



# St Patrick's RE Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to our termly RE Newsletter in which you will find lots of information about what has been going on in RE throughout the school during the Autumn Term.



In October, for Harvest, Fr Kevin came into school to celebrate the Harvest Mass with all of the children and staff. It was a very special Mass celebrating the many things that God the Father has given us. Food donations collected by the school community were given to Christian Kitchen in Walthamstow who were overwhelmed by our kindness and generosity.



### Monday Morning Gospel Assembly

Our children continue to grow in their faith and understanding of the Bible during our weekly Gospel Assembly. This is a joyous time in our school week when we all come together to sing and reflect on the weekly Gospel reading and how it impacts our lives and beliefs as Christians.

### Fr Freddy Advent Talk

Fr Freddy came into school to visit every class from Nursery to Year 6. The focus was Advent and the importance of this time in preparing for the birth of Jesus at Christmas. Every child received a special 'Advent Prayer' to take home to read with their family.



A CHILD'S ADVENT PRAYER

Dear Jesus,  
Your birthday is on Christmas day.  
On Christmas day you came to give me a gift. You gave me the gift of your love. Thank you Jesus.  
Now let me give you the gift of my love.  
I love you Jesus.  
Please bless me and my family and all poor people.  
And please give peace to the world.  
Amen.

### Cake Sale for Humanitarian Aid in Gaza

Thank you so much to everyone actively involved in this. All funds raised went go to CAFOD who are working local partners in Gaza that are responding and providing urgent charitable aid to those in need.

Total Raised: £247.65



### Tuesday Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary and St Patrick



Children from Yr 1-6 year groups attended weekly Mass at church.

**The Wednesday Word** - The Wednesday Word is a national missionary initiative for the 21st Century. Specialised resources for primary schools and parish churches, are the focus of this, Christ centred, weekly custom. This document celebrating the weekly Gospel goes out to all of our school community on Google Classroom and via the newsletter every week.

### Nursery Nativity

Our nursery children performed the nativity to their parents and carers. The Christmas Story was told beautifully by our youngest children.



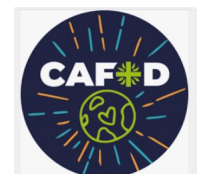
### Merit Awards



Mr Protsiv continues to celebrate our children after the Gospel during the Monday morning assembly. We are truly blessed to have so many wonderful children in our school.

### Cafod Collection:

Non uniform day  
Total Raised: £320.22



### Christmas Jumper Day for Brentwood Children's Society:

Total Raised: £244.24  
A huge thank you to everyone who contributed!



## Judaism Week

Below is a selection of work produced during our whole school Judaism Week 30th October — 5th November



Hanukkah – Festival of Light - Reception

Learning Objective: I can explain what makes Moses a good leader.

Moses is a good leader because...

Moses	leader
Jews	Egypt
promised	dangerous
Jewish	

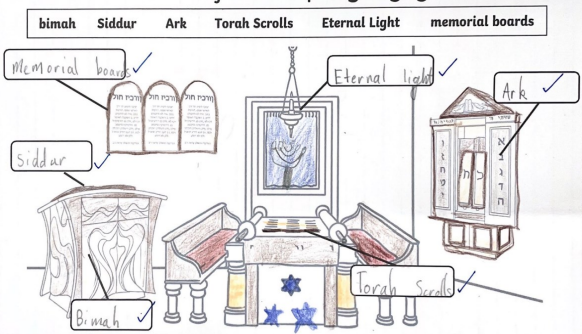
Moses is a good leader because he hated the Jews and he took them out of Egypt. ✓

Moses - Year 1



Spice Box to mark the end of Shabbat - Year 2

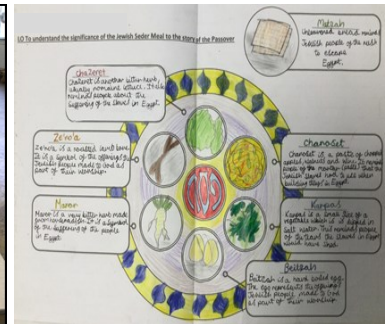
### Places of Worship: Synagogue



The Synagogue — Year 3



The Torah and Hebrew - Writing Year 4



The Seder Meal at Passover - Year 5



The Festival of Rosh Hashanah - Year 6



## Our Christmas Display in School



## Our Journey to Bethlehem Whole School Display

**Nursery - Stars**

**Reception - Angels**

**Year 1 - The Birth of Jesus**

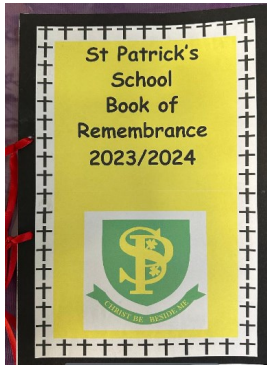
**Year 2 - Shepherds**

**Year 3 - The Jesse Tree**

**Year 4 - The Wise Men**

**Year 5 - The Visitation**

**Year 6 - The Annunciation**



### Holy Souls and Remembrance Day



On the 10<sup>th</sup> of November, we held two Remembrance Liturgy Services - one for Early Years and KS1 and another one for KS2. In these, we remembered our departed loved ones and also the many men and women who died so that we might live in peace. The names of our loved ones were read out from our Remembrance Book. It was a beautiful and very emotional service for all.



### Year 1 Nativity



A huge congratulations to our Year 1 children and their wonderful teachers for their amazing performance of The Nativity Story telling the story of Christmas. They sang beautifully and said all of their lines clearly and with confidence.

### First Holy Communion

It is with great joy and pleasure we can announce that the First Holy Communion Programme has begun. Many of our Year 4 children are completing this very special programme. We wish them all the very best in their continued journey with God.



**Reconciliation** — During Advent, Fr Kevin and Fr Freddy came into school for the sacrament of Reconciliation with our Year 5 and 6 children.



### KS2 Carol Service at Our Lady of the Rosary and St Patrick

What a joyous occasion was had by all coming together with our KS2 children and the school community to sing carols at church. See our Facebook Page for photos. <http://facebook.com/StPatricksRCPrimarySchool>

### Rosary in October

Thank you to Mrs Fernando who led the Rosary every week during October. Thank you also to all of the children and staff who took time out of their day to attend.



### Little Way Week

In October we had a whole school Little Ways Week. Little Way Week is inspired by St Thérèse of Lisieux, patron of mission. As a child St Thérèse dreamed of being a missionary. With age she understood that very few of us are called to make big and radical gestures, but that through small, loving actions we too can deliver God's love to the world.



### Early Years and KS1 Christingle Liturgy Service

Christingle celebrations are named after the Christingles that are lit during the ceremony. Christingles are oranges wrapped in red tape, decorated with dried fruit or sweets, with a candle on the top. Each element of a Christingle has a special meaning and helps to tell the Christian story:

The orange represents the world. The red ribbon (or tape) symbolises the love and blood of Christ. The sweets and dried fruit represent all of God's creations. The lit candle represents Jesus's light in the world, bringing hope to people living in darkness.



### All Saints Mass

On the 1st November, Fr Freddy celebrated The Feast of All Saints with a special mass in school.

### Prayer:



“Jesus, the Light of the World, as we look forward to celebrating your birth, may we begin to see the world in the light of understanding you give us. As you chose the lowly, the outcasts, and the poor to receive the greatest news the world had ever known, so may we worship you in meekness of heart. May we also remember our brothers and sisters less fortunate than ourselves in this season of giving. Amen.