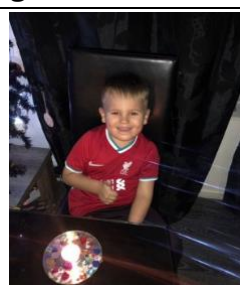


Another week over... they seem to be going quicker than ever! There are now only 4 weeks until the end of term. We have some lovely exciting things planned for the next few weeks and although there won't be our usual festivities, I am sure you will agree that we all need some things to cheer us up! It can be very difficult to keep smiling in a time when many of us aren't able to see loved ones and are having even tighter restrictions placed upon us. Luckily, we have your children to remind us just how wonderful and precious the gift of life is. Keep an eye out for a letter that will come out next week about our proposed 'Santa Dash' and one other nice thing we have arranged this week is our Christmas Dinner Day that will take place Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Please remember to keep up to date with all our latest information via the school website. Our Risk Assessments and Safety guidance is constantly updated in light of any recent guidance and can be found on the Covid-19 page.

"Strength grows in the moments when you think you can't go on but you keep going anyway."



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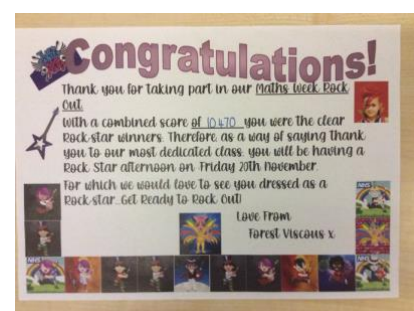


It has been another busy week full of learning in school.

**It has been lovely to see the pictures from our F2 children using their Diwali lights to join the celebration over the weekend and reflect on what they are thankful for.**

**Congratulations to Year 3 who were the winners of our 'Maths Week Rock Out' and today got the**

**opportunity to be 'Rock Stars'.**



**Year 4 had a wonderful PSHE Day thinking about 'Universal Children's Rights' Day which we celebrate today. They have been learning about the rights of a child and the importance of 'equality' in society. It was a fantastic day which the children really enjoyed!**

**Year 5's Science afternoons always look fantastic. This week they successfully separated various materials using a variety of equipment.**



## SCHOOL BUILD – We are so excited that we

will very soon be able to show you our new renovations as they are very nearly complete! We hope that next week will be our last week using the main hall for Toast Club and the Base for After School Club. We will write to you when the children can return to their own entrance/exit at the infant end of



the building. We have loved watching all the changes take shape and next week I hope to be able to share more photos but for now, here is a sneaky peak! If you have or know of a child who would like to access our 2 year old provision that will be up and running by Easter 2021, please let Mrs Jones or the School Office know as soon as possible so we can secure them a place.

# This week has been **ANTI-BULLYING**

**WEEK** - We began the week with 'Odd Socks Day' which is an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique! At St. Michael's we are always proud to support Anti-Bullying Week and the children always participate in a range of activities to raise awareness. We are trying to encourage the children to come forward about bullying, highlight the effects of bullying and ask what we can do to stop it. You will find lots of information at



<https://www.antibullyingalliance.org.uk/sites/default/files/field/attachment/AntiBullying%20Week%202020%20-%20pack%20for%20parents.pdf>

**Thank you to those of you making every effort to keep our community safe.**

**Please continue to help us all stay safe by:**

- Not sending your child or siblings to school if a member of your household displays any symptoms.
- Arranging tests quickly for any household member who displays symptoms – this limits the amount of time your child is out of school.
- Maintaining social distancing when on the school site or outside the school gates.
- Wearing a face covering when on the school site when collecting your child(ren).
- Following the Government guidance and not mixing with other households (no play dates, sleep overs etc).



We are in this together and we must continue to look after each other.



**This week many of the children have been thinking about the 'Parable of the Talents'.** The children were encouraged to think about how God gives us great gifts and he wants us to use these gifts well. Sometimes, we might feel uncertain about what our gifts and talents are, or we might feel unconfident, compare ourselves to others and decide that we don't have anything to offer. But **God tells us that we ALL have gifts and talents. We ALL have wonderful things to offer.**

If your child is in Foundation 1 and will be 4 before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021, then please apply online for your child to start Foundation 2 (Reception) class in September 2021.  
[www.wirral.gov.uk](http://www.wirral.gov.uk) by 15th January 2021 (the final closing date).

**Attendance Well done to Year 1 for having the best attendance this week!**

F1 – 97.8%

F2 – 98.6%

Year 1 – 99.0%

Year 2 – 97.3%

Year 3 – 96.1%

Year 4 – 92.3%

Year 5 – 97.5%

Year 6 – 96.9%

**PARKING** - It is very frustrating that certain vehicles and parents continue to ignore the signage around the school gates and park over the gate and in some cases drive over the signs. The signs are to keep **ALL** children safe. Please think of others and walk those extra few steps for the **SAFETY** of everyone! I regularly have to remind parents of this and it is so irritating when the vast majority of our parents comply with the safety rules.



**Thank you again for your patience and understanding at this time. Mrs Ralph**

