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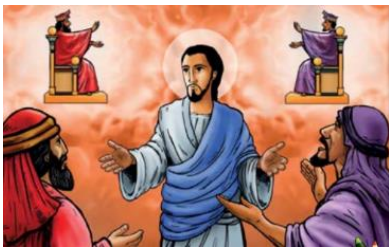
15th October 2021

Dear Parents,

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus teaches the disciples how to be truly great. Being kind, self-giving, thoughtful and helpful are great qualities. It's not always easy to live our lives in this way but it is the way that God want us to live, to become the best that we can be. Ask your child what the word 'greatness' means to them. Who does your child know at home, at school or in the community who shows true greatness by putting others' needs first? It may help your child if you tell them about someone you know to be 'great'. God is great and He made us to be great too.

Through spending lots of his time serving others Jesus shows us the way to true greatness.

"Lord, open my heart, mind and ears to receive your Word."



James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus and said, "Master, we want you to do us a favour." Jesus said, "What is it you want me to do for you?" They answered, "When you come into your glory, allow one of us to sit at your right hand and the other at your left." When the other ten heard this they began to feel angry with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said, "You know how some rulers want to order people around and to control them. Well, you must not be like that. Whoever wants to be truly great must follow my example and be like a servant to others. I did not come to be served – I came to serve, and to give my life for other people."

From the Gospel of Sunday 17th October 2021 Cf. Mark 10: 35-45



"Doing little things with a strong desire to please God makes them great."

St Francis de Sales

**The Wednesday word is
Greatness**

Harvest Parcels

We still have many donations of pasta, tins and other non-perishable items for parents who wish to collect them. Please come to the school reception and ask Mrs Sharples who will be more than happy to help you.

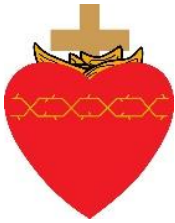
Vacant places for September 2021 FY

We currently have some vacancies in our EYFS class for September 2021 if any families are looking for places for their children. As a faith based school, we welcome children of all faiths so please spread the word so children do not miss out. Contact the school office on 0121 356 4721 to enquire or by email enquiry@sacredheart-sch.net.

Online e-safety workshop

There will be a workshop for parents to discuss and support families and children with staying safe online. More information will be sent in the coming weeks. The meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 2nd November at 9.15am.**





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Parents Evening

Next week, week beginning Monday 18th October, parents will be receiving phone calls from teachers to discuss how children have been settling back into school. Please take note of the time period you will be called on the letter sent home.

Birchfield Library

Miss Joseph has begun taking small groups of children to Birchfield Library to encourage a love of reading and allow children to be immersed in the wonderful range of stories and texts that they have there. The library staff were thrilled to see children returning to visit so please encourage your children to visit their local library and enjoy the opportunities that they are providing once again.

Dates for your diary

End of term- Thursday 21st October

Start of Autumn 2- Tuesday 2nd November

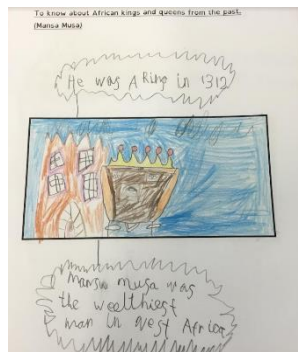
School is closed on Friday 22nd October and Monday 1st November for staff training.

Black History Month

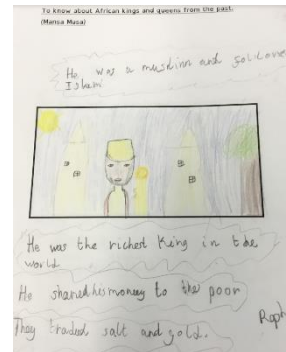
All through the month of October, the children in school have been studying famous African kings and queens, Anansi stories, inspirational black sportspeople, political figures, musicians and inventors. They have learned so much so please ask your child what important figures they have found out about. Thank you to Miss Latchman for organising such an important body of work for our children.



Anansi masks



Mansa Musa

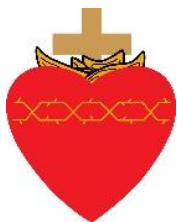


Mohammad Ali world champion belts



Nelson Mandela artwork





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Gospel Virtues

This half term, children will be growing to be **Eloquent** and **truthful** in what they say of themselves, the relations between people, and the world. By developing an **eloquent** language which pupils can use to understand and articulate their emotions, beliefs, and questions, encouraged by the example of their teachers to be **truthful** in the way they represent themselves and speak about the world.

Congratulations to the following children for living out these virtues: Emmanuel, Chizitelum, Kymani and Esa.

Commendations

The following children have been commended by their teachers and teaching assistants for their wonderful work in school: Abdul-Raheem, Nicholas, Emmanuel and Idrees.

Presentation Awards

Well done to the following children who have shown such pride in the presentation of their work this week. Maxi, Abigail, Anayah and Lucas.

House Points

Congratulations to **St Mark** for being the winning house this week.

Special Mention

Lydia for her dedication to her Faith Ambassador role and selfless use of her time to support others. Well done, Lydia.

Our wonderful Gifts from God children.



Attendance

Congratulations to Year 5 with the highest attendance this week.



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Yours sincerely

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