



Runnymede St Edward's Catholic Primary School



Inspire



Challenge



Support



Faith

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This week in Preschool, we talked about making good choices and trying to stay on Jesus' path, even in the little moments of our day—just like Jesus teaches us. As part of learning about what life was like when Jesus was a boy, the children got to taste honey and bread, imagining the simple foods families might have eaten long ago. We also began creating the background for Jesus' Garden, a special space we are making where Jesus welcomes everyone. To wrap up our week, we had lots of fun playing with the parachute, working together and building our blending skills.



Another fun and busy week in Reception. We have been looking at partitioning the number 7 in maths, we loved making towers with cubes to show this. We have started 'Little Red Riding Hood' for our Literacy and enjoyed writing our shopping lists for all the things Grandma needs. We have also been exploring birds and what happens to them in Winter. We learned about migration and went on a bird watching walk!



This term in PSHE we have been focusing on our dreams and goals. We learned that achieving our goals often means working together and supporting each other. We read 'Ellie's Magic Wellies', which showed us how teamwork and determination can help you overcome challenges. After reading the story, we worked with a partner to design our own pair of magic wellies. This activity was all about sharing ideas, listening to each other, and combining our strengths to create something imaginative and unique.



In RE this week, Year 2 have been thinking about Prayers of Repentance and how we can bring ourselves closer to God by saying sorry for our wrong choices. We wrote our own prayers to God using the words from the Act of Contrition. In DT, we carefully designed and made hand puppets using lots of different materials and learning new skills sewing our puppet together. We have had lots of fun telling stories to our friends using our puppets. In Maths, we have been learning about the value of coins and making amounts in different ways. We loved using the resources to bring our learning to life! Lastly, during our PSHE topic this term, we have been thinking about our goals for 2026 and what we can do to achieve them. We know that it

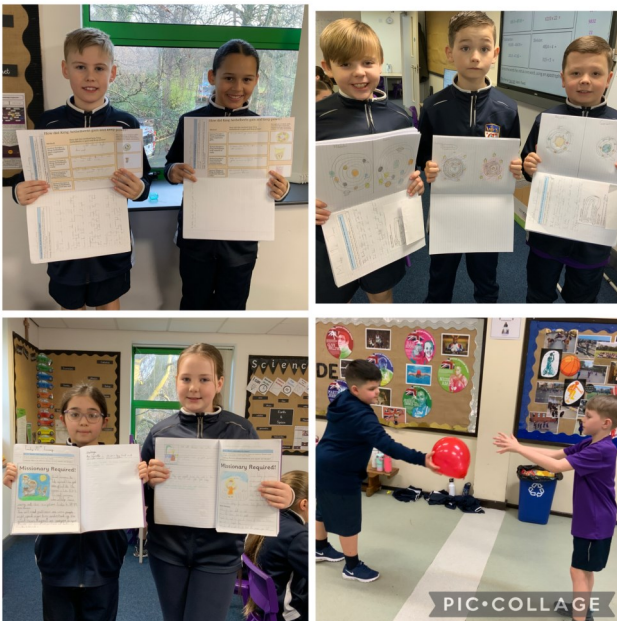
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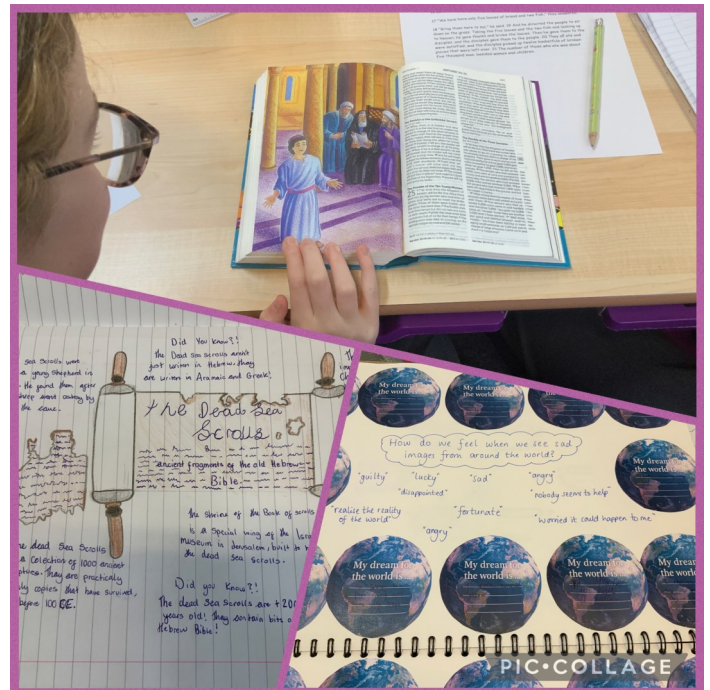
This week Year 3 have enjoyed a session with LSSP, using their listening and communication skills. In Science, they investigated the properties of different rocks. In PSHE, Year 3 were able to 'paws' for thought and discuss their dreams and goals.



