



# St Anne's CE Primary School & Nursery

# NEWSLETTER



Year 5 kicked off our first sporting league of the year on Wednesday at Bishop Barrington Academy. They took part in the first night of the Education Enterprise Tag Rugby league. They played for each other, with a smile on their face. A real team effort!

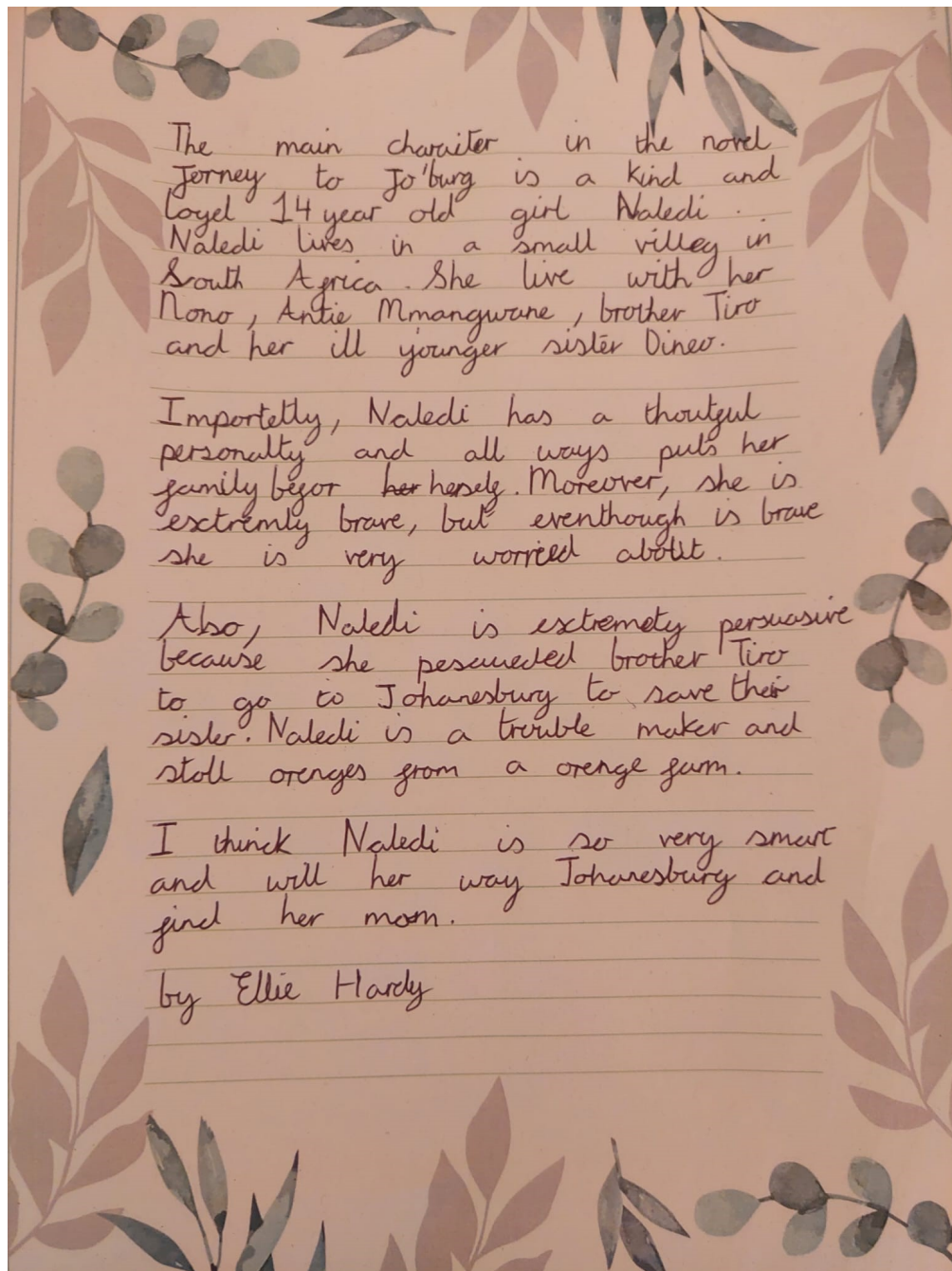
Well done team St. Anne's!



