Nov: PTA Christmas Fete

Tues 29th Nov: Year 6 History Trip

Wed 30th Nov: Rotakids Cake Sale, 3pm

Tues 6th Dec: Year 2 Carols by Candlelight, 3:30pm

Wed 7th Dec: Reception Nativity, 1.30pm

Thurs 8th Dec: Year 1 Nativity, 5pm

Wed 14th Dec: Christmas Dinners

Thurs 15th Dec: Christmas Services

ST JOHNS PTA PRESENTS

THE GREAT CHRISTMAS BAKE OFF

All entries must be handed into the pottery room on Friday 25th Nov in the morning.

A surprise prize for the winner!

All cakes will be sold at the Christmas Fete



Awards of the Week

Well done to all of our pupils who have achieved an award this week!



Top Doodling Class

Doodle Maths: Willow (6B)

Congratulations to all the pupils in the green zone!

	Star of the Week	Star Readers
Acorns	Harvey Mila	- -
Ash class	Sam	Sonny
Birch class	Noah	Mackenzie
Chestnut class	Fleur	Aoife
Elm class	Emma	Finley
Hazel class	Jack S	Teddy
Holly class	Rudi	Elliot
Maple class	Murray	Jacob
Oak class	Phoebe	Chloe
Pine class	Owen	Erin
Rowan class	Josh V	Eddie
Sycamore class	Lottie	Isla
Willow class	Dillon	Esmae

Reading at Nursery

For reading at nursery, we focus on a different book weekly, linked to our theme, and plan activities around the stories as well as focussed literacy activities. For our Autumn theme we have looked at Pumpkin Soup and Stick Man.

The children enjoyed seeing different sized pumpkins in the environment, and measured them to see which was the heaviest! The children took part in making their own Pumpkin Soup too, chopping up the ingredients and having a taste!

In the woods, the children collected a variety of sticks, and adults demonstrated using wool to wrap around them to create their own Stick Man! This was enjoyed by many children, some making a whole stick family, and even a giant stick man!!



Diabetes Awareness Day

Message from Mrs Harvey, parent organiser of the Diabetes awareness day:

"The total raised at St John's during last Monday's [Go Blue for Diabetes Day](#) is £101.06! Thank you to everyone at St Johns supporting the day.

The money raised will be donated to the Diabetic Mendip Support Group which is a volunteer run club. All funds are greatly appreciated as they allow children with Diabetes to get together and enjoy activities while talking about their Diabetes and having fun. The parents can also get together too which is a great help.

Many Thanks for your support."



Athlete Visit - Sports for Champions!

On Thursday, the school was visited by elite athlete Maddi Tarrant, who competes in the Double Mini Trampoline.

Maddi began gymnastics at the age of 4, and at the age of 11 she began the Double Mini Trampoline. She has competed at British, European and World Championships. Her Awards include 2019 British Championships Champion, 2019 World Age Group Championships Silver Medallist and Rimini European Champions team gold medallist.

As part of the Sports for Champions scheme, Maddi visited the school and challenged pupils with various activities including burpees, leg drives, full or half press-ups and star jumps. She inspired everyone with her motivation and the children represented the school fantastically,

£483 was raised in sponsorship for Sports for Champions and some of this will fund new sports equipment for the school.



TAKEHOME



Should we ever have to change our appearance?

In the news this week

Pupils in schools should not be unfairly singled out for having afro hair, the Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) has said in new guidelines for schools. The EHRC reported that rules banning certain styles are likely to be breaking the law. This includes styles such as afros, braids, cornrows, plaits, locks, and head coverings. The new guidance was announced to help schools in England, Scotland and Wales ensure their hair policies are fair.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Have you, or do you know anyone who has, had to change your/their appearance for work or for school?
- Share your thoughts on the new changes, do you think it's important these guidelines are given to workplaces and schools?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Rotakids Cake Sale

On behalf of the Rotakids, I would like to send out a reminder of our cake sale on **Wednesday 30th November. All cakes will cost 50p** and all money raised will be shared equally between our four house charities and vaccinations against polio. We would also appreciate any cake donations from those who are happy to contribute. If so, please drop your donations off in the cookery room on the morning of the event.



From Esmee
(Secretary of the Rotakids)

FESTIVE FUN FAMILY SESSION



for families with children who have SEND

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE: BOARD GAMES- GROUP GAMES- ARTS AND CRAFTS-FAMILY FILM AND COOKING AND EATING A MEAL TOGETHER

MONDAY 19TH DECEMBER 2022

From 10:00am - 3:00PM

FOSSE WAY SCHOOL, Radstock BA3 3AL

£10 per family booking

BOOKING REQUIRED: roz@bathareaplayproject.co.uk
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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Come and meet Santa at our school fete on the 26th November ! Tickets just £3.50 for a story from our Elves, cookie and gift.



St John's Primary MSN Christmas Fete

Saturday 26th November
11am- 2pm

Everyone welcome!



Come along for a day of fun. We have stalls, raffle, a games room, Reindeer food making, Cookie decorating, Hot food, A Bar, and of course the Big man himself!

St John's C of E Primary school, Redfield Road, MSN, BA3 2JN

PTA Christmas Fete

26th November 11am-2pm

Come along to our annual festive PTA fundraiser... eat, drink and be merry!

At the fete will be gift stalls, games, festive food and activities, a mini concert with our amazing Young Voices Choir, and of course the big man himself!

Donations Still Needed!

Our blue bin is still ready and waiting for your generous donations - bottles, gifts, teddies, decorations, all gratefully received!

Raffle Tickets

Don't forget to get your raffle tickets in to us via the school office - we will accept these up until the event itself and will also be selling on the day.

Santa Story time & £5 Passports

Santa story time slots and passes will be sold after school every day next week. Santa slots are £3.50. If you want to book a slot but aren't at pick up, let the PTA know.



Elfridges



Our Elfridges store is back on the 9th December!

THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUR CHILD TO CHOOSE A FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND A GIFT OF THEIR CHOOSING. PRE WRAPPED READY FOR CHRISTMAS DAY. YOUR CHILD WILL SELECT THEIR GIFTS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY IN CLASS GROUPS.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM SENT HOME AND RETURN IT TO YOUR CLASS TEACHERS BY THURSDAY 1ST DECEMBER.

PRICE PER GIFT IS £2.50

To keep up to date with our activities, find us on Facebook.

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