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'The Best for Every Child -a Unique Child of God'
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Dear Parent / Carers

Our Christian Value this term is **Trust**

Our Ethos Statement this week is: **Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6**

Spring Term

Happy New Year – I really hope that your Christmas break was filled with lots of opportunities to catch up with friends and family.

The spring term has certainly roared in like a lion! Thank you for bearing with us during this prolonged period of snow and ice. We really do try to weigh up what is safest for everyone during the occasions when snow falls in Cookridge – such as getting everyone into the building in the best possible way. Hopefully next week we will be experiencing a heat wave! Who knows ☺

We celebrated Mass in school this week. Our children had a wonderful time playing in the snow this week – thank you for sending wellies into school they have been well used.

Unfortunately, we missed our first Praying Parents meeting due to the late start on Wednesday. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 5th February – if you have time please come and join us.

Pupil of the Week

RB Our pupil of the week is Mavie Morris. Mavie has been chosen for her positive attitude towards her learning, especially with regards to her reading. She has really impressed us with the motivation and determination she shows. Her recent pieces of writing show how she is using the skills that she has learnt from her phonics. Well done Mavie ☺	RC This week our pupil of the week is Isabelle Wilkinson. Isabelle has come back to school enthusiastic and ready to learn. Isabelle has impressed me with her knowledge in our Understanding the World topic, her behaviour is always outstanding and she is a pleasure to have in class. Well done Isabelle, keep up the great work! ☺
1K 1K's pupil of the week is Hattie. Hattie is an	1RC Our pupil of the week is Maisie Dickinson.

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<p>enthusiastic learner who has impressed me with her answers to questions this week. She has been working really hard in all lessons but especially English where we have been looking at winter poems. Hattie can identify rhyming words and answer comprehension questions independently. Keep up the great work Hattie, well done 😊</p>	<p>Maisie has made a great start to this term. She always listens and works hard. This week we have been impressed with her lovely ideas in English lessons where we have been learning about Poetry, and also her contributions to discussions about our new Science topic of Winter. Maisie follows our school rules and is a kind friend to everyone. Well done! 😊</p>
<p>2J Our pupil of the week this week is Rory. Rory has been really impressing me this week in all lessons. He's returned after the break with enthusiasm and is putting his hand up to answer lots of questions. I've noticed an improvement in his handwriting already which is great to see and he's making a great effort at learning how to tell the time. Rory is a kind and compassionate member of our class too and is a great friend to others. Well done Rory, keep it up!!</p>	<p>2S This week we've chosen Eloise as our pupil of the week in 2S. Eloise has come back with a smile on her face and such a positive attitude towards everything we're doing, which is wonderful to see. She has really impressed us with her reading skills and is working so hard on her handwriting and presentation. We can't wait to see all the progress you're going to make this term. Keep up all your fabulous effort Eloise, well done! 😊</p>
<p>3R This week I have chosen Ahmed as my pupil of the week. Ahmed has come on leaps and bounds since the start of the year and has made brilliant progress with his learning. His handwriting has greatly improved and the effort he is putting into all his work is amazing! He is a lot more confident now and displays a can-do attitude which is great to see. He has written some fantastic sentences this week describing a woolly mammoth and we are all super proud of him! Well done Ahmed 😊</p>	<p>3W This week in 3W we have chosen Yvonne as our pupil of the week. Yvonne is always making the right choices and is such a kind and caring member of the class. She has shown great determination with her maths and her confidence is continually increasing. This shows as she is contributing more and sharing her ideas across a range of subjects. Well done Yvonne, keep up the good work! 😊</p>
<p>4W This week, 4W's Pupil of the Week is Freddie Heath. Despite the disruption due to the weather, Freddie has started 2025 with a fantastic attitude. He has come into school ready to learn and work hard. I have been really impressed with his diligence in our maths lessons, sharing his thinking and really challenging himself, too. He has also produced some excellent English work linked to our learning on graphic novels. Well done, Freddie! 😊</p>	<p>4S This week in 4S our pupil of the week is Esme. Her attitude to learning has been amazing since coming back to school and we have been really impressed with all of her amazing work that she has produced in every lesson. We have been particularly impressed with her enthusiasm in English lessons when starting our new graphic novel topic and are being wowed by her own artistic skills and imagination! Well done Esme, keep up the amazing work! 😊</p>
<p>5L My 5L Pupil of the Week is Daisy Dowling for a wonderful start to our new half term!</p>	<p>5K I have chosen Florence Rogers as my pupil of the week. Florence has returned to</p>

