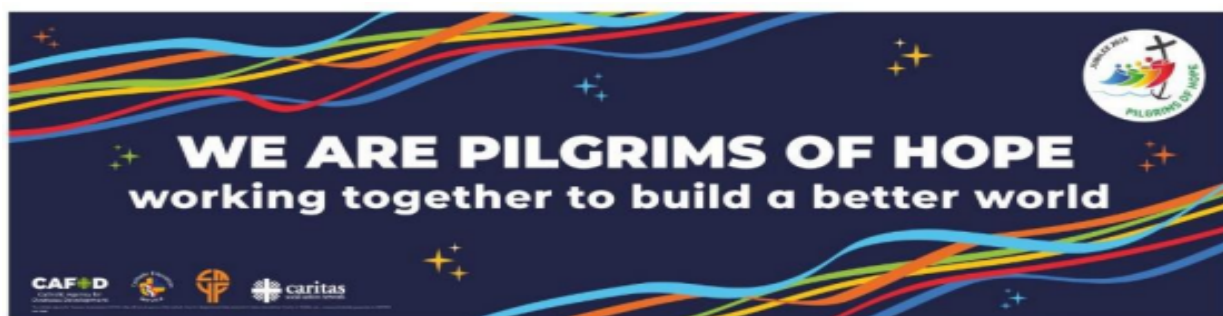


Our School Mission is what God sent us into the world to do – to help build His Kingdom through learning, playing, and making friends together.

The tools we will use to do this are: Loving, Caring, Sharing, Trusting and Respect



Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2026

Hello. We have been busy learning our song for our whole school harvest celebration, and we have also been very busy with our learning. Thank you for supporting your children with the homework from the homework grid. The children love sharing their work with their friends and then putting it on our homework display for all to enjoy. From Monday, the whole school will be collecting food for Harvest, if you are able to donate any tinned food, pasta, long-life food, toiletries, that would be wonderful. All donations will be shared between the Rainbow centre in Folkestone and our very own food pantry at school.

In Daily Reflection this week we have been thinking about the word sharing. The children have really been able to relate to this word, and it is something that we have been working on. The children have been great at sharing the school equipment this week, especially during 'Busy Imp' time. As one imp said, 'Sharing is caring.'

*"And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel to the whole world."  
Mark 16:15*

In RE this week, we have been thinking about how we make friends with people, we talk to them. We learnt that Christians all over the world talk to God through prayer and when they pray, they make the sign of the cross. The children have been making the sign of the cross when we pray during reflection time, at lunch time, in assemblies and at our home time prayer. The children decorated their own crosses and helped to write a class prayer, which they decorated. On Friday, we also learnt about Saint Francis of Assisi as this year marks the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his death. Saint Francis was a wonderful role model who loved all animals. We made bird feeders (because of Saint Francis' love for animals) with our Unicorn partners which we have hung in our garden areas.

In Phonics this week the children have been learning the sounds g, o, c and k. We have been thinking about how we say these sounds and how we write these letters. Thank you to everyone who is practicing our sounds at home – it really makes a difference! Next Friday, the children will be bringing home their phonics books alongside their sharing books. Please could you make sure that the phonics book are returned by Thursday each week so we have time to change the books ready for the following week.

In English this week we continued our work on Fairytales. We shared the story of Hansel and Gretel, looking at the characters, the setting and ordering the events in the story. We also went for a walk along our school banks/forest, just like Hansel and Gretel and the children thought it was a great adventure! They have asked several times if they could go to the Stella Maris forest again!!! Next week we will be looking at the fairytale 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears.'

In Maths this week the children have been thinking about how we can make 2, 3 and 4. We have thought about how 1 and another 1 make 2 etc. The children have been representing these numbers in different ways and looking at amounts, deciding how many altogether. The children have been working hard in their number work.

In celebration assembly this week we celebrated Beau who always shows our Gospel values in school. He is always so kind and thoughtful to both the adults and children in his class. We also celebrated Peggy who has settled into Stella Maris beautifully and is working really hard in her learning. Lastly, we celebrated Milan who is beginning to show good listening and is trying hard to follow instructions. We are so proud of Beau, Milan and Peggy, what little superstars they are.

#### Extra Information

-We are collecting for Harvest from Monday. If your child can bring in some tinned food etc for those less fortunate that would be amazing. We are collecting for the local foodbank this harvest time.

-Parent open afternoon, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2:15pm till 3:15pm.

-Please could you send in an old plain white t-shirt with your child's name in. We will be using these to celebrate the festival Holi, in our paint throwing activity. We will need the t'shirt in school by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2026. Thank you.

Have a wonderful weekend and we will see you on Monday.

Mrs Jukes and Mrs Green