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Topic Overviews and Knowledge Mats

Don't forget that **Topic Overviews** (detailing the learning going on in each subject within a topic) and **Knowledge Mats** (the information we want pupils to understand and remember for a topic) are available on each class page on our website. Our Knowledge Mats are a focal point in lessons and can act as a great discussion starter at home.

Handwriting Tip of the Week

The key to developing handwriting is **practice, practice, practice**. You can encourage pupils to practice at home by getting them to help you with shopping lists, cards, to-do lists, etc. Keep to short timed sessions so your child is able to maintain concentration without becoming bored or losing interest. Remember, if you are unsure on how we teach pupils to hold the pencil or form letters, you can check out the video guides on our [website](#).

Sport

Our Year 3 and 4 Indoor Athletics teams were in action this week. Check out our [website](#) to find out how they got on.



Matthew 2:1-12

'For out of you will come a ruler, who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Attendance

Team Attenborough, having collected the most house points in the Autumn term, have already had a boost to their chances of being on top again this term as it was announced that they were the house team with the **best attendance in December**, getting **50 house points** as their reward. Spring term is always a little shorter than the others and so a lot is squashed in to a short amount of time. Make sure your child is not missing out by getting them to school on time, every day.



On the 1st of January, we joined the Bosco Catholic Education Trust. The trust is made up of nine primary and two secondary schools, working closely together to develop Catholic Education across Sussex. Through close collaboration, we are looking forward to developing our offering to our pupils here at St Catherine's even further.

Diary Dates

January

Thurs 23 Y3 Class Liturgy 2.45pm
Fri 31 Film Night

February

Sat 1 - Fri 28 Readathon
Fri 14 Uniform Sale
Mon 17 - Fri 21 Half term
Mon 24 Return to school