SCHOOL NEWS ...this week at HOLYPORT

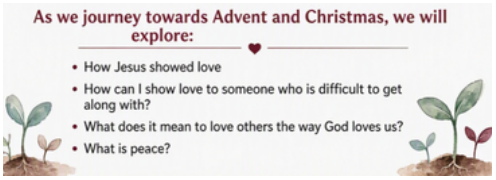


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Our vision is :
'Love Learning and Love Life ... in all its fullness". (John 10:10)
We live our vision through understanding how to grow in good soil (Parable of the Sower) & following our school values:
Term 1: Friendship
Term 2: Love & Peace
Term 3: Trust
Term 4: Responsibility
Term 5: Respect
Term 6: Creativity



"I have decided to stick with love." – Martin Luther King Jr.



Upcoming Events

- **Book Fair Arrives**
  10th November
- **Open Morning for September 2027 Intake**
  10th November at 9.30am
- **Year 2 Living Rainforest Trip**
  12th November
- **Children In Need – Wear Spotty Clothes Day**
  13th November
- **Christmas Card Design for Josh Reynolds with Maidenhead Advertiser**
  30th November at 9.30am

Message from the Head

As we reached the end of term, it was hard to believe quite how much we packed in! It feels so long ago that we started off the term, with the amazing redecoration of the hall (mural, sound system and projector, doors to the PE cupboard and a full painting makeover!) Thanks to the HSA and everyone for your donations to enable this to happen!

Then with visits to the Mosque, Winchester Science Centre, St Michael's Church and with the Living Rainforest for Year 2 and a trip to Reading Museum for Year 1 coming up, we have launched and renewed our enrichment offer this year to ensure more continuity and consistency in experiences as your child journeys through our school.

With a few sporting events, Diversity week, African drumming workshop, Superhero and WW2 days and Y6's engaging Curriculum assembly... we also had our SIAMs inspection!

SIAMs is unique to Church Schools, it helps evaluate school culture focusing on its character and values and vision. We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the process, including the children who met with the inspector and families who contributed their views. Once the report has been officially published, we will be able to share it with you.

Then finally, it was good to see so many of your at our recent Parent Consultation meetings. If you were unable to make this, please do contact your child's teacher, as the next opportunity will be in March 2027.

A plea - please do encourage anyone who may be interested in joining our school to sign up for one of our upcoming visit dates.

Best wishes,
Mrs Featherstone

Half Termly Achievers

EYFS	Nyven	**Year 4**	Lila
Year 1	Isabelle	**Year 5**	Naysha
Year 2	Zac	**Year 6**	Callum
Year 3	Ruari	**Sports**	Eoghan Y1

I spy, children busy at work!

I dropped in and saw ...

EARLY Years...

...great busy learning and focus on making uni-fix lengths, matching numbers on counters and dice onto number tracks, lots of fine motor activities some involving sorting coloured pom poms. A favourite activity was making objects out of the magnetic shapes.... quite challenging to make a unicorn I thought!

Year 2...

were working in pairs, creating poems on the theme of water, using short phrases and re-ordering these and expanding their vocabulary.

YEAR 4...

were writing information for their own brochure relating to their class story 'The Baker by the Sea'. They had enjoyed netball in PE and using different media and using tone to produce images of fruit.

YEAR 6...

were starting their novel 'Windrush Child', exploring the blurb and using their vocabulary vines, to discover the meaning of some complex vocabulary - such as 'tribulations'. They are exploring cross curricular links with their other text, 'Beetle Boy', it was lovely to hear from 3 children sharing how they had explored a quote from Charles Darwin talking about how he felt hearing of a discovery of a new beetle!

YEAR 1...

...were learning about primary colours and mixing these to create the secondary colours, using brushes of various thickness to see the different brush strokes. Last term they were also learning about timelines - events within living memory and outside of living memory.

YEAR 3...

were writing booklets about taking care of our planet. They were giving great answers on how to save energy in the home and at school and also about reducing pollution from car exhausts.

YEAR 5...

had really enjoyed their visit to the Mosque in Maidenhead. They learned about different parts of the mosque and how it was used for worship. In Art, they had made some stuffed toys and a had a really good display of their robots sitting atop their lockers, which was linked to "Robot Girl".

BBC Children in Need - Spotty Clothes Day

On Friday 13th November, our school will be helping the BBC with their Children in Need Day to help raise money to support disadvantaged children and young people across the country. To join in the fun, we are inviting all children to come into school wearing spotty clothes or something bright and cheerful in exchange for a £1 donation.

Thank you for to the school councillors for this idea and for your support with this important charity.

Mrs Hutchinson-May and the School Councillors

Dates for your Diary

All dates are added to our online calendar on our website.

Term 2	
10/11 9.30am	Open Morning for Sept 2027 Intake
10/11	Book Fair Arrives
12/11	Year 2 Living Rainforest Trip
13/11	BBC Children in Need Spotty Clothes Day
16/11	Anti-Bullying Week & Odd Socks Day
17/11	School Photographs
18/11 8.45-10.15	Parent Partnership Meetings
20/11	HSA Break the Rulz Day
24/11 9.30am	Open Morning for Sept 2027 Intake
27/11	HSA Year 2 Cake Sale
1/12 8.45-10.15	Parent Partnership Mtgs
1/12	Year 6 Height & Weight Check
2/12 8.50am	Year 1 Christingle Assembly - Parents Welcome
4/12	HSA Disco

