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Dear Parents and children,
This week we have welcomed back some more pupils. Thank you for helping to make this a smooth process. The children have enjoyed being back in their bubbles and seeing some of their friends again. We are hearing how lots of you are making good use of the IXL online resource. Congratulations to those who have gained an award already. We have been busy putting together all our arrangements for September. Next week I will be sending out information about your child's class for next year. Have a lovely weekend

Warmest Regards

Mrs Yuen

Home Learning – Week 11 “Around the World”

The project this week aims to provide opportunities for your child to learn more about countries and cities around the world. Learning may focus on different cultures and traditions, famous landmarks, food and clothing.



Please continue to use IXL the personalised online programme. If you have any problems with logging in, please contact the school office.

Ways to keep in touch and receive information

Important Notice

Please remember to download the School Gateway APP. This is our main way of communicating with you

Schoolgateway



Email us on:

admin@stmaryscatholicprimary.northants.sch.uk

Send Your Good News

Stories to:

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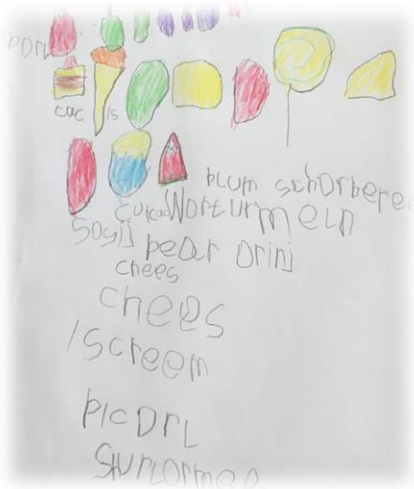
We would love to hear from you and possibly a photo too so we can put it in future editions.

News From the community

We have received beautiful pictures from a Year 1 child this week. She loved finding out about Mary Seacole as her Significant Person. After writing about her, she made a medal and drew a picture of Mary Seacole in her Victorian Uniform. What wonderful pictures. Keep up this amazing learning!



Year R have been enjoying their new classroom and have worked really hard at their new grown up desks! We have explored two of our favourite stories, The Very Hungry Caterpillar and The Gruffalo! We wrote shopping lists for the caterpillar and drew our favourite characters from the Gruffalo. We enjoyed two PE lessons with Mr Flanagan practicing our athletics skills. Our favourite part of each day was eating outside and enjoying the sunshine



Message from our School Chaplain

'I often wonder where my inspiration will come from for my words each week.'

This week it came from a hard-working Year 4 pupil in one of our schools. He had written about the determination of a young footballer who used his own life experiences to influence positive change in the world.

A news story appeared on my phone moments after seeing his work about the very same person, Marcus Rashford, who I had never heard of until now!

By the time you read this, you will all know him! Marcus has recently become a voice for those in our communities who need support more than ever in these difficult times. He knows from personal experience what it is like to depend on school meal vouchers and food banks.

After the government had confirmed that it would not provide free school meals for the summer, Marcus Rashford appealed to them to "make a U-turn" and protect the lives of some of the most vulnerable in society.

"Ten years ago, I would have been one of those children and you would never have heard my voice and seen my determination to become part of the solution. Food poverty in England is a pandemic which could span generations if we don't correct the course now."

Although Marcus was making a plea to the politicians to listen to the cry of those reaching out for help, for him it is not about the politics, it is about humanity. However, the good news about this story is that the government has reversed its decision! What an amazing young man, using his high-profile status as a Manchester United and England footballer to inspire the young people of today! I noted also that he has teamed up with the charity 'FareShare UK', the UK's largest charity fighting hunger and food waste. Again, this is a charity which I did not know until recently. You may already know that at Thomas Becket School, the Canteen has been temporarily renamed as the 'Community Larder'. Through our connections with Shop Zero, the charity FareShare UK are also being a tremendous support to the volunteers of this venture. I love connections!

In these troubled times we should celebrate the young people of our country taking up the baton, fighting for social justice, inspiring the children in our schools to care and make a difference in the world.
God bless,



