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Dear Parents and Carers,

**WE'VE
CHANGED
LIVES**
WE ARE THE
MACMILLAN
CAFÉ SUPPORT

As you know, last Friday we had a **MacMillan coffee morning** and I promised to let you know how much we raised. It was a very successful event with some wonderful choices of cakes! Thank you for taking the time to donate, bake or attend our coffee morning, there was a real buzz in the hall seeing everyone come together over a cup of tea. It was lovely to see some of our parishioners at the event too. I am pleased to announce that, so far, we have made **£221.97** for this very deserving charity. It's not too late to donate – simply text JAM XDK1 (our school's unique code) to 70550. One text = £5. Congratulations to Tom Blair and Mrs Greig our raffle winners and Carina Leal who guessed the height of the cake.

What Learning is happening next week?

YEAR R

The Early Years children were very excited to take home their first library books this week. These books are for you to share at home for a week and need to be returned every Monday so the children can choose a new book. Please don't forget as some of us have already decided which book we are taking home next time!!

Next week we are going to be looking at our topic "All About Me" in more detail. It would be wonderful if you can help us with our kick start by sending in a named photograph of your child as a baby. We will certainly enjoy matching up the photos to our very grown up Ladybirds and Caterpillars.

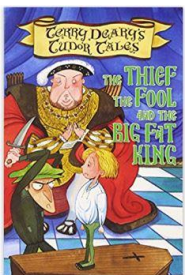


YEAR 1/2

This half term year 1 and 2 have a really big focus on revising our phase 5 sounds in our spelling lessons to fill any gaps from year one. Our children know these sounds off by heart but we have really been working on applying these sounds correctly in our writing. A really great interactive resource that our children can be using at home to practise themselves is www.phonicsplay.co.uk. Please see the phase 5 section.

I know a lot of parents have been asking about maths homework for our children. Our year 2 children will be kicking off with DoodleMaths very soon. However we would like to give them a few more weeks to settle in and then the lower KS2 children will be coming to show them just what to do.

YEAR 3/4



Next week we will be applying our skills of place value to learn a range of mental addition strategies involving adding single digit numbers, adding on multiples of 10 and adding on multiples of 100 onto 3 and 4 digit numbers. In English, we will be continuing our work on varying sentences starters to state where something had happened. We will be applying this skill to write newspaper articles linked to our class reader 'The Thief, the Fool, and the Big Fat King'.

YEAR 5/6

Next week in reading children will be continuing to work on their inference skills where they will use a variety of texts to infer characters thoughts and motives from their actions. In English the Year 5 children will be planning a stand-alone piece of writing based on the Second World War. Towards the end of the week all Year 5/6 children will be learning how to use semi colons to separate clauses and colons to introduce a list.

Next week year 6 pupils will be undertaking mock SATS in reading, maths and spelling, punctuation and grammar. This will help teachers to judge where children are currently at and which areas need addressing.

In maths at the start of the week year 5 pupils will focus on place value reasoning. Later in the week both year 5 and year 6 children will practise the written method for division.

FATHER STEVEN'S LAST MASS

This Sunday will be Father Steven's last Mass at 11am. There will be a tea party for him 3-5pm in the school hall. Access through the back gates. Please join us.

PREMIER LEAGUE PRIMARY STARS

This week we received a very exciting collection of sporting equipment to support our children's all skills. From high quality footballs, to pop up goals, hoops, bibs and cones. These resources were donated by the Premier League and a free collection of resource such as these are a wonderful gift for us. Our thanks go to Mrs Matuszewski for drawing this opportunity to our attention.

SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS

We are very lucky to have such a well-resourced school library, with our own librarian Mrs Cockram. On a weekly basis, each class visits our school library and they can choose a book to take home. I am aware that many children borrowed books for their summer holiday. Please could you check at home, under the bed, in toy boxes and on book cases, to see if you have any school library books as we do have a large number missing. Thank you for your help.

Best Class Attendance week commencing 18th September 2017

Mrs Bennett and Mrs Blowes 100%

Golden Book Entries	
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Emilia (Caterpillars)	For some super 'have a go' writing about her boat and cat
Adrian (Ladybirds)	For some super writing labelling his house
Miggy (Yr 6 SG)	For very powerful language structure
Mia (Yr 1 CP)	For writing an exciting story about aliens and underpants

Diary Dates – Please see website for further details	
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Sunday 1st October 9.00	Fr Steven's last St. Joseph's Mass
Sunday 1st October 11.00	Fr Steven's last Corpus Christi Mass
Sunday 1st October 3.00 p.m.	Farewell Tea for Fr Steven in CC Community Hall
Thursday 5th October 2.45 p.m.	Year 3/4 KB/PB Class Assembly
Friday 6th October 9.30 a.m.	Year 3/4 Mass
Friday 6th October 9.15 and 1.30	Open day sessions for prospective parents

Thank you,

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