

Another week has flown by! It has been lovely to visit classes this week and see the children working hard and enjoying learning. There is a fantastic sense of calmness and purpose as you walk into classrooms. Let's hope it continues! The children all looked super smart today ready for their school photographs. They managed to stay pristine prior to the photos but then the cakes came out and were enjoyed by everyone. Please make sure you have checked this week's SEESAW announcements and your child's bag as we have sent out a number of important letters this week that you need to be aware of.



Thank you so much for your support today with our fundraiser for Macmillan. The children have enjoyed eating all the cakes and we have raised a fantastic amount to send to Macmillan. I will let you know the exact total once it has been counted.



BABY NEWS We are delighted to announce that Mrs Jones has had a baby girl. Gorgeous Baby Lola was born on the 18th September, weighing 7lbs 6oz. Mummy, Daddy and Baby Lola are doing really well and now adjusting to being a family of 4 at home. Teddy is now a very, very proud big brother who is loving all the cuddles! Congratulations Family Jones!



HOLIDAYS during term time
Holidays are not authorised during term time. Any unauthorised holidays could result in a penalty charge being issued to each parent/carer with parental responsibility.

SWIMMING - We are pleased to announce that we will be resuming our swimming programme this year. We will be writing to Year 4 and Year 5 parents separately to inform them of the arrangements for each class. Year 5 will be going swimming each afternoon over a two-week period in November. We hope to secure a weekly session for Year 4 at Foxfield school. We will write the week before it starts which will hopefully be very soon.



This week, you received a letter about the different school clubs being offered this term. All school clubs are free of charge as the staff give up their time to run these. Please ensure that your child is collected promptly at 4:15pm from the front MAIN ENTRANCE otherwise the place will need to be withdrawn.

FLU VACCINES – A letter was sent home on Monday about this year's FLU VACCINE programme. Flu Vaccines will be given to children in school on **Thursday 14th October**. It can only be given to your child if you have completed the online CONSENT FORM. Please ensure this has been completed prior to 14th October or the flu vaccine cannot be administered to your child.



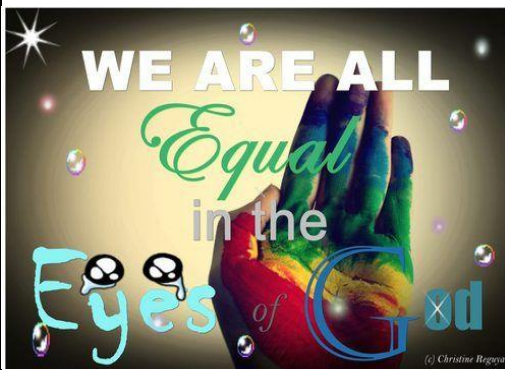
ATTENDANCE – Year 1 have taken good care of our St Michael Bear this week and enjoyed treats in class for having the best attendance last week. This week, congratulations to Year 3 for having the best attendance – they will get to look after St Michael Bear in class.



Foundation 1 – 87.8%	Year 1 – 94.0%	Year 3 – 96.7%	Year 5 – 96.7%
Foundation 2 – 85.6%	Year 2 – 92.4%	Year 4 – 92.2%	Year 6 – 92.8%

Thought for the week.....

This week in assembly we have been discussing 'greatness' and thought about the Gospel from Sunday Mass when Jesus' disciples argue about



who is the 'greatest'. We thought about how the most important things in life are not winning, being the best or most beautiful. Instead, Jesus taught us to be great in God's eyes, we must put others first. Jesus set an example for us to follow. He fed the hungry, healed the sick and spent time with people when no one else would! He teaches us that no one is better than anyone else and that we are all equal.



Computing Curriculum Days.... I missed getting these wonderful curriculum days in last week's newsletter. Hi Impact who support us as technicians as well as in our delivery of the computing curriculum, came and spent 2



days in school last week working with all our junior classes. They delivered some fantastic sessions, combining computer science and lego, which every child thoroughly enjoyed. When I questioned the children about it at afternoon tea, they said it had been "brilliant" so it definitely got the thumbs up from everyone!



It is always wonderful to see the fantastic learning going on across the school.

Our 2 year olds have been learning about 'People who Help Us'.

In Foundation 2, the children have been learning about 'colours' in a variety of different ways.

In Year 2, the children have had lots of great, practical fun learning about France.

In Science in Year 6, they have been learning about the very vital organ the 'heart'.

You couldn't be squeamish when doing this activity!



Enjoy the weekend, Mrs Ralph