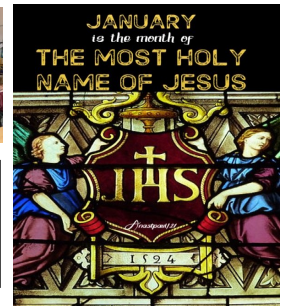


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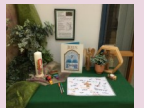
Attendance for this week: 96.99%

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

“Love Jesus, Love Learning, Love Life”

A message from Mrs Thorpe to all our families... HAPPY NEW YEAR

to you all and welcome back to the Spring Term. It is wonderful to see all our children again and hear their stories of the Christmas holidays. January is traditionally the month dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus. The name Jesus comes from the Aramaic “Yeshua” meaning “God Saves”, a reminder of the salvation that Jesus brings. Our name is a unique emblem of our dignity; I have asked the children to find out why their names were chosen by you, at (or before) their birth. Please share any stories with your child of the meaning, or significance of their beautiful names, these can be shared in school. Our prayer table this month celebrates our names; Isaiah 43:4 reminds us that God calls each of us, by name, “You are precious in my eyes”.



We have a fantastic specialist dance teacher visiting school this term. She is working with classes to deliver cross curricular dance lessons and offering a breakfast dance club for our older children. This week we've had twisty walks, hip flicks and the funky chicken as part of our Rock n' Roll dance project. The children are amazed at what they can do and the music and laughter I can hear from my office is just wonderful!



This Week's Special Awards

Well done to you all!

EYFS: Phoebe & Rory

Year 1: Isabella & Lily

Year 2: Darcy & Franklyn

Year 3: Nola & Ivy

Year 4: Aiden & Finley

Year 5: Amelia & Tori

Year 6: Layton & Lana



Thank you to everyone who donated a Christmas tree decoration last term. Our tree was adorned with family names that we celebrated together. The decorations have now been carefully packed away and will come out again next Advent. Our tree will be chopped up in Forest School to be used to make wood cookies and wheels for our technology lessons this term.

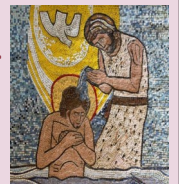


Dates for your diary...



- Tuesday 16th January**—Dance Breakfast Club starts at 8am for those children signed up in Y4/5/6.
- Tuesday 16th January**—We welcome ‘Gripping Yarns’ live storytelling company into school to work with KS2
- Wednesday 17th January** — Cheshire Phoenix Basketball Team visit us for Hoops for Health programme with Y6
- Thursday 25th January**— Parent’s Meeting for the First Holy Communion preparation programme, please see earlier letter for details
- Sunday 28th January**—Catholic primary schools singing together at 11am Mass at Our Lady’s Church

We have already celebrated two feast days in 2024, The Epiphany and The Baptism of the Lord. Both days are examples of God’s revelation of Himself in our world. They are reminders that Jesus brings us closer to God.



EYFS got 2024 started this week with the first Forest School session of the year! All the children were dressed in warm, snugly clothes which protected them from the chilly winds—thank you for your help in making sure the children have plenty of layers. The children had a great day, particularly toasting marshmallows on the fire and having hot chocolate.



FOREST SCHOOL: Next week’s Forest School class is YEAR 6 on 18/1/24

