



The Crown by Gabby in Year 6 (RE work)

*Golden Gates await me as I appear in the clouds,
Angels all around me in dozens of crowds,
I may be dreaming or it's a dream come true,
Gold tables everywhere, Gold linen running through,
2 old friends await me, they wear excellent white gowns,
Then all of a sudden, appears the crown.*

*I see the fruits, the ones in the garden,
Nobody will tempt me this time, no thank you, excuse me, pardon,
I look down and all I see is white,
Then I look up, the sun is shining too brightly,
2 old friends await me, they wear excellent white gowns,
Then all of a sudden appears the crown.*

Message from our Chaplain...

We do a lot of counting.

There's birthdays and house numbers and telephone numbers. There's shopping and money. And there's working out how much is 200 centimetres or 2 metres when we're out and about.

But my favourite kind of counting is counting down.

Counting down to Christmas - 27 weeks.

Counting down to the Summer - 4 weeks.

Counting down to the weekend - 1 day left!

I wonder what you're counting down to?

Is it seeing family or friends? Is it a special day with someone special?

It's really important that we have things to look forward to. Think about them. Plan them in your mind and get excited for when they are coming.

Count-down to them and don't forget to count your blessings too.

We have so many things to be thankful for and so many things to look forward to. Why not share your excitement with someone else and say to yourself God is good all the time. All the time God is good.

Happy counting!!
Rev Dom.

Hello again everybody at St Mary Magdalene Primary School,

You may have heard the sad news that Dame Vera Lynn passed away at the age of 103 this week. Actually, she was a wonderful person and had a great life and was living in Sussex near the south coast in her later years. Vera was born and grew up in the London Borough of Newham, where she also went to school. She was the daughter of a plumber and a dressmaker. As a child she nearly died of a very serious illness, but after a few months treatment she recovered. Her main gift was singing. She started performing publicly at the age of seven, and appeared on radio for the first time at the age of 18. When she was 19 her first record came out. By the time she was in her twenties the second world war had started and she became very famous for the songs she sang during the war, and she was very popular amongst the troops. She became known as the 'Forces Sweetheart', and she travelled around the world to visit the soldiers in hospital and sing to them. Most famously in Burma. For her war time service, she received three medals and the Order of the British Empire. Some of Vera Lynns most popular songs were: There will always be an England, We'll Meet Again, and The White Cliffs of Dover. She also sang many more, and she sold more than 1 million records. We can see then that Vera came from a very ordinary working-class family in London, and she really had only one gift, which was singing. But that one gift was something she used all her life to bring hope and joy to millions of people in Britain and around the world, especially in the very hard times of the Second World War.

Have you ever thought what your gift or talent is? God gives gifts to all of us, so that we can use these in His service, either in the church or in the world. Whatever your gift is, try and develop it, and use it. Like Vera you may be able to help many people through the one gift that you have.

Stay safe this week. Rev Jesse

Messages from Staff...

Year 6 pupils, make sure you look out for an email with a questionnaire for the first ever St Mary Magdalene yearbook. Please fill it in and send it back to Mr Smith.

All the staff are looking forward to welcoming back some of the year 2, 3, 4 and 5 children over the next four weeks.

Let us pray...



*Dear God,
We thank you for each day. Remind us to show respect for others by being polite and using our manners.*

Amen.