



Lux est in Christo

St Chad's Newsletter

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"At St. Chad's, we grow in the light of Christ, to share his love and reflect the gospel values."

You may have seen that we are having some building work done in school. The back wall of the library has had to be taken out and rebuilt as part of a major refurbishment programme we're having done in there. Once the building work is done, a specialist company are coming in to refurbish and decorate the library. This will mean that it can be used as a teaching area and more importantly, a place where children can go and read for pleasure. Mrs Parker has been working alongside Mrs Azadeh and Mr Morris to ensure that we have a library to be proud of!

Have a great weekend all of you!

St Josephine's house led the school in prayer yesterday as they told us about St Chad's Sanctuary, and all of the work they do. Next Wednesday is the Feast Day of St Josephine so anyone who is in that house (Red) is invited to come in their own clothes - something red if you've got it.

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Our school community seems to have suffered our fair share of sadness in the last few months I'm afraid. Mrs Neilson, one of our Y6 teachers lost her mother last weekend; one of our Lunch staff also suffered similarly and I'm aware that some of our children have lost loved ones recently. I believe that our school is a wonderful place when something like that happens, and we rally round to do all we can. I'm proud of the pastoral care we provide here. Whenever we hear of such sadness, the community is strengthened in prayer and the love of Christ.

Thank you to Y3 who led the Mass this morning. Fr Gerry talked about the presentation of Jesus. He asked the children how we can bring light into the lives of others and he got some great answers back!! There is no Mass next week as Fr Gerry is away but Y1 are leading a prayer service at 9.15am and you're very welcome to join us in school.

Y6 were our top attenders last week with 97.24% - well done to them. We haven't had 100% for a while so let's up our game!!

Please see the back of the newsletter for information from WM Police and what they are doing to improve our community.

Absolute disaster for Villa on Tuesday - as bad as anything I've seen in the past 4 years. Luckily, the 6 Nations Rugby tournament kicks off this weekend so I'll concentrate on that for a few weeks!

Masses at the Cathedral are -
Saturday at 4.30pm (First Mass for Sunday)
Sunday at 9am and 11am - 5th Sunday in Ordinary time. Matthew 5:1-13-16 'No one lights a lamp and puts it under a tub; they put it on a lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house'

I am always willing to sign passport applications and other documents, but please give me a few days to complete them. Several times now, parents have dropped them off in the morning and have phoned at lunchtime and asked Mrs Adhanom if it's ready to be collected!!

 'Star of the Week' this week it is Shantarah she has produced some excellent work especially in science
'Virtues' certificate winners this week are Shanae, Noah, Lamik, Ramallah, Miriam, Gloriya & Eduardo