



Loving minds ♥ Hearts ♥ Hands

Weekly Newsletter

Gospel Assembly



Year 1 and Mrs Grundy led the Gospel assembly on Monday and focussed on being thankful. Children listened carefully for examples of please and thank you in the gospel and reflected on how we can show respect to others.

Parents' Evening



Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday 20th October (next Thursday) 2 pm - 6 pm. This will be a **virtual** Parents' meeting via Zoom. Parents will be able to book appointments to meet their child's teacher on the Parents Evening tab on School Spider and slots are available to book today. Please make sure you book an appointment so you can speak to the class teacher about how your child has settled in at the beginning of the academic year.

Friday 14th
October 2022

This week's ACE awards

	A	C	E
E	Leylah	Athanael	A'Livier
Y			
Y	Katori	Lilly	Paizley
1			
Y	Jahmarco	Maira	Marni
2			
Y	Rueben	Evie	Michael
3			
Y	Aryah	Ammar	Isaac
4			
Y	Abban	Ruby	Aiden
5			
Y	Tayah-Ray	Angel	Joshua
6			



A = Achievement
C = Commitment
E = Effort



School Photos



On Tuesday, children and staff will need to bring their best smiles as it is school photo day. These photos will be individual and sibling photos **not** class photos. Please ensure that children have their correct full uniform including tie and jumpers

Fabulous Football



Today and last Friday, a group of children from Upper Key Stage 2 and Lower Key Stage 2 represented St. Ambrose in a football festival at MCFC. The children had a wonderful time and today's group won the festival. Well done team!

Virtual Author



Year 6 enjoyed watching a live stream of Professor David Olusoga who talked about the importance of Black History in British and world history. The children found the lecture very interesting, especially the points that were made about Manchester's history

Attendance Matters

Class	Percentage Attendance
EYFS	94.2%
Year 1	96.6%
Year 2	98.6%
Year 3	89.1%
Year 4	94.3%
Year 5	97.9%
Year 6	92.9%

Well done to **Year 2** who had the best attendance this week. **Year 5** won the punctuality award with zero minutes late.

Eat for Need and Not for Greed winner:
Year 4

Individual House point Winners for this week

Housepoints	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
St. Matthew	Jhy	Eli	Charlie	Bailey	Kai	Vedant
St. Mark	Pearl	Ciaran	Nakaiya	Talal	Raphael	Evan
St. Luke	Zeateria	Isla	Mary	Adam	Logan	Cindy
St. John	Iliza	Esme	Dalman	Freya	Kendell	Donell

Well done to this week's winning house which was **St. Mark**

Happy Birthday this week to **Evita, Raimie & Kai**



Attendance Matters

Get your child to school EVERY DAY

There is a link between good school attendance and high level attainment. Regardless of the reason, if your child is absent from school it will impact on their learning. Parents/carers are legally responsible for ensuring their child attends school on time every day.

Medical Appointments



Where possible all appointments should be booked outside of school hours. Where this is not possible the amount of time off school should be kept to a minimum and your child should return to school as soon as the appointment is completed. School may not authorise time off school if evidence of the appointment is not provided.

Too ill for school?



Children can attend school with minor ailments such as stomach ache, toothache, a cold, sore throat, headache etc.

School will contact you if your child becomes too ill to remain at school. Children should be off school for 24 hours if they have diarrhoea or vomiting.

Holidays in Term Time



Children are not entitled to holidays in term time. Family holidays should be taken during school holiday periods.

Requests for leave due to exceptional circumstances preventing the period of leave being taken during school holidays must be made in writing using a Leave of Absence Request form, which is available from the school office. Fines of £120 per parent/carer may be issued where unauthorised leave had been taken during term time.

Absence during Term Time

Children must not be absent for:
Day Trips, Birthdays,
Shopping, Hair Cuts, Parent/Sibling illness

Reporting an Absence



It is your responsibility to notify school if your child is absent. A reason must be provided on each day of absence. Unreported absences may result in a home visit from a member of the school leadership team.

If your child is off school for more than 3 days or where there are repeated absences due to reported illness, you will need to provide medical evidence. This will usually be in the form of a prescription, a medical certificate or

Persistent Absence

Our target for attendance is **98%**. Any child falling below this will be closely monitored. Any child with attendance below **90%** regardless of the reason for the absence is considered to be a persistent absentee. This equates to just 2 days absent each month.

Over a five-year period, a child whose attendance is at 90%, will miss half of a school year; that is a lot of lost learning! Persistent absence will be monitored weekly; parents will be invited to attend an attendance review meeting with Mrs Vayro if no improvement is made.

Punctuality



It is important that your child attends school every day and on time. Children should arrive at 8:45am ready for learning.



Rewards

Children with 100% attendance each month will receive a frozen treat at the end of the month. Classes with one full week of 100% attendance will enjoy a non-uniform day the following Friday. The class with the best attendance at the end of each term will receive a Pizza Party! The children with the best attendance at the end of each term will be able to spend time with Bernard and Beryl taking them for a walk and playing with them in the calm area. At the end of the year the class with the best attendance will go on a trip to the beach with Mrs Vayro, Bernard and Beryl.

There are **190** days in a school year which leaves **175** days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.



Loving Our Learning

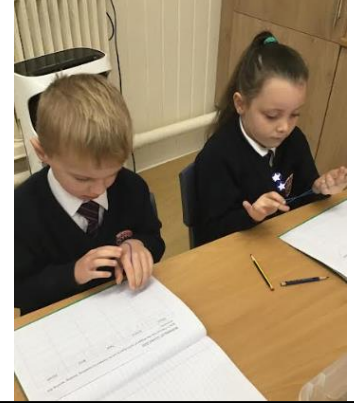
The children and teachers are very proud of the learning that has been happening within school this week. To see more pictures, visit our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages.



Early Years loved reading the story - Goldilocks and the 3 bears and made a list to make porridge.



Year 1 loved learning about the part-whole model in maths.



Year 2 loved investigating if objects could be changed in science by twisting, stretching, and bending.



Year 3 loved learning how to use papier mache to create Greek pottery.



Year 4 loved exploring primary and secondary sources in history.



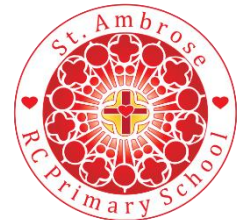
Year 5 loved following a set of instructions to make homemade ice-cream.



Year 6 loved learning about pulse rates in science and how exercise effects it.



Bernard waving goodbye to another wonderful week at St. Ambrose.



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Facebook - St Ambrose RC Primary
Twitter - stambroserc
Instagram - stambrose.m21