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Fundraising for the Fek Family

The Fek family have asked us to pass on their thanks after the school community raised £314 on our Christmas jumper day for the development of their home to cater for their daughter's needs.

Every School Day Counts

All the schools in our locality have collaborated to share a clear and consistent message on the importance of attendance, Every School Day Counts. Pupils brought home a leaflet last week explaining the impact absence can have on a child's learning and detailing how parents/carers can support. It is important to be aware that all holidays in term time result in a fine in each school in our locality. Each parent is fined for each pupil in a family. For example, a family with two pupils in the school who take holiday during term time may receive a fine of £240, and this figure could rise if not paid on time.

Parent Governors

We welcome Sarah Atkinson to the school governance team following her success in the ballot at the end of last term. Adrian Reynolds will also continue serving as parent governor following the ballot.

Calculation and Cake

On Monday at 2.40pm, Mrs Hart, with the support of some pupils, will be hosting our next maths workshop for parents/carers, this time focusing on subtraction. The last session received great feedback so make sure to join us, even if it's just for cake!



Word of the Week: existence

Topic Overviews and Knowledge Mats

Topic Overviews (overviews of all the learning going on in each subject within a topic) and Knowledge Mats (the information we want pupils to understand and remember for a topic) have been added to our website for our new topics in KS1 and KS2. Don't forget that our Knowledge Mats are a great discussion starter at home to get pupils talking about their learning.

Anti-Bullying Charter and Policy

Following Anti-Bullying Week in November, the School Council and Liturgy team got together to update our charter, and our policy has also been updated. In line with our mission statement and Catholic ethos, we believe that every child has the right to feel happy, safe and secure at school and with this, the responsibility to play their part in ensuring this for others. You can find these two new documents on the [policies page](#) on our website.

Matthew 2:1-12

'For out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Diary Dates

January 2024

Mon 15 th	Clubs start
	Calculation and Cake 2.40pm
Tues 23 rd	Y2 Class Liturgy
Tues 30 th	ELS Early Reading Presentation

February 2024

Fri 2 nd	Film Night
Tues 6 th	Y1 Class Liturgy
Wed 7 th	Y4 Liturgical Dance Performance
Thurs 8 th	Second hand uniform sale
Mon 12 th - 16 th	Half Term
Mon 19 th	Return to school