



5th November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to school after our Half Term Holiday. It is wonderful to see all of the children back in school. Please ensure your child is wearing full Winter Uniform, including a school tie.

Catholic Life

We ended our first half term with some extremely exciting news. On Saturday 23rd October, Mrs Barratt and Mrs Walsh performed in the **Strictly Saint Ralph** event dancing with all of the other schools within our Trust! I am delighted to announce that St Joseph's Matlock was awarded with **The Most Improved Trophy!** This is an absolutely fantastic achievement, and we are all very proud of both Mrs Walsh and Mrs Barratt. As complete dancing novices, they demonstrated our **Golden Skills (Motivation, Perseverance, Unity, Independence, Self-Belief)** so well and have been great positive role models for our children. We also raised over £400 for Ashgate Hospice!

Our thanks also to the **Chaplaincy Team** who led a beautiful All Saints Day Whole School Collective Worship on Monday 1st November 2021.

Next week our children will be respectfully remembering as they engage within a beautiful **Remembrance** Liturgy. We will be selling poppy's next week at the beginning and end of the school day.

Pupil Parliament

This week our two Pupil Parliament representatives, Amy Mould and Chloe Oldbury represented our school at their first face to face Pupil Parliament Day! Here, they worked with children from the other 24 schools focusing on the following themes: Community, Local Community, Environment and Sustainability, Equality and Diversity and Fundraising. We look forward to sharing further updates with you all!

Regards

Mrs Chadbourne



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Important Dates

- Friday 19th November 2021-Children in Need (more details to follow)
- Friday 3rd December 2021-Trust INSET Day-school closed to all children.
- Wednesday 22nd December 2021-Break up for Christmas.
- Monday 10th January 2021-All children Back to School

Loving God

We give thanks for all you have created. You are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of creatures.

We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation.

May the Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 as they see to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society.

Instil in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord

Amen



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