

# PUPIL POST



32<sup>nd</sup> week in Ordinary Time A  
19<sup>th</sup> November 2023







In a troubled world, we pray for peace...

Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. Now many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.

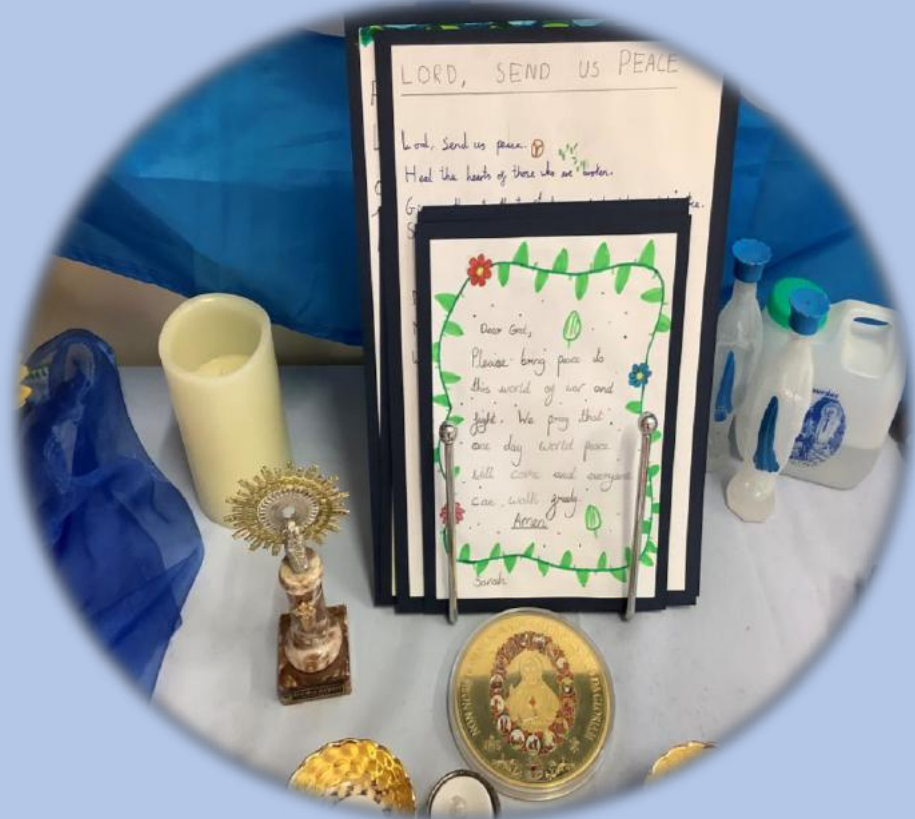
Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts and give us the courage to say, "Never again war!" "Never war everything is lost." Build in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our explosion into confident trust, and our quarrelling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may not for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of Shalom, Peace, Salawat!

Amen.

We pray for peace across the world.







## Another year of Remembrance.

On Sunday morning,  
pupils from our school  
represented our  
community at the  
Remembrance Day  
Service in the Old Town,  
remembering those who  
gave their lives that  
others may be free.







LEST WE  
FORGET.





Our beautiful  
Remembrance  
Book for the  
month of  
November.



Year 4 pupils  
helped the Red  
Shed project to  
plant different  
seeds on Monday  
morning.  
The pupils had to  
think which  
conditions seeds  
germinate in.  
Sue was a great  
teacher!







## Hertfordshire Music Service

came in to demonstrate some music instruments to us on Monday. Pupils were lucky enough to hear the flute, clarinet and the saxophone.

Watch the videos here:  
<https://twitter.com/i/status/1724030197626806654>

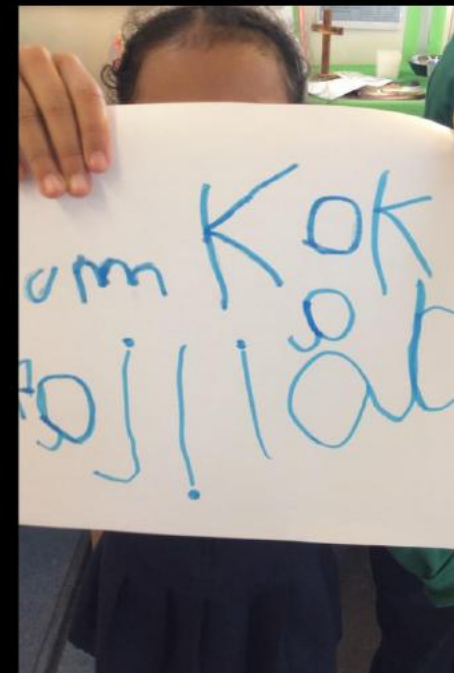


Can you guess what year 3 were learning about in English? We listened to sounds and used our art skills to draw what we thought we could hear. Look how vibrant our pictures are!





