

# St Eugene de Mazenod Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 15th November 2024

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Go shine in the world and live as Jesus lived!



Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week we learnt about equality and fairness. We debated issues surrounding Racial and Gender Equality, Social Justice and British Values. Recently it was Black History Month. As part of our equality curriculum, the children were encouraged to talk about important issues, to talk about inspirational people including: Nelson Mandela, Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King. They learnt about Malala Yousafzai's message of religious tolerance as well as challenging gender stereotypes and the struggle for women's voting rights. The children developed their understanding of fundamental British values of mutual respect and tolerance of others as well as democracy. Please ask your child what they learnt about equality and to tell you about someone who inspired them. We know that St Eugene's children will grow up into adults who make a positive difference in the world!

Best wishes,

Mrs Smith (Head of School) and Ms Richardson (Executive Headteacher)

## British Values and Equality...

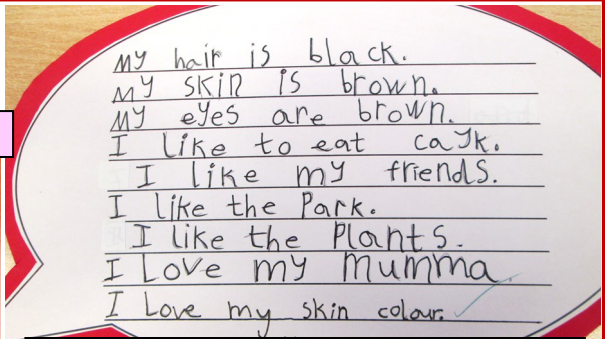
The children took part in discussions and debates: they wrote poetry, biographies, speeches and made beautiful art pieces.

Excellence, determination and respect



Malala by Maeve Y3

Emmeline Pankhurst by Elsa-Mae Y5



We are all unique and beautiful. Namiko Y1



Isac Y2 (key messages from The Good Samaritan parable)



Abi, Azmin, Charles and Ginevra: Nelson Mandela "Rainbow Nation" portraits



Nina and Elizabeth presenting to Y4 about people who "shine in the world"

I have received and read the St. Eugene's Catholic Primary School newsletter of 15.11.2024

Name of child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

please return this slip to school office and your child might win a prize:)

## Important dates for your diary...



Tuesday 19th November Parents Working Alongside Children session in Reception class at 9.05am  
Friday 29th November Autumn Term Music Concert 2.00pm in the school hall  
Friday 29th November Non Uniform Day  
Week beginning 2nd December: last week of after school enrichment clubs  
Tuesday 10th December 10am Nativity for Y1 and YR parents and 2.00pm for Y2 parents  
Friday 13th December 2.00pm Carol Service in church  
**Children may wear their own clothes on their Christmas party day:)**  
Tuesday 17th December: Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas party  
Wednesday 18th December: Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas party  
Wednesday 18th December: Christmas lunch  
Thursday 19th December: Year 6 Christmas party

## Football Tournament...

The girls football team and boys team took part in a tournament this Tuesday. They played well and showed good sportsmanship. The girls



team came 3rd and the boys team came 4th in the 5-a-side competition. Well done:)

## Work of the week...

Every week a fantastic piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office).

Do come and take a look:)



Sophie (Year 5) has written a super geography report this week. She has explained the key threats to the ocean climate: climate change, over-fishing, shipping and pollution in a clear and logical way. Sophie included details to help the reader understand this important topic.

**Well done Sophie!**



## Our prayer...

Pope Francis has declared Sunday, 17 November 2024, to be the eighth World Day of the Poor.

Pope Francis invites us to pray for the poor and to pray together with the poor, with humility and trust.



Lord,  
Help us to be your feet, walking beside those in need.  
Help us to be your hands to clothe, feed and shelter them.  
You came for the least, the lost and last of this world.  
Lord, hear our prayer,  
Amen.



*Thank-you for continuing to support Father Tom's Food Bank. The Food Bank is open for all who need it from 10am to 12 noon and 2pm to 4pm daily. You just need to ring the bell at the parish house to access the Food Bank. More than 100 families in our community use it every week.*

## Good attendance is very important for your child's attainment and progress.

Each week the class with the very best attendance are celebrated in our assembly.

**This week our attendance champions were Year 5 class with 99%.**

**Well done Year 5!**

## Person of the Week!

Well done to these children for showing how we live our school values!



Reception: Arlo  
Year 1: Eloise  
Year 2: Oisin  
Year 3: Dagmawi  
Year 4: Mya  
Year 5: Tom  
Year 6: Azmin