



St Ippolyts CE (Aided) Primary School

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# NEWSLETTER



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On Friday, we enjoyed a special celebration assembly showcasing all the children's learning from our Journey Through Europe arts week. Everyone's creations are now displayed in the main entrance in our annual exhibition; a big thank you to the staff for putting this together so beautifully - it looks amazing! Remember to pop along during Open Session next week to see for yourself!



# Open Session ~ Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 3.30-5.00pm

We do hope you can come along to the upcoming Open Session and that you will enjoy seeing your child's classroom, their books and teacher. You will also be able to see the 'Journey through Europe' exhibition too. A reminder that these are informal 'drop ins', not a consultation, and you do not need a set appointment.

Classes 3, 5, and 6: Use the Class 5/6 doors

Classes 1, 2 and 4: Use the main entrance

*Please be aware that buggies and prams cannot be brought into the building.*

**To avoid congestion in the foyer, please pass through the arts exhibition and go to the classrooms first, then view the exhibition on your way out.**

**Thank you!**

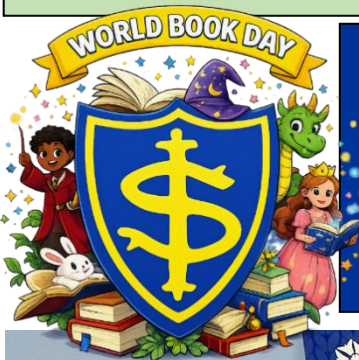
## CLASS 4 CAKE DAY TOMORROW!



Class 4 Assembly  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February  
9.15am

## MOVIE & MUNCH

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
Bookings close Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb



## World Book Day 2026

Advance notice for costume planning purposes! Thursday, 5th March



Charlie chicks are hatching early this year, in aid of the Garden House Hospice. Get yours from the main office!



## Brilliant Badminton!

A great result at the SSFT badminton tournament yesterday, with gold medals and a first place trophy. Very well done team!



## Terrific trampolining!

It was a great competition weekend for the trampoliners and their supporters at the zonal round in Cardiff. The girls team came in first place, and the two boys teams finished first and second! This sends them all on to the national finals in March. A great result, well done everyone!



# PUPIL JOURNALIST

*Felicity Year 6*

## SCIENCE THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL

All the classes in our school have been doing lots of interesting science, but let's dive deeper into the work they've done.

**Class 1** – In science class 1 have been testing and finding out which objects float and which objects sink by dropping things into water. Sounds like fun to me!

**Class 2** – Class 2 have been looking at and naming different materials as well as objects that are made out of the materials.

**Class 3** – In class 3 there has been an intriguing experiment that has taken place. They have placed a seed on a wet paper towel and eagerly waited to see if it will grow or not.

**Class 4** – In class 4 they have been learning about electricity. So far they have found out what things use electricity and whether they use batteries or not. Then they draw the objects that use electricity.

**Class 5** – The topic class 5 have been is all light, and this science got a place on the golden chair. An amazing fact that the golden chair pupil a couple of weeks ago shared with the school was that your eyes see everything upside down, but your mind corrects it.

**Class 6** – In class 6 we've also been learning about electricity. Firstly, we learnt how electricity gets to our homes. Now we are doing circuits and seeing what they are made up of.

What a load of fantastic science!

## FACT OF THE WEEK

*Did you know that Oxford University is older than the Aztec Empire!*



Last Sunday in church, we heard about the Conversion of St Paul. Paul, also known as Saul, persecuted those who followed Jesus and sought them out to kill them. While he was journeying to Damascus to round up more followers to kill, he had an encounter that changed everything for him and led him to be convinced that Jesus really was the promised Messiah.

You can read about Paul's conversion in Acts 9:1-22.

Revd Tricia talked with the children about St Paul in Wednesday Worship. She says that 'St Paul's conversion shows us that change is possible for anyone. God didn't hold Paul's past against him; instead, God worked through Paul to reach many people. This is a reminder that, no matter our past mistakes, God can work through each of us.'

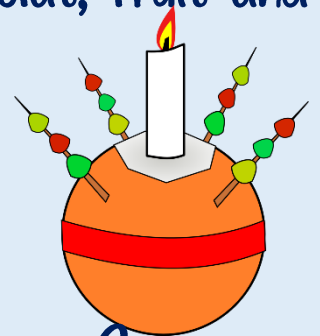
## COME TO OUR CHRISTINGLE!

Our Christingle service this year is in St Ippolyts Church on **Sunday 1st February at 9.15am.**

It's a joyful and informal service lasting around 30 minutes and we offer a lovely breakfast of croissants, pain au chocolat, fruit and coffee/tea/squash afterwards – no charge!

We talk about what the Christingle means and our collection goes to the Children's Society to help with their valuable work with young people.

Everyone is welcome!



Rev Ginni