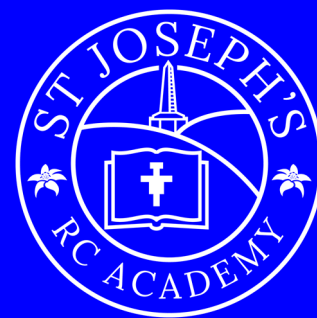


St Joseph's Journal

13TH NOVEMBER 2020



**Children in
Need**



Total raised

£127.86

Remembrance Day

Pupils could not gather in their usual way this year, however Remembrance Day was still marked with respect in each classroom this Wednesday. Our Mini Vinnies led us in prayer (pre recorded) and we all held one minute's silence at 11am.



**Inter Faith
Week**

8-15 November
www.interfaithweek.org



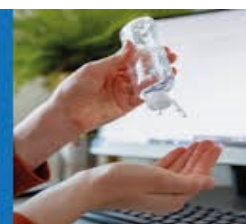
This week we celebrated Inter Faith Week (8 - 15 November). This week is an opportunity to grow in understanding of one another and to build positive relationships. The children in the upper school classes spent time looking and reflecting on the golden rule, which can be found in many faiths from around the world. They reflected and discussed a variety of questions, including: What does the golden rule mean to you? How can we live out the golden rule at Saint Joseph's? If the majority of faiths believe in the golden rule, how should we treat people from a different faith? We also linked our work to the British Value mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs.

HSE Visit

Last Tuesday, 3rd November, the Health and Safety Executive came to St Joseph's to carry out a Covid-19 Spot Check. This was to ensure that our risk assessment was in line with current Government Guidance and that we were putting in place all the necessary measures to protect both the children and our staff. As part of this procedure, Calderdale Health and Safety also joined the inspectors for the tour of the school. The outcome was they were very pleased to see everything was in place and that we had actually put in additional measures, such as members of the senior leadership team carrying out an Infection Prevention and Control Training Module and our instruction was to 'carry on as we have been doing'. Whilst it is never pleasant, feeling that you are being checked up on, we are very happy that we can continue, safe in the knowledge that our procedures have been approved and we are doing all we can.

**Coronavirus (COVID-19)
guidance: Working safely,
restarting work and being
COVID-secure**

STAY ALERT > CONTROL THE VIRUS > SAVE LIVES



Due to COVID-19 we are unable to have our joint Christmas Fair with the church this year. However, we are still going ahead with our Christmas Raffle. Tickets are going home today and are £1 each. We have, between school & church, 1000 tickets to sell.

1st Prize £100 2nd Prize £50 3rd Prize Family Hamper

This will be drawn on Friday 11th December and money will be shared between school and church.

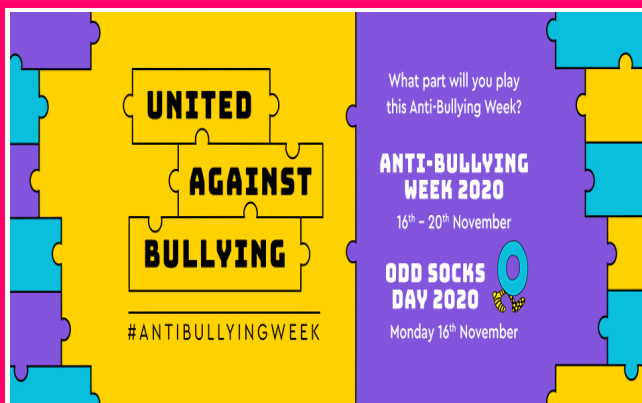
We will also be doing a spot prize in school for those pupils who return their stubs with money by 1st December. Their name will be entered in to a separate prize draw.



- Beech** Corey - Settling in well & a good start to a new term
- Cedar** Harry - Super behaviour & positive attitude to learning
- Elm** Emily - For persevering in Maths
- Larch** Lola - For being a really good class partner
- Oak** Kai - Being a really good role model



- Beech** Nihaal - Always super effort in his Maths work
- Cedar** James - Really good in his Maths work this week
- Elm** Olivia J - Trying really hard in Phonics
- Larch** Kodi - Lots of effort in his work
- Oak** Nicola - Producing a video about the worry box



This year, more than ever, we've witnessed the positive power that society can have when we tackle a common challenge. Anti bullying week is no different. Bullying has a long lasting effect on those who experience and witness it. But by challenging our collective power, through shared efforts and shared ambitions, we can reduce bullying together. From parents and carers, to teachers and politicians, to children and young people, we all have a part to play in coming together to make a difference. We're all a piece in the puzzle and together, we're united against bullying.



ROTARY CLUB SHOE BOX APPEAL
OUR SCHOOL WITH THE HELP OF THE 'MINI VINNIES' ARE TO JOIN IN AND HELP THE ROTARY CLUB IN THEIR SHOEBOX APPEAL THIS YEAR.

PLEASE CAN YOU HELP? WE NEED...

TOYS – dolls, cars, trucks, skipping ropes, yo-yo's, stuffed animals with CE label), balls and small puzzles.

STATIONARY ITEMS – colouring books, pencils, crayons and felt tips etc

HYGIENE ITEMS – toothbrush, toothpaste, bars of wrapped soap, bath bombs. Bubble bath, face flannels, hairbrush, combs and accessories

OTHER ITEMS – child hat, scarf and gloves **OR DONATION OF MONEY TO BUY ITEMS**

Any queries please see Mrs Green - we will start collecting **NOW** until **23rd November**.



In addition to Children in Need, today as a school we have been celebrating World Kindness Day. The purpose of World Kindness Day is to highlight good deeds in the community because kindness is the common thread that unites us all.

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance: 96.1%

This week's top class: Acorns 99.4 % Attendance YTD: 94.4%