<p>Daisy has shown great maturity during our new PSHE unit, carefully responding to our questions. Daisy has also shown a keen interest in our narrative poem, The Highwayman, producing detailed writing using metaphors and personification as part of this. Well done Daisy for a great week of learning! 😊</p>	<p>school with a renewed enthusiasm for the next half term. She has shown resilience in her maths this week where we have been multiplying 3 digit numbers, as well as offering some really thoughtful ideas in our PSHE discussion yesterday. Well done Florence for all of your hard work this week 😊</p>
<p>6C Maya Zelikson for her incredible efforts at the beginning of term and throughout all of Year 6. She always works diligently and consistently demonstrates effort, hard work and respect. In the class she always has meaningful and relevant comments to add to our class discussions. Around school, she offers invaluable help to keep the school running smoothly. Well done Maya! keep up the hard work and fantastic help around school! 😊</p>	<p>6E Megan Pierce is our pupil of the week this week. She has had a superb return to school; diligently re-starting her Y6 and school roles without fuss. She has shown maturity and effort in all lessons and has been a perfect example to the class with her behaviour and attitude, as always! Keep it up! 😊</p>

Dates for your diary

Mon 13 Jan – Year 4 Holy Communion Meeting 3:30pm in class 4W
 Thur 16 Jan – Year 5 Planetarium (in school) information to follow
 w/c 20 Jan – Art Week
 27 Jan – Art Exhibition (3:30 to 4:15pm)
 w/c 3 Feb – Mental Health Week
 Fri 14 Feb – Number Day (information below)
 Fri 14 Feb – school closes for half term

PTA Dates for your diary

w/c 3 Feb – Friendship bracelet week (part of mental health week)
 Fri 7 Feb – Friendship Disco (information to follow)

Number Day – Fri 14th February

Advance notice! On Friday 14th February, the last day of half term, we will be celebrating Number Day, an annual event at Holy Trinity. The day involves lots of number fun in school, and we ask the children to dress up in something number related - dress as a digit!

You can go 'all out' with a costume and come as a coin, a calculator, a dice...or just wear something with a number on it - a football shirt, a t-shirt, make a creative headpiece - whatever you're comfortable in 😊



We will also be introducing Numbots and Times Tables Rockstars which will be replacing Mathletics as our online learning platform for Maths practice at home from March...more to follow about this.

Online safety

Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership, West Yorkshire Police and partners have launched a campaign to encourage parents to have conversations with their children about their online activity.



Talk to your child about staying safe online

Most of us tend to think of our online and offline lives as separate, but children today are growing up with technology and the internet as a natural part of their lives. To them there isn't a separation. It's all just life. The internet is now part of the real world.

Talking to your child about what they do online is just as important as asking where they are going when they go out with their friends. It can be difficult starting the conversation with your child about their online activities. Technology keeps changing and you might find it overwhelming trying to keep up with it all, but you don't need to. You just need to take an interest in what apps and games your child is using. That's the best place to start.

Your child might not want to share anything with you at first, but keep trying.

Having honest and open conversations with your child and speaking to them regularly about what they are doing online, could be crucial in giving your child the confidence to tell you if they have seen something that makes them feel uncomfortable or may highlight someone who is wanting to cause harm.

See the attached leaflet for some helpful tips on how to start the conversation.

Milk Bottle Lids

Year 1 are creating moving vehicles in January and need lots of milk bottle lids for the wheels. Please save any over the holidays and send into school in the new year.

Thank you 😊

Art Week

Art Week is 20th - 24th January and the theme is 'Green Faith, Green Future?' which links to climate change. Details of the exhibition will be sent out in the new year. There will also be an Eco Warriors competition which children can complete at home and bring their entries into school during Art Week - these will also be displayed at the exhibition.

Eco Warriors Competition

Create a piece of Art from recycled materials. One person's rubbish is another person's treasure!
Here are some examples below:



Mathletics

This week the top 10 mathletes in school are:

1. Jack Woodruff
2. Nafisatu Sulaiman
3. Nathaniel Chipampe
4. Alice Williams
5. Evanah Abidian
6. Isobel Bannister
7. Angel Philips
8. Oliver Graham
9. Simone Ladinetti
10. Ben Graham

The trophies are awarded to 2J and 3R

Golden Welly



This week the Golden Welly Award was awarded to **all of year 5**, Well done!

Cath Hellings
Headteacher