It was a busy start to the week in Reception. In maths we were learning about making 5. We also designed our own soup, wrote a class poem, solved puzzles with our friends and much, much more.





More Reception  
investigations of  
different ways of  
making 5.





*Lots of children  
in Reception  
collected leaves on  
the way to school.  
We dried them out  
and then made  
autumnal pictures  
using them.*

*Keep collecting  
children!*







A lovely atmosphere as our school celebrated all our families.

Our amazing families sharing together.





**So many conversations  
and enjoyment in  
finding out where  
members of our  
community are from.**



It was so  
lovely to  
welcome in  
so many  
parents to  
our Open  
Morning





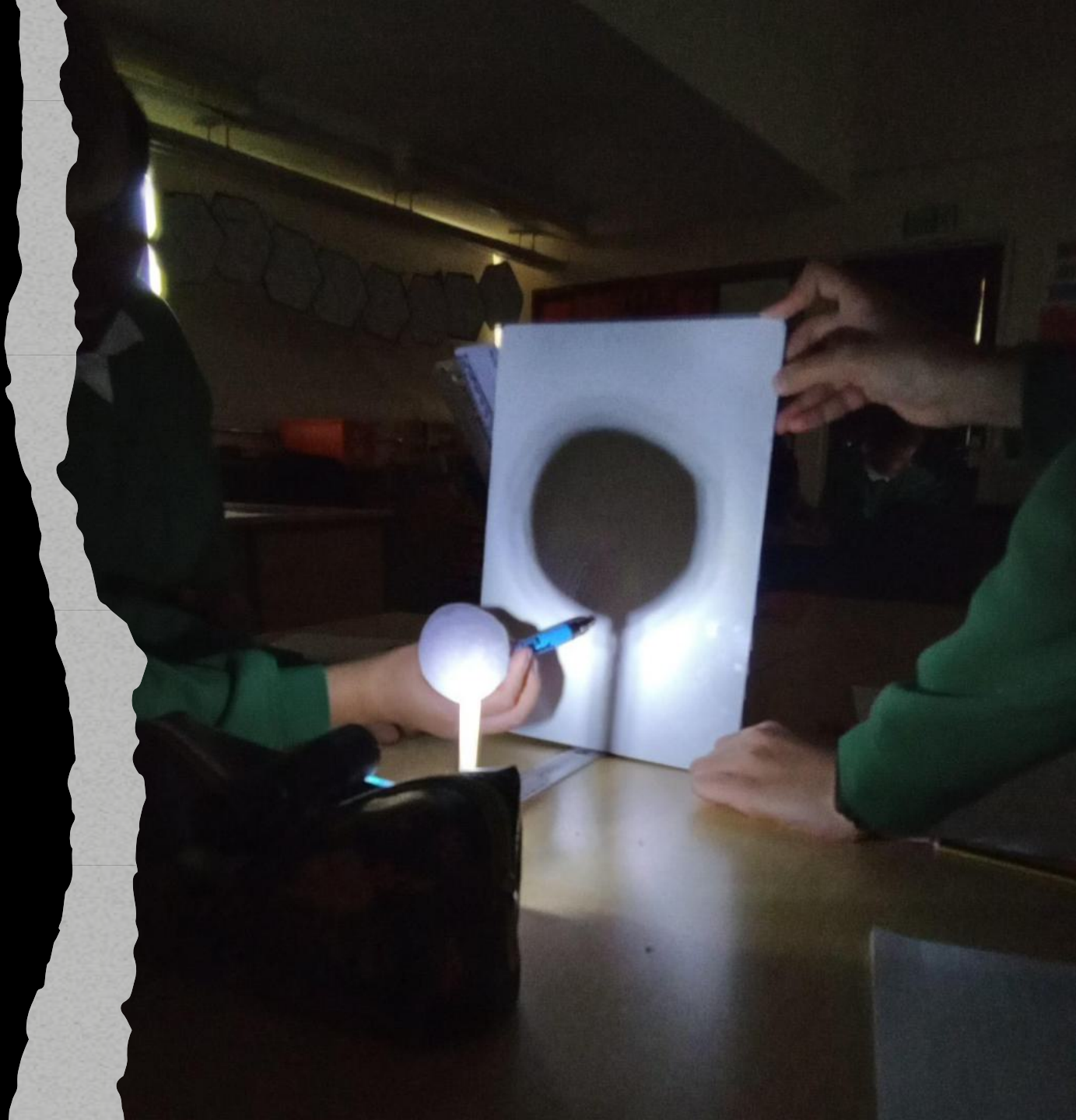


Time to  
celebrate all  
our beautiful  
work.

