

# St Alban and St Stephen Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Anti-Bullying Week

&

Odd Socks Day



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AGAINST  
BULLYING**  
#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

What part will you play  
this Anti-Bullying Week?

**ANTI-BULLYING  
WEEK 2020**  
16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> November

**ODD SOCKS  
DAY 2020**  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November



Friday 20th November 2020

### Anti- Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day

This week we raised awareness of bullying. The children attended assemblies and learnt about the importance of standing up to bullying and speaking out. On Monday, we wore odd socks to school to highlight the importance of accepting each other's differences and celebrating them. The children did some wonderful work in class throughout the week and read many lovely stories about friendships and kindness towards others.



## Wonderful Work in Year 1

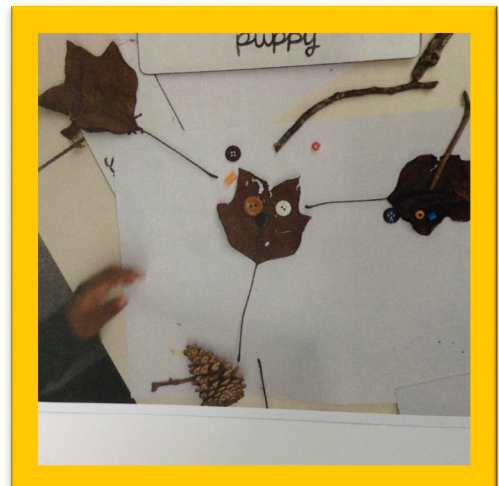
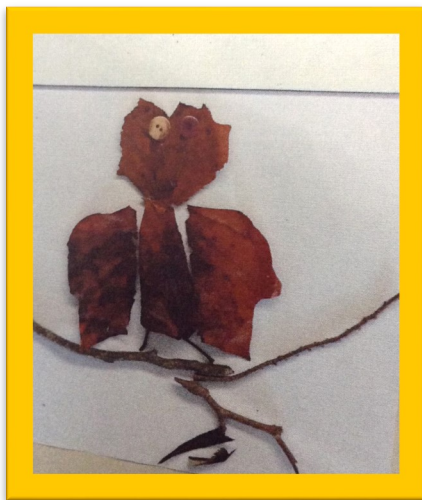
Year 1's topic is 'Wonderful Weather and Special Seasons'. We have been looking at the artist Andy Goldsworthy and created our own natural art pictures.

In R.E., we have been learning about the special Baptismal Candle and we made our own versions. We also re-enacted out a baptism. We were super actors and played the roles brilliantly remembering the special words the priest uses - 'I baptise you in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit'. Over the last few weeks in English we created our own firework poems and beautiful firework pictures using pastels.



Our role play area is up and running - a weather station, where we present a weather report!

We also made animal pictures and other wonderful creations using natural resources like Andy Goldsworthy does in his work. Don't they all look AMAZING!



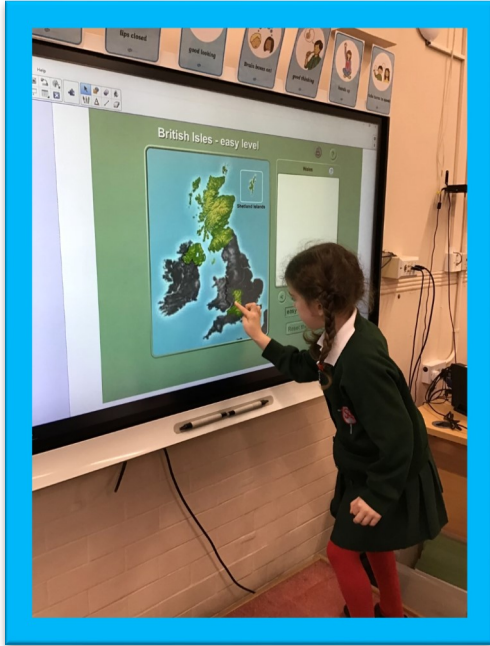
## Wonderful Work in Year 2

Year 2 have had a very busy week. The children completed their topic on Baptism where they learnt all about the different symbols that are used during the ceremony and have written their own fabulous guides to Baptism. It would be lovely if you would share memories and photographs of their own baptism with them. We held a short service where the children reflected on all they had learnt during the topic.

We have also been learning about the Hindu celebration of Diwali. We listened to the story of Rama and Sita - where good triumphs over evil. We learnt so much and had great fun acting out the story with puppets.



We have also been busy honing our Geography skills and learning how to use atlases. The children found out which countries make up the United Kingdom and what the capital city of each country is. They then had to use an atlas to find where each city is located on a map.



### Congratulations Alice!



Congratulations to Alice in Year 2! She is posing with her Green Blue Peter badge that she received for her litter picking efforts and inspiring her friends to join her, as well as litter picking in her neighbourhoods. We are very proud of you!

## Online Virtual Sports Club

During lockdown we are very aware that our pupils need to stay fit and healthy and are proud that we have been able to continue our Enrichment Club program. However, we are also aware that a number of after school sport clubs have had to be cancelled.

The Youth Sport Trust have launched an After School Sport Club starting at 5.00 pm on school days from 16th November to 18th December which lasts for 30 minutes. The Club will have different themes as follows:

**Adventure Monday** - This might involve getting children to do floor wall climbing and map reading all within their living room or home space

**Tuesday Play** - Imaginative play utilising resources in the house to create games and activities to get active

**Wild Wednesday** - High tempo competitive activities involving personal challenges

**Thinking Thursday** - Introducing cognitive challenges for children through movement. Games could include active noughts and crosses, and introducing an element of competition - whether that be against themselves, the clock, their siblings or remotely against friends

**Fun Friday** - A chance for children to let loose and have some fun. Dancing and doing what makes them feel good

Sessions will be broadcast live for children through the Youth Sport Trust's <https://www.youtube.com/user/YouthSportTrust> and access is free.

Let's Keep Fit and Health

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

God bless.

Mrs Moore, Mrs Porter, and all the staff of SSAS.