





January 22nd - 26th, 2024



A joint initiative by Missio & St Aloysius Primary Chaplaincy and Global Citizenship Teams

Objective

St Aloysius College, Primary School celebrated a Cultural Awareness Week in January 2024 which also coincided with Holocaust Memorial Day on 27 Jan (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hYFaAKNpenQ) and Day of Human Fraternity on 4th Feb.

The aim was to highlight the richness of the world's cultures and dialogue for achieving peace and development. Bridging the gap between cultures leads to peace and harmony. It leads to growth and a more fulfilling emotional, moral and spiritual life. Supporting each other can lead to poverty reduction, respect and mutual understanding. During the Cultural Awareness Week, we opened our hearts and minds to each other, to truly be with each other, as we celebrated a universal God.

As traditions were highlighted, an awareness was created that all cultures can also learn from each other. Students shared and discussed experiences and looked at some of the challenges faced by other countries. This sharing of traditions leads to openness and creativity - we are all God's children and being different makes the world a beautiful place.

January 2024

Mon 22, Tues 23: Part 1. Kid World Citizen – Part of a wonderful and diverse world.

This activity explored the question: what does it mean to be a world citizen? Kids around the world were asked what it means to be a world citizen, and compiled their answers in an adorable video: http://youtu.be/Splgpdy9rjU

Our students watched the video and were helped to understand by their class teacher that:

- When something happens on one side of the world, it affects people on the other side of the world because we are all connected! A world citizen understands that we are connected and works to help everyone have the same human rights no matter where they live.
- A world citizen respects all cultures and religions, even if they do things a little differently than we do.
- ➤ A world citizen knows that there are many different perspectives and different ways to solve problems. We should be a good role model for others, take responsibility for our actions, and have compassion for others around the world.
- A world citizen works with others to protect our planet and to fight inequality.
- A world citizen understands that everyone is important, no matter where you live in the world.

Wed 24, Thur 25: Part 2. Cultural Market

Every prep adopted one missionary country. Then each student was invited to take part in three stations and participate in activities related to the country. Volunteers from Missio Malta led the interactive activities in the school hall.



Pre Prep Classes



Prep 1 classes













Prep 2 classes

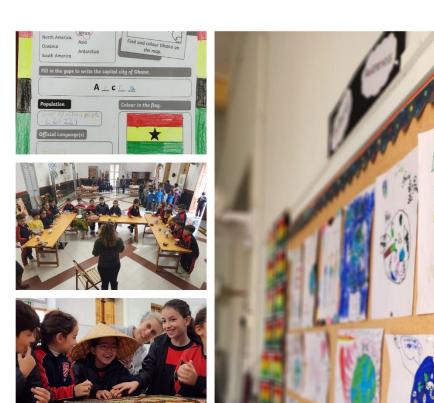


Prep 3 classes

Prep 4 classes















Prep 5 classes

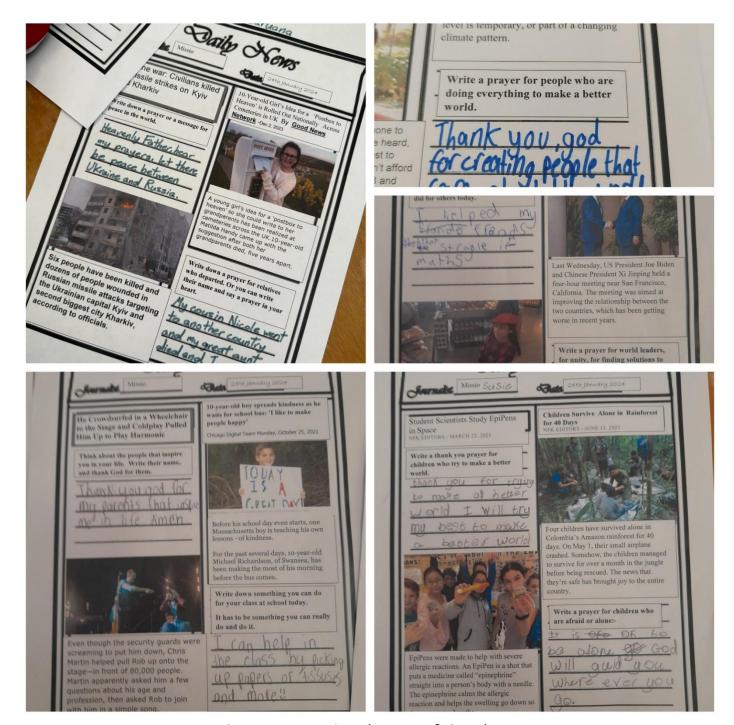


Prep 6 classes



The Assistant Heads

joining in the fun!



Some prayers written by Prep 5 & 6 students

Fri 26: Part 3. Interfaith Celebration

The cultural awareness week came to an end on Friday with our first ever Interfaith Celebration. Students were shown a mime performed by members of the Alive Team. The mime showed how people from different religions can pray together. Students were then treated to a special Hindu prayer dance by a young Indian youth living in Malta, Dessika. A donation was made to Missio Tfal to help in their overseas missionary projects.



Watch: St Aloysius Primary School Cultural Awareness Week

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WxuQN_uyUaU