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*Our Mission Statement*

*'Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.'*

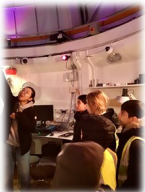
*St. Catherine of Siena*



Dear Parents and Carers,

**Road Safety Week** took place this week, this is a yearly campaign to raise awareness and reduce the number of injuries and deaths on the road. This is a great opportunity to promote good road safety awareness and behaviour now the evenings are dark so much earlier. This year, the theme was **"Safe vehicles, save lives"** and the children in all year groups thought about how safe vehicles help to make the roads safe for everyone. As part of this work, many children chose to write thank you cards to the Road Safety Heroes who help us if there is a road accident and school will send these on to Mill Hill Ambulance Station, Barnet Fire Station and local hospitals.

Thank you Miss Brennan for organising the Road Safety Week lessons and activities for all our children to enjoy and to help keep them safe.



## Year 5 Trip To Observatory

Year 5 classes visited the Mill Hill Observatory on Wednesday as part of their work on the 'Earth and Space' topic and the children really enjoyed learning how the Observatory helps with this important science work.

## Class 3A Assembly

Class 3A shared a wonderful assembly today on the theme of anti-bullying. This was the children's first assembly since joining the Junior School and they were very confident speaking about different types of bullying and the harm it causes. They also acted out a number of scenarios showing how we can challenge bullying and make others feel valued and included. There was a power failure mid-assembly and the children just carried on without any fuss and we were all so proud of how they coped with this unexpected issue. Their beautiful performance of the song, "This is me" was very moving and really celebrated the fact that we are all different and God has made each one of us unique and with our own purpose in life. Thanks you Class 3A for a really inspiring assembly and thanks to parents for joining us and giving such wonderful support. A very big thanks also to Miss Hamid, Mrs O'Carroll and Miss Marquez for all their work with the children this term as they have settled in to Year 3 and for helping them prepare for their assembly.

## Year 3 Applications to Junior School for 2026

Thank you to all the Year 2 parents who were able to join us at the meeting this week about applying to join the Junior School in Year 3 from September 2025. We will send the Admissions information and Supplementary Information Form home with your child if you were unable to attend the meeting and post the links for online applications and other helpful information on Class Dojo. Please contact the Junior School office for any other information or help with the application process.

### Christmas Fayre Donations



Thank you for your very generous support today and lovely donations for the Christmas Fayre. The PTA are busy organising these and other events and stalls for the Fayre in two weeks time. Tickets for raffle

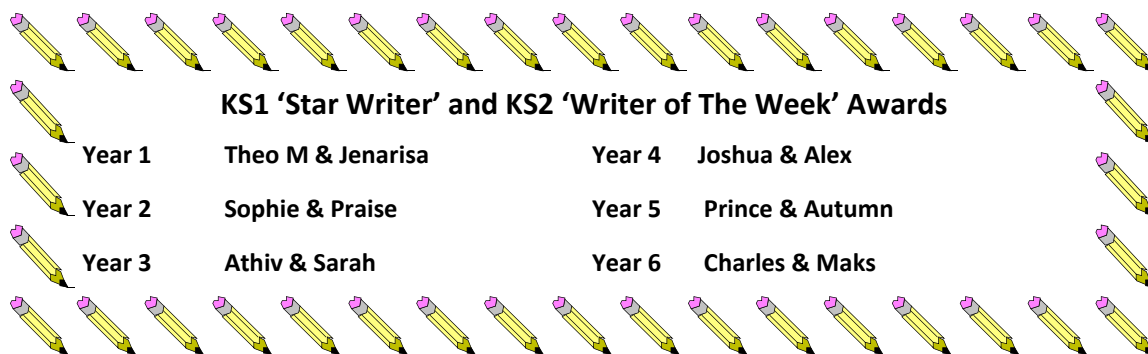


prizes and Santa's Grotto have now gone on sale each day at both schools and we are organising different time slots again this year for children and families to visit Santa in his Grotto. A poster with information about the Fayre and main raffle prizes is on Class Dojo and displayed around both outside areas.