Well done  
everyone



Year 6 conducted a fair test about what happens to the size of a shadow when an object is moved further away from the surface it is cast onto.







*The Reception children have enjoyed learning in the outdoor area this week.*



# This week in the Nursery.



Working together and having fun!





# SEND News

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



In the latest edition of SEND news, you can find information on supported internships, neurodiversity podcasts and mental health support. Sign up now to receive fortnightly emails on all things SEND in Hertfordshire:

<https://buff.ly/3Q1FBL9>



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.

<https://buff.ly/3K8dAfg>







# PSA Christmas raffle

Tickets £1 each and  
have been sent home  
this week.

Loads of fab prizes up  
for grabs - first prize  
**£100.**

All money raised will  
go directly into the  
refurbishing of our KS2  
school library so please  
help us by selling  
tickets to family and  
friends

St Vincent de Paul Catholic School PSA is delighted to announce our Christmas raffle 2023

£100 cash

4 tickets to Knebworth House

Ninja warrior Watford session for 2

Church Farm family pass (up to 5 people)

Christmas raffle will be  
**drawn on Friday Dec 8<sup>th</sup>**  
at pick up time (3:15pm)

£1 each ticket

Additional tickets are available  
from the school office should  
you like to buy more

2 adult tickets to Hatfield park battle of the proms 20/07/24

Gosling sports park trampoline park 2 adults 2 children + socks

Hollywood Bowl 4x1 voucher - 2x 360 passes 2 adults 2 children on each

Shepreth wildlife park 2 entrance tickets - Gosling sports park soft play 2 adults 2 children

£15 voucher from the Entertainer - Free 14-day family membership at David Lloyd Stevenage

Free Choi Kuang Do lessons (half term for a child in y2 or higher) - Family ticket for Mulligans Golf

Two tickets for Get Wild soft play in Hatfield Galleria - 2 cosmetics bags + head band donated by Boots

Family ticket to Stevenage FC home match (2 adults, 2 under 18s) - Tommy Hilfiger backpack + cufflinks donated by Boots

Moschino travel bag with beach towel donated by Boots and more

Money raised will fund  
the refurbishment of  
the KS2 school library

Please return your sold tickets and money to your teacher in an envelope labelled 'Raffle' by Friday Dec 1<sup>st</sup>



Have you viewed your child's  
Christmas artwork  
on the My Childs Art website?

Check out these fab Christmas cards that  
arrived on Monday; great quality too!



Working with  
**St Vincent de Paul R C School**

 [www.mychildsart.co.uk](http://www.mychildsart.co.uk)

Your child has uploaded a  
Christmas drawing to our website!

**VIEW NOW**

by logging into the parent order portal at  
[www.mychildsart.co.uk/order](http://www.mychildsart.co.uk/order)

 Order portals  
open NOW until the  
31st December

**EARLY BIRD  
DISCOUNT  
FOR 2 WEEKS ONLY**

Use code **StVincent1**  
during checkout for 10% off your order!

One use only. Excludes VAT and P&P. Valid for 2 weeks from the portal opening date, not the date that you receive this leaflet. Not automatically applied and cannot be added once an order has been confirmed.

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NB: Username and Access Code are case and space sensitive, so please be careful when entering the details into the portal.

*Scoti me*







Jesus said to his disciples, "There was once a man who set out on a journey. Before he left, he summoned his servants and handed over his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two talents, and to a third he gave one talent - giving to each according to their ability. Then he left on his journey. After a long time the master came back and settled his accounts with them. The servant who had received the five talents brought his master an extra five talents. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five talents; look, I've made you another five talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have proved yourself faithful over little things, so I will put you in charge of much more. Come and share your master's joy.' The servant who had been given two talents made two more and his master said the same thing to him. But the servant who had been given one talent had just buried it in the ground and then dug it up and returned it to his master. The master was angry and had that lazy servant thrown out."

*Adapted from Matthew 25:14-30*  
The 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A

Please read  
and reflect  
together upon this  
week's gospel.  
The theme is  
**TALENT**

**"Do not bury your talents, the gifts  
that God has given you! Put your  
talents at the service of God."**

*Pope Francis*

"Whatever gifts and talents  
we are given by God are to  
be shared with the  
community."

*St Baldwin of Canterbury*



Dear Lord Jesus, help us to develop our **talents** and to know how we  
can use them for the good of others in this coming week. Amen. ✨