## PUPIL POST



Welcome back to a new school year

10<sup>th</sup> September 2023 EDUCATION SUNDAY



We are called to be the hands and face of Jesu as we learn, love and grow together. Amen







### INSET day 2: Monday 4th Sep 2023

### WELCOME BACK!

#### **Care of Creation**

1st September - 4th October



Staff getting ready for their second INSET day were excited to see the children and their families on Tuesday

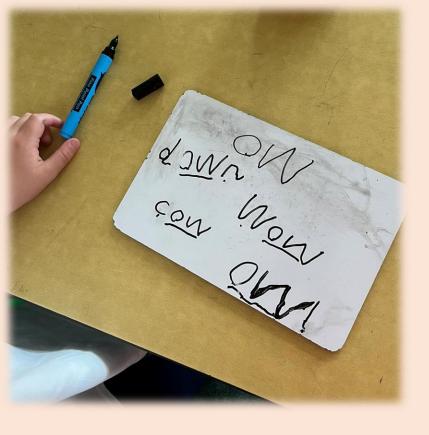


# A lovely buzz around the school on Tuesday; it was great to be back!





Mistral class enjoyed singing and circle time. They are all settling well into Year 1.

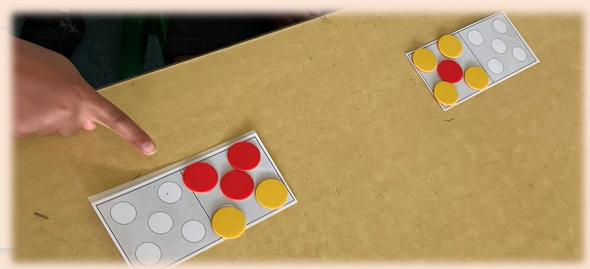






Lots of phonic practice, making 5, and of course saying thank you to God at the end of the week.

Well done Year One!!





















Thank you to Year 1 and Year 6 for their beautiful work ready for Education Sunday.



#### PSA NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2023

Firstly, welcome back to the new school year, we hope you all had a wonderful summer. We look forward to seeing the work begin on the new KS1 library following the success of our fundraising last year where we raised a massive £13,560.35! We will keep you posted with details of our next fundraising project soon.

We have lots of exciting events coming up this term and as always, we will need your support ensure that they can run and are a success. Please get in touch with one of our PSA members if you can volunteer.

#### Dates for our Autumn term events are as follows:

Monday 18th September - PSA meeting 7pm school hall

Friday 22nd September - second hand uniform sale after school

Friday 29th September- back to school disco - details below

Thursday 6th October - Bags2school collection - morning drop off

Friday 6th October - year 6 cake sale after school

Friday 20th October - non uniform day

Friday 3rd November - glow toys sale after school

Friday 17th November - quiz night (evening)

Friday 24th November - pre loved Christmas jumper sale after school

Wednesday 29 November - wreath making evening

Friday 8th December - Christmas disco

### WELCOME BACK!

Please see our newsletter for our autumn term PSA fundraising event dates

DISCO TICKETS - Back to school disco tickets for our disco on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September are now available to buy please visit <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/svdppsa">https://www.pta-events.co.uk/svdppsa</a>

Infants (Reception – year 2) will run from 6-7pm and juniors (year 3 -year 6) will be 7:15-8:30pm.

To ensure the safety and success of this event we ask that you pre book your child's place by **10PM ON FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2023**. Please ensure you use your child's name for the booking name and include the correct class name to ensure their disco ticket is distributed to them via the register/bookbag. Tickets are non-refundable and non-transferable for risk assessment reasons.

The cost is £4.50 (plus a small booking fee) and includes unlimited squash/water. PLEASE NOTE BOOKINGS CAN ONLY BE MADE VIA THIS WEBSITE AND CANNOT BE MADE VIA THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR VIA CASH. ONCE THE BOOKINGS HAVE CLOSED, THEY WILL NOT BE REOPENED. Drinks, crisps, sweets, glitter tattoos and glow toys will also on sale.

We look forward to working with you all this year and hope to raise lots of money for the school and our children.

Your PSA Team

Thank you to SVdP PSA and all the families at SVdP school.

Mr. White used his gift vouchers for a family day out to 'Zip World' at Penrith Quarry in Wales.

They had a blast of a time between quarry karting and the big zip wire!

Thank you!



# We've just received our latest Easyfundraising cheque!

This is a fantastic way to help raise funds for the PSA whilst doing your online shopping and at no extra cost to you.

Please use this link to sign up:

St Vincent De Paul PSA - Herts

Fundraising | Easyfundraising

Thank you to everyone who also
supported our fundraising by buying
their name labels through My
NameTags. We've just received a
cheque for £39!









#### Stevenage School Games Mark

2022-23 Roll of Honour



# Stevenage School Games Mark

Platinum retained for 22/23
Bedwell School, Trotts Hill, Giles
Junior, Round Diamond
St. VINCENT DE PAUL







Many families are finding it hard to make ends meet at the moment, but there's help and information on hand if you need it.

