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## NEWSLETTER

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### Catholic Life of the School

Thank you to everyone who sent in a donation for our 'Spotacular' theme on Children in Need Day. We raised £155.91.

We are very proud when our children demonstrate our Gospel Values. Brooke Franklin has donated her hair and raised funds for the Little Princess Trust. Brooke had 12 inches of her hair cut off and she is also raising money to create at least 1 wig which can cost between £350 and £500. Brooke's target was £350 and so far she has raised £477. It would be fantastic if she could raise a little more and I have enclosed her 'just giving' page if you would like to make a donation. The link will be open until December 8<sup>th</sup>. <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/shilleen-franklin>



Congratulations to the following children in Year 3 and 4 who organised their own charity netball match and raised £15.20 for Children in Need. They organised the players, advertised the address with posters and collected donations. Thank you to Ciara, Lola, Xavier, Phoebe, Isabella S, Isabella A, Amelia, Liam, Lillian, Lenny, Daniel A, Maisie, Kiera, Nicola, Heidi and Desiree C. You have set a great example for our whole school.



During the course of this academic year, our Year 3 children are taking part in an Integration Programme at Woodfield School with their teacher Mrs Wilson. This programme involves a small group of children walking to Woodfield School on a Thursday afternoon to work with children in Class 4. This will enable our children to develop their awareness of disability in the community as well as their communication and social interaction skills. They will also have an opportunity to develop their skills of tailoring communication to an audience. The Woodfield children will develop their communication skills as they integrate with our mainstream school children.

### Sporting News

Our boys football team have made a fantastic start to the league campaign. They have won their first 2 matches against Yewtree Primary and Chambersbury Primary 8-0 and 7-0. Excellent defending from Harry McIntosh, enabling us to keep a clean sheet for both matches. Notable attacking performance from Luis Streets, and excellent teamwork from all the boys. The next match is on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> against Galley Hill. Keep up the great work boys.



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To celebrate all of the sporting achievements of our children over this Autumn term, Mrs Lulham and the Sports Crew will be holding a Sports Assembly next Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 2:50. Parents are welcome to attend.

### **Staffing News**

A very warm welcome to Miss Trnkova who is now supporting Mrs Turp and Mrs Lewis in our Nursery classroom.

### **Curriculum News**

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, our Year 5 and 6 children went to Duxford Air Museum as part of their curriculum studies of World War II.



‘There were facts about both WWI and WWII. We explored outside and saw an Apache landing and an old Spitfire. There were many planes, guns and tanks. We think our trip was very fun and exciting.’ Oliver and Daniel.

‘My favourite part was when we went into the D-Day hangar which was full of tanks. It was heaven for me. I nearly named every tank. I held soldier’s guns and put on a helmet. They were really heavy.’ Mateo

‘We had an amazing day. I particularly enjoyed seeing how much the things soldiers would have weighed eg guns, grenades, helmets, because we were able to try them on.’ Polly

### **PTFA Christmas Fair**

The PTFA are still collecting donations of bottles for the bottle tombola and we will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> in exchange for bringing in a filled jar of sweets.

I encourage all families to come and do some last minute Christmas shopping as well as join us for festive fun and games. This year we will have 2 Bouncy Castles as well as art & craft and other activities for the children to enjoy. The Fair will run from 11:00-2:00. Come and grab a bargain (or two), have a go on the bottle and sweetie tombola, have some lunch and at the same time, support our PTFA in their fund-raising. Please let Rachel McGuinness or Jackie Nicholson know asap. Thank you in advance for your support.

### **Dates for the rest of this term**

2.12.17	Christmas Fair at Our Lady’s
8.12.17	Filled Jars Donations for Christmas Fair (non-uniform day)
12.12.17	Year 4 class to Westminster Cathedral (am) KS1 Nativity (pm)
13.12.17	Christmas Lunch
14.12.17	Reception to Year 6 trip to the Pantomime in St Albans (am)
15.12.17	FS1 and FS2 Nativity 11:00 End of Term Assembly 2:45 (parents welcome)
16.12.17	PTFA Christmas Fair 11-2
18.12.17	Class Parties Mr Marvel in F Stage (am) Christmas Carol Service at Our Lady’s 7:00 pm
19.12.17	Term Ends 1:30 pm
3.1.18	INSET Day (School closed to children)
4.1.18	New Term begins for all children

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