The PTA welcome any volunteers to help or contribute food, please contact them on 07716 935643 if you can help. They would also appreciate **Jolly Jars** decorated by the children and these can still be sent in over the next two weeks. Thank you for your support.

Keep warm and have a lovely weekend!

Miss J. O'Prey  
Headteacher



#### KS1 'Star Writer' and KS2 'Writer of The Week' Awards

Year 1	Theo M & Jenarisa	Year 4	Joshua & Alex
Year 2	Sophie & Praise	Year 5	Prince & Autumn
Year 3	Athiv & Sarah	Year 6	Charles & Maks



#### STAR OF THE WEEK

##### Infants

N	Elsa	1A	Hazel
RA	Asaiah	1B	Kiara
RB	Chahil	2A	Eliana
		2B	Harry



#### STAR OF THE WEEK

##### Juniors

3A	Whole Class	5A	Joseph
3B	Thomas	5B	Albert
4A	Chloe	6A	Jenny
4B	Zion	6B	Thomas



# ATTENDANCE

Congratulations  
to **4A & 6B**  
for having the  
highest



attendance!

Class	
R1	86
R2	92
1A	93
1B	91
2A	96
2B	94
3A	98
3B	94
4A	99
4B	95
5A	92
5B	94
6A	98
6B	99

## Celebration of The Word

### The Gospel for Sunday 23rd November

This Sunday we celebrate the feast of **Christ the King**. In the Gospel, the leaders, soldiers and others mock Jesus as God's Chosen One and as king. Jesus' kingship is not one of military or political power, but one of love and mercy. Jesus forgave those who crucified him. In life, we all make mistakes, but we never have to be afraid to ask God for forgiveness. **The Word** we are celebrating this week is **Mercy**.

*The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. "He saved others," they said, "let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One." The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals hanging there abused him. "Are you not the Christ?" he said. "Save yourself and us as well." But the other spoke up and rebuked him. "Have you no fear of God at all?" he said. "You received the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus," he said, "remember me when you come into your kingdom." "Indeed, I promise you," Jesus replied, "today you will be with me in paradise."*

Adapted from The Gospel of Luke 23:35-43

The Feast of Christ the King

## AIS and AJS VALUES

Tolerance	4a	Michael
Respect	4b	Eduard
Commitment	3b	Erika
Truth	5b	Harper
Excellence	6b	Assia
Safety	3a	Caleb
Courage	5a	Niamh
Justice	6b	Althea
Safety	N	Maria
	RA	Tiffany
	RB	Cassiel
	1A	Theo B
	1B	Enzo
	2A	Malaika
	2B	Chidiebube

## Maths Superstars

Year 3	Acacia & Ariana
Year 4	Clementine & Kayden
Year 5	Drake & Elias
Year 6	Muhammed & Lena

## KEY DATES

Date	What	Where/When
2/12/25	Reception Classes Nativity	Infant School 9.30am
5/12/25	Class 3B Assembly	Junior School 9.00am
5/12/25	Christmas Fayre - Junior School	3.30pm to 6.00pm
9/12/25	Junior School Carol Service	The Church 6.00pm
10/12/25	Key Stage 1 Infants Nativity for Year 1 Parents	9.15am
11/12/25	Key Stage 1 Infants Nativity for Year 2 Parents	9.15am
11/12/25	Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day for all children	
12/12/25	Class 4A Assembly	Junior School 9.00am
17/12/25	Nursery Nativity	Morning Parents 9.15am
18/12/25	Rocksteady Concerts	Junior School 9.30am
19/12/25	Schools close early for Christmas Holidays	Infant School 1.15pm Junior School 1.25pm

## The Annunciation Schools' Safeguarding Team

Miss Odoi

Miss Martin

Mrs Stanley Ms Bourke

Miss O'Prey

Mr McCreadie

Miss Brennan

Mrs Griffin