This page has local and national information to help you manage your finances, make savings and look after your own wellbeing, visit <a href="https://buff.ly/3XY5cXU">https://buff.ly/3XY5cXU</a>

#### The Sandbox

is a new service in Herts to support children and young people with their mental health and wellbeing. It has a website, with games, worksheets, group chats and online events.

Signing up is easy and you don't need a referral.

More info:

https://buff.ly/3nJAHXC



#### **SEND** News

Keeping you up-to-date with Hertfordshire's SEND information (including HAND)







Did you know that <a href="@Contactfamilies">@Contactfamilies</a>
offer a range of free workshops and info sessions for parents including these on <a href="Speech">Speech</a>, <a href="Language">Language</a> and <a href="Communication">Communication</a>, which you can book on eventbrite:.

https://buff.ly/3E2ouCg



#### **CYP Therapy Service**

For queries about occupational therapy, physiotherapy and speech and language therapy

Tel: 01923 470680 (Option 3) The Children and Young
People's Integrated Therapy
Service has a single number for
any query relating to children's
services for occupational
therapy, physiotherapy, and
speech and language therapy.
You find also advice and info on
their website:

https://buff.ly/42AIFmJ

# YOUNGMINDS fighting for young people's mental health



Some children may be feeling anxious about the return to school.

This guidance on Emotionally Based School Avoidance, from the Educational Psychology team, might help parents know how to support their child. https://buff.ly/3Tgedsk.

If your child is anxious about going back to school, here are some things you can do to support them and encourage them to talk about how they are feeling.

What To Do If Your Child Is
Anxious About School |
YoungMinds

At any given time up to 40% of adults and 50% of children (this rises to 80% with a SEND diagnosis) have difficulties with their sleep. The specialist trained sleep advisors at the National Sleep Helpline can help with your problems.

National Sleep Helpline The Sleep Charity



CALL US

03303 530 541





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### Education Sunday- 10<sup>th</sup> September

We pray for children and young people in our parish and in our school. Fill them with hope, courage, and determination to face new and exciting challenges and experiences as we start our new school year.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.



#CelebrateYourSchoolInChurch #EducationSunday

Jesus said to his disciples, "If your brother does something against you, point out his fault to him when the two of you are alone together. If he listens to you, then you have won your brother back. But if he does not listen to you, then you should take one or two others along with you, so that every word you say may be confirmed by them. If he still refuses to listen, tell the whole church community; and if he even refuses to listen to the Church, treat him as an outcast. I tell you truly, if two of you on earth agree what to ask for, then my Father in heaven will grant it. If two or three come together in my name, there I am with them."

Taken from the Gospel of Sunday 10th September. Matt. 18:15-20 (the 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A)

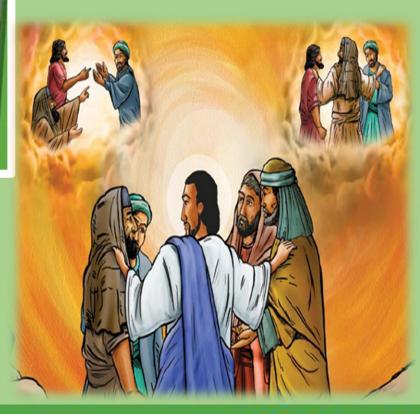
"Let us all become people of reconciliation and peace!"

"Do I take the Gospel message of reconciliation and love into the places where I live and work?" Pope Francis

Please read and reflect together upon this week's gospel.

The theme is

**RECONCILIATION** 



Dear Lord Jesus, help us always to be ready to make peace and to be reconciled with our friends, neighbours and with you - to live together in harmony and happiness. Amen.

#### Monday, 11 September

14:30 Yr 3 Parent Meeting

#### Tuesday, 12 September

14:30 Yr 2 Parent Meeting

#### Friday, 15 September

14:30 Yr1 parent Meeting

15:30 Yr 6 Parent Meeting

#### Tuesday, 19 September

14:30 Reception Parent Meeting

#### Thursday, 21 September

14:30 Yr 4 Parent Meeting

15:30 Yr 5 Parent meeting

## DIARY DATES

Friday, 22 September

**PSA Uniform Sale** 

Friday, 29 September

PSA Disco

Friday, 20 October

15:15 Break Up for Half Term

#### Term Dates September 2023 - July 2024

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Autumn Term - 5th September 2023 - 20th December 2023

Half Term: Monday 23rd October 2023 - Friday 27th October 2023

Spring Term - 8th January 2024 - 28th March 2024

HalfTerm: Monday 19th February 2024 - Friday 23rd February 2024

Summer Term - 15th April 2024 - 19th July 2024

HalfTerm: Monday 27th May 2024 - Friday 31st May 2024

#### Inset Days (5)

Occasional Day (1)

1st September 2023

23rd July 2024

4th September 2023 4th January 2024 5th January 2024 22nd July 2024 Calendar Key

Term Time

Bank Holidays

School Holidays

\*Inset Days (5 days)

\*Occasional Day (1 day)

\* Children do not attend school on these days