

St. Aidan's Stars Bulletin

In the Love and Truth of Jesus we grow



What a fantastic first week back!

It has been lovely to see the children back in school this week. I've spent the majority of it looking at how our approach to teaching and learning has been embedded and checking on the progress of some of the improvements we have made to the maths, science, geography and history curriculums. There is some fantastic learning going on and the children speak so positively about what goes on in the classrooms and having such enthusiastic, hard-working and engaged learners certainly makes our job easier. Such special little people...

Well done to Year 3 who lead Mass so well this morning with Fr Shaun.

Have a lovely weekend! Mr Moran.

Class News

Seedlings – This week we have welcomed seven new friends to our class. They have all settled in beautifully. Well done to everyone for adapting to changes so well. ③

Saplings – This week we have been learning about vets and what they do. We have had a lot of fun exploring our vet surgery roleplay area and looking after different animals.

Sycamores – This week we have been learning about fact families in Maths. We have been exploring explanation texts in Literacy and the features included.

Poplars – This week we have been having fun learning about money. Go shopping and get your child to pay with pounds and pence!

Maples – This week Maple class have worked super hard and welcomed the New Year in with a wonderful Class Mass.

Elms – Elm class have settled back into class amazingly this week. We have really enjoyed exploring our new geography topic, Mountains and Rivers, and using our map skills to locate mountain landscapes in the UK.

Hawthorns – Year 5 have had a fantastic first week back. We've really enjoyed introducing our new topics like Materials in Science and energy in geography.

Chestnuts – Chestnuts have made some excellent effort in understanding Geography this week whilst also mastering some basic skills in Maths.



Our fantastic award winners this week – given for lots of wonderful things, please ask why if your child was a winner.

<u>Attendance</u>

Saplings – 93.10% Sycamores – 95.33% Poplars – 95.00% Maples – 96.33% Elms – 92.67% **Hawthorns – 98.00%**

Chestnuts – 93.94%

Well done to Miss Farrar's class this week. The attendance for the term has now been reset so any class could win the treat just before the Easter holidays!

Special mentions this week go to Joel for being player of the match in football, Noah A for being scouted by Sunderland, Ella R for gymnastics, Lennox for 3 football trophies, Teanni for gymnastics, Clara for getting a yellow belt in Karate, Harley whose new house is ready to move in to, William W for attending a Christmas football camp, Frankie for playing in a New Year's football match, Marcus for being dancer of the year and bringing in the biggest trophy we have ever seen, Liam B for getting a brown belt in karate, Rhys for scoring 2 goals in football, Estee for getting a 12 Days of Christmas badge at Rainbows, Lochlan for achieving his targets this week and playing bingo for the first time, Dan for learning how to make a carbonara from scratch, Jack S for getting an orange belt in karate, Frazer for being lodge leader at Beavers and a huge good luck to Emmie, Lily K and Molly R who are dancing at the Tyne Theatre on Sunday to help raise money for Blood cancer and Prostate cancer. Well done everyone!