## Year 6 Creative Writing

Year 6 have produced some amazing examples of creative writing this week. It is wonderful to see our children have such great imagination, writing skills and beautiful handwriting.

Well done Year 6!





The most important character in the novel, *Journey to Jo'burg*, is a young girl named Naledi, who is around 14 years old. Naledi lives in a small village in South Africa. Also, she lives with her two younger siblings, Tiro and Dineo, she also lives with her Auntie and Grandma. Moreover, Naledi is a pretty stubborn character because once she changes her mind she won't change it! Although, she is very stubborn, she is as loyal as a lion as she would always support and help her family in times of need.

Manipulatively, she convinces her brother to walk to Johannesburg to find their Mma who is working there for more money. Sadly, her baby sister Dineo is gravely ill and needs medical attention fast or she could die, so bravely Naledi attempts to help as she is very determined.

Later on in the story we find out that she is quite the trouble-maker because she steals some oranges from a farmer. Even though she stole the oranges from the farmer it just shows how caring she is as she got them for her brother. Sadly, she is pretty self-less as she always puts others before herself. Importantly, she is very gentle because she would never even hurt a fly.

Naledi is an intelligent hard-worker who always protects her family at all costs like it's her number 1 rule.

Naledi is as lively as a dolphin and as caring as an orangutan because she cares for others no matter who or what ever is going on. Although, she is determined she worries she will be put into the prison farm for not being able to go to Johannesburg because of the pass.

Due to Naledi's brave and confident behaviour I think she will be able to find her Mma and save the day.

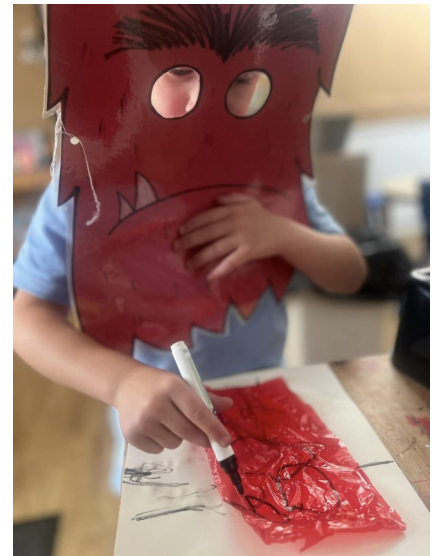
By Muzjic Winter

## Reception Class—The Colour Monster

Last week in Reception we have used the book 'The Colour Monster' to explore our emotions.

The book has helped us to open up and understand that it is ok to feel different emotions and think about how we can deal with them.

We enjoyed telling our friends what makes us feel happy and loved and also what makes us a little afraid so our friends could support us.





# Stars of the Week awarded on 22 September 2023

Year 1 Citizen Award

Reya for being a wonderful friend

Year 1 Maths Award

Alex for excellent participation during carpet time

Year 1 English Award

Robin for fabulous independent work

Year 2 Citizen Award

Poppy C for helping her classmates



# Stars of the Week awarded on 22 September 2023

Year 3 Citizen Award	Isaac for fantastic listening and effort at all times
Year 4 Citizen Award	Teejay
Year 4 Maths Award	Tyler
Year 4 English Award	Ava H
Year 5 Citizen Award	Lotti for being an excellent friend and showing great sportsmanship during PE
Year 5 Maths Award	Lennox
Year 5 English Award	Harry
Year 6 Citizen Award	Clayton for being a kind and caring buddy!
Year 6 Maths Award	Aiden
Year 6 English Award	Oliver

WORLD'S BIGGEST  
**COFFEE**  
MORNING

**MACMILLAN**  
CANCER SUPPORT



**Friday 29 September 2023**

On Friday 29 September, we will be hosting a coffee morning for Macmillan Cancer Support. The event will be for all students and staff and for a small donation they will be able to enjoy cakes, biscuits and refreshments. Also, anyone wishing to donate cakes – be it homemade or shop bought, would be greatly appreciated! If you are donating homemade cakes, please ensure there is a list of ingredients for students with allergies or intolerances.

