

6.10.2023

Dear families,

## Parent's Evening

Parent's Evening will take place on <u>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October</u>. A sign up form is available on your child's See Saw page. The Citizen's Advice Team will be there so if there is anything you feel you would like to discuss with them, please feel free to make your way over to them.

### Year 1 Parent Phonics Workshop

On Monday 9th October we will be delivering a phonics workshop for parents of children in Year 1. This workshop will be held after school at 3:30 in the Year 1Pine classroom. The workshop will be an opportunity for you to gain an understanding on how we teach phonics in Year 1 and how to access the online library on the reading app. The workshop will also provide you with information on how you can further support your child at home, in preparation for the phonics screening check, towards the end of the academic year. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible so we continue to work together to support the children.

# Catholic Life - Our lady of the Rosary

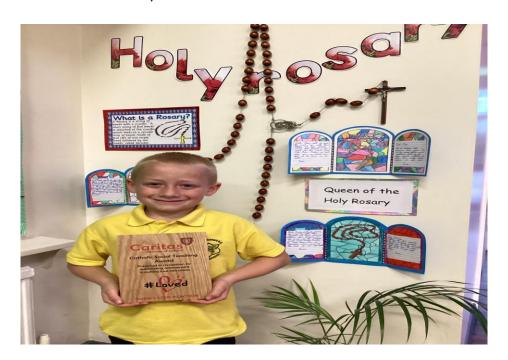
We celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on the 7th October. Throughout this special month, our Mini Vinnies Team are working collaboratively with our Rights Respecting Team to create travelling rosary bags for each class to have the opportunity to pray at home if they wish. Through this very special devotion to Mary, let us ask Our Lady of the Rosary to look after us during the month of October.



#### We learn and pray, in faith and love

### Caritas in Action Award

This week, our Caritas in Action Award has been given to Ashley for demonstrating the Catholic Social Teaching principle of solidarity by showing great consideration to others and ensuring that everyone had the chance to be included in a school activity.



## MacMillan Cake Sale and Coffee Morning

Thank you so much to all of you who supported the coffee morning and cake sale this morning; The amount raised was a magnificent £562.43. You are all amazing!!

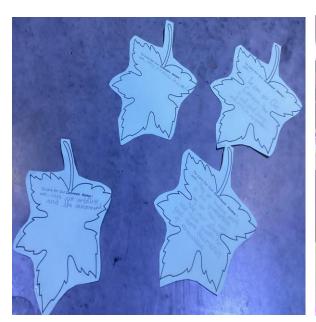
#### Right of the Week

Article 5 Family Guidance as Children Develop

You have the right to be given guidance by your parents and family.

### Hope in the Future

Our Year 6 Mini Vinnies joined other pupils from schools across the Diocese to discuss how we can all put hope in our future through actions in school. The children enjoyed listening to a range of speakers including Bishop John. The children then wrote a pledge for what they will do to help to look after our common home. This will be displayed in St. Peter's Square in Rome. Well done to all involved.





## European Sports Day

On Friday, St Kentigern's participated in European School Sports Day. This is an event in which schools across Europe host a sports event at the same time. The theme this year was the joy of sport. Our entire KS2 took part in a range of activities and finished with a mass dance with the help of Miss Osbourne. This was a wonderful afternoon and the children thoroughly enjoyed it!

# Year 3 (Beech) Class Assembly

Thank you to Miss Pagett's class for their wonderful assembly based on Family Fast Day. We have so many things to be thankful for in our lives and it is great that we can all work in the spirit of solidarity and generosity.

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## A Message from Fr. Michael

Hello and I trust we are all well and being kind! This week, we celebrated the great feast in honour of St Francis of Assisi! The Saint who over 800 years ago said we should consider how we care for this great planet. The Pope upon his election, was asked which Saints name he would choose to inspire him; he replied "Francis." This week on St Francis' feast day (October4th) Pope Francis published his latest encyclical upon caring for one another and this world. He gave it the title "Laudate Deum" meaning "Praise God," quoting the Book of Genesis, the section that we read at Easter "God saw that everything he had created was good! "Let us also reflect upon the goodness all around us, God's creation, and let us care for it wisely. Pick up that litter, tend to the garden, be kind to each other, and return a smile with a smile! If we open our eyes and look up we can see what a wonderful world we share with each other. Have a brilliant weekend.

St Kentigern, pray for us.

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With continued best wishes,

Mrs Muldoon

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