

# - Newsletter -

Issue 4: Autumn Term

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

## *A Family*

I have to say, I have been absolutely blown away by the goodwill and enthusiasm the family of Our Lady of Victories has shown over the last couple of days. Hearing from families, old and new, how much they appreciate the school was wonderful. I am really excited for the future and know that, together, we will make wonderful things happen at our school. Thank you.

Fr Nigel was very impressed with the behaviour of the children when he went to visit them on Monday. They all knew the special prayer to our patron saint, and joined in beautifully. Thank you for preparing them to be part of the Rosary services.

*Mrs Wyatt - Executive HT*

## *Dates for Your Diary*

- 1:1 teacher/parent consultations  
Tuesday/Wednesday 22/23 October



Our Wednesday Word for this week that links in with the Sunday Gospel is:

*Happiness*

### Certificates for the week:

- Year 1 – Sophie & Maria A**
- Year 2 – Tristan & Jacinthe**
- Year 3 – Logan & Sienna**
- Year 4 – Chloe & Alexander**
- Year 5 – Sophia & Magdalena**
- Year 6 – Alex & Isaure**

### Happy Birthday to.....

- Jesse – Reception**
- Annabelle – Year 4**
- Alejandro – Year 5**
- Isaure - Year 6**

We hope you enjoyed your special days!

## Year 3



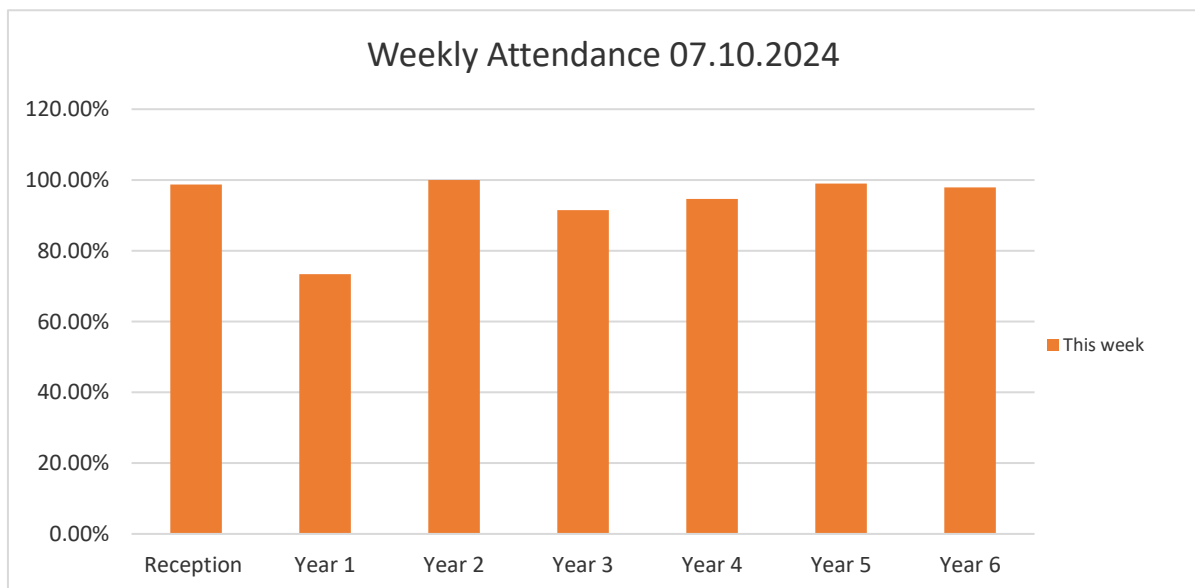
In Year 3, we have been reading an exciting book called 'Leon and the Place Between'. We have been learning to write from the perspective of a character. In these pieces, the children were asked to write in role as the main character (Leon) as he walked into a huge tent and waited for a magic show to begin! They tried to include details of their thoughts and feelings as well as include descriptive sentences. This weeks examples are from Logan and Rita.

As I approached the the golden, and soft tent, I was ~~had~~ brought some sled and salty popcorn. When I sat down with ~~with~~ I was waiting ~~at~~ ~~the~~ with my cosy blanket. I was cold. We heard screaming and shouting from the forest ahead. My brother was betting that it won't be magic. I said "Shut up! It will be magic." My brother said "OK I believe." We were ~~that~~ waiting outside. Then the big magic show was open! The lights went out! Then the curtains twitched! There was a big thud and a big hush from the crowd. The crowd was jittered with excitement. The last time I went to a magic show was ages. Suddenly there was a big hush again. Then ~~the~~ three BANG! Three ~~are~~ jugglers through three skittles in the air but they didn't ~~can~~ come down. Everyone was cheered with excitement. Yay hooray!

It: One sunny day I entered a musteneshipy tent. I excitedly sat on the sorry green grass waiting for the show to start. There were lots of people waiting for I suddenly realised that the smell of the crowd got different. I was smiling magic! That means that there is magic by! suddenly, the lights went out and the curtains twitched ~~any~~ suddenly, a golden ribbon separated the curtains. The ball crowd felt excitement. When is the show going to start? I got interrupted by a BANG! Three jugglers appeared in the sky with skittles! Why didn't they come down? ~~any~~ Puff! they disappeared! I felt so excited! suddenly, a bunny appeared in my arms and then the bunny ~~talent~~ transported me to the stage. Then, someone appeared in the stage and told me to do a magic trick. Then, ~~clicker~~ he told me to click my fingers and he said that when I clicked my fingers I would ~~talent~~ transport to the place in between. So I clicked my fingers, CLICK! I was suddenly in a magic box and then I ~~talent~~ transported back to the stage. ~~My friend!~~ The crowd cheered and clapped.

## Attendance

Well done Year 2! You achieved 100% attendance this week for the second week running!!



Remember – we aim high for attendance for each child!

## WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY



Yesterday we celebrated World Mental Health Day. It was lovely to see the children come to school in their brightly coloured clothes in support of 'Mind'. Many thanks for your donations.

In class, the children learnt about the importance of looking after their wellbeing and that it is ok to have different emotions. They thought about ways in which they can keep calm and keep their minds healthy.

We had a special wellbeing assembly in the afternoon. We were delighted to welcome Samit who works for 'Mind'. He explained to the children the difference in having 'small' and 'big' feelings. 'Small' feelings come and go but 'big' feelings might last for a while and make it difficult for us to carry on with our everyday lives. He reminded the children about the importance of talking to people they trust (friends, teachers, parents) about their feelings.

'Mind' are a fabulous charity who support schools within the borough (staff, children and parents) to promote good mental health. We have re-established our links with them and will be working closely together this year. We will send you more details later in the term about the support they will be providing us.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Browne and Miss Cumming

Mental Health and Wellbeing Leads