Children and Parents attending the Buddies Worship that morning, will have their own separate coffee morning as part of the morning events.

Let's help Macmillan change lives. The money raised helps provide physical, financial and emotional support for cancer sufferers and their families.

We look forward to welcoming students and staff and raising money for such a good cause!





Thank you for all your kind donations. We have raised an amazing **£175!!**

## Tuck Shop

Due to the Macmillan Coffee Morning next week, there will be no tuck shop. The following week (Friday 6 October) tuck shop will return with hot chocolate in place of ice pops.

Chocolate bar 30p

Hot chocolate with biscuit 50p





# DURHAM MUSIC SERVICE



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## Year 6 Open Evening

**Wednesday  
27th September  
5.30pm - 8pm**

**Extended hours for 2023 due to high demand!**



Head Teacher: Mrs S Binks

Minds to learn hearts to care.



# Open Evening

Tuesday 26th September, 5-8pm

Headteacher  
welcome sessions:  
5.30pm and 6.30pm

## St John's Open Evening



**St John's**  
Catholic Primary School

**S**uccess  
**O**pportunities  
**A**spirations  
**R**espect

Thursday 28th September  
5.30-7.30pm

Headteacher talks will take place at 5.30pm and 6.30pm

"PUPILS FULLY EMBRACE THE  
OPPORTUNITIES GIVEN TO THEM."  
DIOCESAN INSPECTION 2019



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## Breakfast Club

Could we please remind everyone attending breakfast club that the last entry is **8.30am**.

## Smart watches

A number of our children were bought Smart watches for Christmas. Whilst these are wonderful gifts, they can only be worn in school if they do not have a camera and/or games facilities.

## Mobile phones

Reminder that children who bring mobile phones to school, should hand them to the Office, switched off. They can be collected from the Office at the end of the day.

## Leaving children at gate

Polite reminder that children should be encouraged to walk onto the yard each morning on their own. The main gate and the yard are supervised by members of staff.



Polite reminder that children who have vomited or have had diarrhoea should remain off school for 48 hours from the last episode. This is to ensure your child is fully fit before returning to school and also to help stop the spread of illness to children and staff. Thank you





## **Parking**

Could we please ask you to consider our neighbours when parking your car outside of school. On a number of occasions ,drive ways have been blocked.

## **Absence reporting**

Polite reminder that all absences and medical appointments should be reported to the Office by telephone on 01388 603359 each day.

## **Medical appointments**

We have a large number of children leaving school early each day for medical appointments. Whilst we understand the difficulties in booking appointments, could we please ask that wherever possible appointments are made outside of school hours to limit disruption to your child's education. We will also be asking for evidence of medical appointments. This can be an appointment card, text etc.

## **Holiday requests**

Polite reminder that all holiday requests must be made in advance, with forms available from the Office. Please be aware that only in exceptional circumstances will your request will be approved.

## **Earrings**

Could we please remind you that earrings should be removed for PE lessons and where they cant be removed, they should be taped.

## **Reading books**

We have a number of reading books being returned from home damaged or not being returned at all. Could we please ask that care is taken with any books taken home. Any lost or damaged books will be charged at £2.00 per book, to your child's Arbor account.



