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This Week

On Monday morning, Year 6 visited Sacred Heart for transactional writing workshops to support their SATs preparation.

On Wednesday and Thursday Reception and Year 1 were treated to computing workshops with Jo Hodge from Digital Schoolhouse. Reception created Autumn pattern sequences. Year 1 wrote and debugged code on iPads to control Sphero robots on a course.

Thank you to everyone who supported our fireworks display fundraiser on Thursday. It was a brilliant evening.

CATHOLIC LIFE

Gospel Values

Our Gospel Value this month is 'Peace'. In our Celebrations of the Word on Monday, we talked about peace in our homes, school and world. We'd love to hear about how children are following this at home.

Year 5 First Holy Communion Programme

The dates for the next SS Peter & Paul's meetings have been amended. They are now Mondays 9th, 16th and 23rd November at 3.45 pm. It is only necessary to attend one of these dates. The topic will be The Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Confession.
Other dates are in the https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/diary

SS Peter and Paul's Parish Website

SS Peter and Paul's Parish has a new website. Please have a look!
https://stpeterandpaulscrosby.org.uk/

Pope Leo's Monthly Prayer Intention

Please keep Pope Leo in your prayers following his recent operation. Pope Leo's monthly prayer intention for November is for the proper use of wealth. *Let us pray for the proper use of wealth; that by not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and in solidarity with those who have less.* Pope Leo XIV 2026. Pope Leo XIV's video is on Our Catholic Life > Prayer, Liturgy and Jubilee page: https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/prayer%2C-liturgy-%26-jubilee

Catholic Pic

A link to the November edition of the Catholic Pic is on our Catholic Life > Our Parishes and Archdiocese page and
https://issuu.com/catholic_pic/docs/catholic_pic_november_2026_54daa5721fe544

CAFOD Club

Our CAFOD Club have taken up CAFOD's invitation to write messages to the Energy Secretary in advance of COP31 next month, to take action on the climate crisis. Find out more here https://cafod.org.uk/campaign and see their prayers and ideas based on Catholic Social Teaching here https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/6g4H7soM

Mass Times

Regular Sunday Mass times for our churches are:
St Helen's: Sun 10am, 4pm
Ss Peter and Paul
Sat 5.45pm, Sun 10.30am
St Joseph's
Sat 6.30pm, Sun 11.15am

Diary Dates

November

Mon 9th: 10am-4pm Virtual School Nurse Drop-in
3.45pm Y5 First Holy Communion Programme – Reconciliation
Mon 9th-Tue 10th:
CHET 5B, 5M
Tue 10th–Wed 11th:
CHET 5C, 5MW
Wed 11th: 9am 6T Class Mass
Fri 13th: 6pm PTA Paint 'n' Sip
Mon 16th: Odd Socks Day
3.45pm Y5 First Holy Communion Programme – Reconciliation
5pm PTA Meeting
Wed 18th: 9am 6B Class Mass
Thu 19th: Y1/Y2 Disco
2.30-4pm Y3/Y4 Disco
Fri 20th: EYFS Disco
2.30-4pm Y5/Y6 Disco
Mon 23rd: 3.45pm Y5 First Holy Communion Programme - Reconciliation
Wed 25th: Y2 Advent Services

December

Wed 2nd: 8am Advent Mass
9am 6ML Class Mass
Thu 3rd: Storytime with Santa
Fri 4th: Christmas Fair
Tue 8th: 10am RHB Nativity
2pm NBW Nativity
Wed 9th: 8am Advent Mass
9am 1L Rejoice
10am RB Nativity
Thu 10th:
9am 3C and 4B Rejoices
10am RF Nativity
2pm NEW Nativity
6.30pm Y5 Reconciliation Service
Sat 12th: Breakfast with Santa
Mon 14th: Christmas Party Day
Tue 15th: Santa Dash
Wed 16th: 8am Advent Mass
Christmas Dinner/Jumper Day
Fri 18th: Term Ends 1.30pm

January

Mon 4th/Tue 5th: INSET Days
Wed 6th: Children return

The Wednesday Word

The Wednesday Word this week is the last week of a three-week special with focus word Wisdom'. It is on our Catholic Life > Catholic Life and Mission page for you to read.
https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/catholic-life-and-mission

1L and 3C Rejoices

Please note that 1L's Rejoice celebration will now be on Wednesday 9th December and 3C's Rejoice will be on Thursday 10th December.

PTA and Eco Council Uniform Project

Our Eco Councillors and PTA have been busy sharing our pre-loved uniform with families. We still have plenty of items available, including freshly washed shirts, and everything is completely free!
If your child needs any uniform, please get in touch using the link below. We are sorry if we haven't been able to fulfil specific requests, but we can only offer what we currently have in stock.
Please note that we are not accepting any further donations at this time while we work through our existing stock.
Thank you for supporting our project, helping families and reducing waste!
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd4C9gPVLMqRj8RKKHIX3QU46FcjXhNQ1a9nzvV8j0XOOIItQ/viewform?usp=header

Mrs Solkin Recommends

Our Learning Mentor, Mrs Solkin recommends the 30 Days of November Gratitude Challenges on our Wellbeing pages:
For adults – https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/learning-mentor-advice
For children - https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/well-being-for-children

Attend Anywhere' Virtual School Nurse Drop-in

The next 'Attend Anywhere' virtual school nurse drop-in, will take place on Monday 9th November, between 10am-4pm. Please follow the instructions in last week's attachment or on the Parents/Carers > Letters page of the website.

Sport

Massive congratulations to Oliver Holt. During the half term holidays, Oliver flew to Spain to represent England in the World Kickboxing Championships. Oliver reached the final in one category and won a silver medal. He also placed 3rd in another two categories securing two bronze medals. It was his first World Championships and he hopes to do it all again next year in Orlando.

Children's University

The October challenge is on the Our Learning > Children's University page of our website, if you need to send photos of your half-term activities to SeftonCU@elevate-ebp.co.uk .

PTA Meeting

Thank you to everyone who came to our PTA meeting on Monday. The next meeting is on Monday 16th November at 5pm to discuss Christmas activities. On Friday 13th November we have another 'Paint n Sip'. Details are on the Parents/Carers > PTA page of the website. https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/pta

Fundraising

Very well done and thank you to Crystal, Eliza, Ella P, Emilia, Frankie and Orlagh in Year 5 who creatively raised an amazing £166.60 for CAFOD by selling bracelets and treats from their home-made vending machine and with lucky dip and 'blind' bags.

School Lottery

The school lottery continues. There is a winner from school every week. Sign up at
https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/great-crosby-catholic-primary-school