

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT TOMORROW, OCTOBER 21ST, IS A TEACHER TRAINING DAY AND SCHOOL IS CLOSED TO ALL PUPILS.



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 St Jude's Close Maypole  
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**We live, love and learn together joyfully, in Jesus' name.**

**Compassionate & Loving Headteacher Awards**

Congratulations to these children who all received a Headteacher's Award this afternoon for actively showing their compassion and love for others in school. Adults in school have noticed how these pupils go out of their way to help others, to be kind in their actions and words. A huge well done to them!



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 attentive learned curious  
 faith-filled wise  
 generous grateful  
 eloquent discerning  
 intentional compassionate  
 faithful active



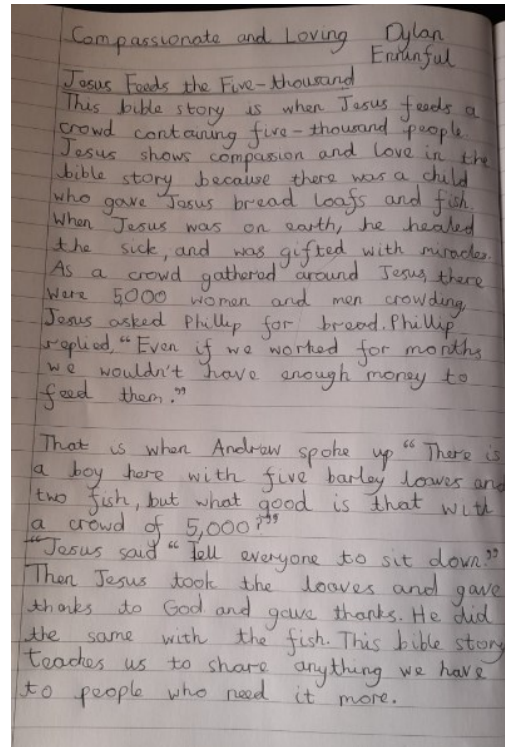
**CATHOLIC SCHOOL PROFILE**  
**Compassionate & Loving**

*Compassionate: We are compassionate when we feel sympathy and concern for other people who are in difficulty, whether they are near to us or far away.*

*Loving: We are loving when we show our sympathy and concern for other people by our actions and by our words.*

There's a great story in the Bible where Jesus is moved with compassion for the large crowd who have been with him for three days and have no food (Matthew 15:29-39).

In last week's newsletter, I set a little challenge to see who would respond to the Compassionate & Loving Bible story and contact me to tell me what they had learnt. Thank you to D in Y6 for his huge effort and fabulous work!



**Stars of the Week!**

- Nursery - Meadow & Rashid
- Reception – Ollie-Rae & Jordan
- Year 1 - Antonia & Harry
- Year 2 - Ayaz & M'Leo
- Year 3 - David & O'Livia
- Year 4 - Moses & Ophelia
- Year 5 - Romeo P & Lacie
- Year 6 – Bella & Tayja



**Award certificates (not Nursery)**  
 will be presented in assembly on November 25th at 2.45pm—parents are welcome.

**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

Class	Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
This Week	94.9%	97.1%	93.8%	100%	98.3%	94.9%	99.1%	96.9%
This Term	95.4%	95.6%	96.0%	94.1%	92.6%	96.1%	94.9%	94.8%
Whole Year	95.4%	95.6%	96.0%	94.1%	92.6%	96.1%	94.9%	94.8%

**Next week, school is closed for the half term break. School re-opens on October 31st.**

We are currently advertising for a lunchtime supervisor. Please see school website for more details.

#### Nursery & Year One Stay 'n' Pray Workshops

A massive thank you to staff and parents who worked together this week to put smiles on the faces of the children during our Stay 'n' Pray sessions. Our workshops were very well attended and we are delighted that so many of you want to share in the prayer life of the school. We are looking forward to having more workshops in the next half term in other classes.



#### Reception Phonics Workshop and Share A meal Celebration

It has been wonderful to welcome Reception parents in to school twice over the past week. There was great enthusiasm for our Phonics and reading workshops—it is great to know that the children are going to be well supported at home with their learning.

Thank you to Mrs Cape and the Reception staff who organised a wonderful celebration for the children in school today to mark the end of their first half term here at St. Jude's. There was a prayer service in the classroom where every child was celebrated, congratulated and presented with a Bible so that they can keep Jesus with them always. This was followed by a delicious lunch in school with parents and grandparents enjoying Sue's fabulous food!



#### FUTURE DATES

Some dates for your diary:

- October 20th**— St. Jude's Feast Day celebration  
Pupils break for half-term
- October 20th**—Year One Stay 'n' Pray—9.10am
- October 20th**—Reception celebration lunch—11.30am
- October 21st**—Teacher Training Day. **SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS.**
- w/c 24th October**—Half-term week
- October 31st**—Pupils return to school
- October 31st**—Y6 residential to Alton Castle
- November 10th**—Whole School Retreat
- w/c November 14th**—Anti-Bullying Week
- November 14th**—School photographer
- November 15th**—Type Onesie Day
- November 27th**—the start of Advent
- December 2nd** —non-uniform day in exchange for either £1 or a gift for the Christmas Boutique
- December 9th**—Christmas Jumper Day
- December 13th**—Christmas Dinner—Nursery, Reception, Years One and Two
- December 14th**—Christmas Dinner—Years Three, Four, Five and Six  
Year One Nativity Play at 2pm
- December 15th**—Christmas Parties
- December 16th**—Christmas Boutique, end of Autumn term, school closes, optional 1pm finish
- January 3rd**—Teacher Day – School closed to pupils
- January 4th**—Pupils return to school
- February 7th**—**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR BAPTISED CATHOLICS IN Y6 AT ST.DUNSTAN'S CHURCH, 7PM**
- February 17th**—Pupils break up for half-term
- February 27th**—Pupils return from half-term break
- March 31st**—end of Autumn term, school closes, optional



**November 15th** is 'Type Onesie Day' where we ask children to wear a onesie (or something blue) to raise money for the charity JDRF and show support for those with Type 1 Diabetes. We are asking every pupil to contribute £1 please.

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE!**

The school photographer will be in school on November 14th. More details to follow.

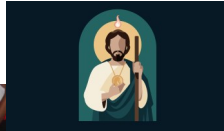




# St. Jude's Feast Day Celebration



Today really was a day to celebrate the school and the children. We have had a super day celebrating the feast day of St. Jude a few days early as it always falls in half-term on October 28th. Pupils took part in drama workshops exploring why they are special, unique and made in the image and likeness of God. They worked in groups discussing why the school is special to them. Around school, there has been some fabulous work taking place—the Liturgy services that pupils prepared in groups were moving to watch and listen to. Their contributions and reflections were very special and reflect the loving, caring and compassionate pupils that we so enjoying having here.



Everyone enjoyed the drama workshops.



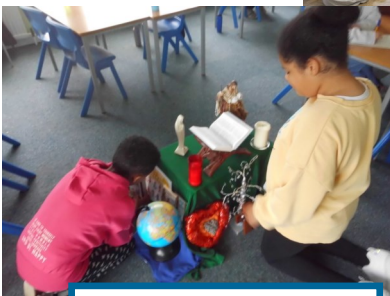
Classes worked together to plan their own prayer services about St. Jude and our school.



People, do not bury your talents. God has given you. Do not be afraid. dream of great things.



Some stunning work has been produced today. Well done U for her fabulous sketch of St. Jude. She is only in Y2— what great talent!



Pupils took great care in preparing prayer focus areas for the prayer services.