September	October	November	December	January	February
	1	1 Holiday	1	1 Holiday	1
1	2	2 Holiday	2	2 Holiday	2
2	3	3 Holiday	3	3	3
3	4	4	4	4	4
4 PD Day	5	5	5	5	5 Mental Health week
5 PD Day	6 Y3 Class Worship	6	6	6	6
6	7	7 Parents evening Photographs	7 Christmas fair	7	7 Safer Internet Day
7	8	8 Y1 Class Worship	8 Christmas jumper day Christmas dinner	8	8
8	9	9	9	9	9
9	10	10	10	10	10
10	11	11	11	11	11
11	12	12	12	12	12
12	13	13 Anti-bullying week	13 KS1 nativity	13	13
13	14	14 Diabetes Day	14 Christmas disco	14	14
14	15	15 Road Safety	15	15	15
15	16 Black history week	16 Children in Need	16	16	16
16	17	17 PD Day	17	17	17
17	18 Harvest	18	18 KS2 at church	18	18
18	19	19	19	19	19 Holiday
19	20	20	20 Holiday	20	20 Holiday
20	21	21	21 Holiday	21	21 Holiday
21	22	22	22 Holiday	22	22 Holiday
22	23	23	23	23	23 Holiday
23	24	24	24	24	24
24	25	25	25 Holiday	25	25
25	26	26	26 Holiday	26	26 Fair Trade Fortnight
26	27	27	27 Holiday	27	27
27	28	28	28 Holiday	28	28
28	29	29	29 Holiday	29	29
29 Buddies worship Macmillan	30 Holiday	30 Y2 Class Worship	30	30	





March	April	May
1	1 Holiday	1
2	2 Holiday	2
3	3 Holiday	3
4	4 Holiday	4
5 Parents evening	5 Holiday	5
6	6	6 Bank Holiday
7 World Book Day	7	7
8 Special Person Day	8 Holiday	8
9	9 Holiday	9
10	10 Holiday	10
11	11 Holiday	11
12	12 Holiday	12
13	13	13 KS2 SATS week
14	14	14
15	15	15
16	16	16
17	17	17
18	18	18
19	19	19
20	20	20
21	21	21
22	22	22
23	23	23 Y5 Class Worship
24	24	24 PD Day
25	25 Y4 Class Worship	25
26	26 Earth Day	26
27	27	27 Holiday
28 Holiday	28	28 Holiday
29 Holiday	29	29 Holiday
30	30	30 Holiday
31		31 Holiday





June	July	August
1	1	1 Holiday
2	2	2 Holiday
3	3	3
4	4	4
5	5	5 Holiday
6	6	6 Holiday
7	7	7 Holiday
8	8	8 Holiday
9	9 Music <u>concert</u>	9 Holiday
10	10	10
11	11	11
12	12	12 Holiday
13	13	13 Holiday
14 Special Person Day	14	14 Holiday
15	15 Reports to Parents	15 Holiday
16	16	16 Holiday
17	17 Performance	17
18	18 Performance	18
19	19 Nursery graduation	19 Holiday
20 Sports Day	20	20 Holiday
21 World Music Day	21	21 Holiday
22	22 Y6 leavers	22 Holiday
23	23	23 Holiday
24 Pride <u>week</u>	24 Holiday	24
25	25 Holiday	25
26	26 <u>Holiday</u>	26 Holiday
27	27	27 Holiday
28 PD Day	28	28 Holiday
29	29 Holiday	29 Holiday
30	30 Holiday	30 Holiday
	31 Holiday	31





## School holidays for the 2023/24 academic year

Holiday	Closing date	Date re-opens
Summer 2023	Friday 21 July 2023	Monday 4 September 2023
Autumn half-term 2023	Friday 27 October 2023	Monday 6 November 2023
Christmas 2023	Tuesday 19 December 2023	Wednesday 3 January 2024
Spring half-term 2024	Friday 16 February 2024	Monday 26 February 2024
Easter 2024	Thursday 28 March 2024	Monday 15 April 2024
May Day 2024	Friday 3 May 2024	Tuesday 7 May 2024
Summer half-term 2024	Friday 24 May 2024	Monday 3 June 2024
Summer 2024	Tuesday 23 July 2024	Wednesday 4 September 2024

PD dates for 2023/24 are:

Monday 4 September 2023

Tuesday 5 September 2023

Friday 17 November 2023

Friday 24 May 2024

Friday 28 June 2024

On these dates school will be closed for all children.