Year 4 welcomed students from John Moores University this week to teach us all about recycling and sustainability. We thought about what we can do at home and school to protect the planet, and each made an earth pledge. We finished off by making some beautiful bracelets from recycled plastic bags!



In History, Y5 have been looking at historical sources that show King Aethelberht's power during his reign. In History, we have been exploring the differences between the Heliocentric and Geocentric model of the solar system. In RE, we have been discussing what qualities Jesus was looking for when choosing his apostles to spread the good news and finally, we began our Volleyball lessons with students from John Moores University.



This week in Year 6, we have been discussing our hopes and dreams for the world, discussing how fortunate we are compared to children around the world. We spoke about how our dreams can make the world a better place and what we could do to make a change for children less fortunate than ourselves.



junior parkrun

Congratulations to those pupils who following our recent Junior Parkrun Assembly participated in this weekly event! They braved the chilly weather to complete the 2K course, well done!



Sport

Well done to Oliver in Year 5 who recently competed in the Pentathlon GB Schools Biathlon qualifying event in Hull. The day consisted of an 800m run followed by a 50m Freestyle swim.

Despite some very tough competition, Oliver was placed second and has qualified for the **national finals** in Bath in March.

Well done, Oliver! A fantastic achievement, good luck in the finals!



Instagram

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We would be very grateful if you can like and share our posts!



Tuesday Toast Tuck Shop

For ease, toast payments will now be made via Arbor.

We have 3 weeks remaining, therefore there will be a £3 payment. Please pick 'one' in the quantity box per child.

Please visit our school shop on our website for this.

Unfortunately we are unable to make any refunds due to absence.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the pastoral team (Mrs O'Donnell or Mrs Minogue).



United Nations

REYN First challenge – tell us what you think education should be like!

REYN is a network of young people in education. It connects you with the United Nations' work on education in three ways:

1. You share your ideas and concerns about your education.
2. Special Rapporteur lets the world know what young people have to say about their education and their future.
3. Special Rapporteur informs you about the recent news and projects.

Together we co-create education of today and tomorrow. **Learn more about the Right to Education Youth Network – #REYN**

Please click [here](#) to contribute your ideas!



School Council

Our School Council, Head Boy & Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy & Deputy Head Girl met with Miss Peaston and Mr Dilworth this week.

They enjoyed hot chocolate, toast and biscuits!

The children shared their wonderful ideas and positive comments about all what they enjoy in our school.

I was so proud to hear how confident and eloquently our Young Edwardians spoke.



Over half of our tickets have now sold in our 'School Shop' on Arbor!

Don't delay—Buy your ticket today to support our wonderful event!

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- RB:** Lily M for great imaginative play and Jack H for great use of vocabulary when building.
- RP:** Reeny Rae B for making a great effort to be sensible and make good choices and Thomas M for sharing brilliant animals facts and teaching the class new things.
- 1S:** Eadie A for consistently giving her best and setting a positive example for others and Elliot H for amazing independent Reading.
- 1W:** Lily F for excellent reading Ivy G for being kind.
- 2H:** Louisa P for fabulous Maths work and Theo C for being very helpful around class.
- 2W:** Isabella R for writing a wonderful prayer in R.E and Liza S B for excellent handwriting.
- 3D:** Amalie S for lovely sentence work in English and Raife D for lovely joined writing.
- 3Mc:** Penn B for his amazing work in Maths and Penny L for being a great role model and always trying her best in everything she does.
- 4D:** Caleb H for excellent work on short multiplication and Teddy I for working hard on writing a mythical narrative and editing his work.
- 4Mc:** Jax M for listening carefully in class and sharing lots of facts about John the Baptist and Alexander B for showing great effort and determination to improve his handwriting.
- 5N:** Joshua A for showing great understanding in Maths when multiplying fractions and Joseph D G for showing great concentration, focus and enthusiasm in all lessons.
- 5T:** Jacob F for representing the school well during Football and Ava G for showing volleyball skills.
- 6D:** Deter S for his hard work and concentration this week and Rose-Ellen T for her beautiful pride and presentation of her work in every lesson.



Attendance—Our target is 97%

Monday 19th January until Friday -
23rd January 2026

is as follows:

97.39%

Every day in school is a step towards success—
thank you for helping your child be here, ready to
shine!

RB:	1S:	2H:	3D:	4D:	5N:	6D:
92.5%	93.75%	93.5%	96.75%	98.5%	94.75%	98.25%
RP:	1W:	2W:	3Mc:	4Mc:	5T:	
97.5%	97.25%	100%	98.25%	99.5%	96.5%	

Happy birthday to all children who have had a
birthday last week! We hope you had a lovely
day!



Joseph P, Sonny M, Mikey E K, Alexia A &
Rafael N M

Week commencing 26th January

Monday	Y1, Y3, & Y5 PE
Tuesday	Y2, Y4 & Y6 PE
Wednesday	Ukulele with Mr Tallant
Thursday:	REC PE
Friday	KS2 Swimming