



Dear Parents & Carers,

Newsletter 18: 5th April 2019

As we draw close to the end of term, I wanted to thank you all for the support and encouragement you have given to your children and the staff at school. It has been a pleasure to work with you again this term in providing the very best for all our children. Thank you to all the parents who have been able to take the time to join us in school for the liturgies, mother's day event our museum day and the many other events we have held this term. Thank you for the support you have given to school fund raising events for the class charities in supporting those in need.

I'm sure you will join me in thanking every member of staff in school and our school governors, Fr Wilfred and Marsha and Joe (our Trust chaplaincy team) who work tirelessly to nurture and educate our children and care very deeply for them all. They are a fantastic team and I am truly privileged to work with them.

I wish you all a very happy and holy Easter break.

Tracy Lane
Headteacher



YEAR 3 MAYAN DAY

On Tuesday 23rd April, Year 3 are hoping to have Partake Theatre and Historical Study group in school to work with them to bring the history of the Mayan people to life. This supports their history study through drama, using artefacts and other historical sources of evidence. We have worked with partake throughout this year and they have deepened the children's knowledge and understanding of times passed in an exciting and motivating way. School budgets are being increasingly cut and as a result we risk losing events like this so we very much appreciate your support in contributing to funding such days. Contributions are voluntary but if we don't receive enough contributions we may have to cancel the events. Thank you for your ongoing support.

THANK YOU

Pauline Baptist, our new foundation governor and her family have bought school a new lectern. It is really beautiful and will take pride of place permanently in the school hall as the place from where we celebrate & honour the Word of God.



Mrs Baptist is an ex St Patrick's pupil so it is very fitting that she has returned to support the school as a governor.

Preparation for First Holy Communion

There will be another session this Sunday starting with 9.30am mass at Our Lady & St Patrick's Church for all our pupils preparing for their First Holy Communion. Parents are expected to stay throughout to work with your children. Thank you to Mrs Cotter and the other catechists for supporting our young people on this very important journey.

The Mill Residential

Thank you to Mr Slight for planning, organising and supporting our year 4 & 5 trip this week. Thanks also to Mrs Pritchett, Mrs Binje, Mrs Chandley and Mr Cruickshank for giving up their days and night to make this happen for the children. Photos on Twitter showed them having an amazing time despite the weather.

EASTER CHICKS GOING CHEAP

Thank you to the PFA and all the generous parents who have knitted and bought so many of the PFA Easter chicks and bunnies to raise funds for school. They children have loved them and the money will go to supporting children accessing school trips. Many thanks to all involved.

Reading at Home

Please continue to share books with your child at home and listening to them read every night, it only takes 5-10 minutes but make a huge difference to your child's confidence and progress in reading. They need this all through school not just in KS 1; being able to read aloud with expression is a skill in itself.

Thank you for your help.



WEEK	SCHOOL EVENT	ASSEMBLIES/LITURGIES	AFTER SCHOOL 3.20-5pm
25 th Feb	Yr 5 swimming Thursday am	PLEASE NOTE ALL ACTS OF WORSHIP AND ASSEMBLIES ON FRIDAYS WILL TAKE PLACE AT 9AM. MASSES WILL START AT 2PM	FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday Gymnastics Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Cooking Thursday Dance Friday Animation Dodgeball Full Price: £20.00 Per session: £4.00 3.30-5pm
4 th March	Yr 5 swimming Thursday am Monday- yr 5 USA Day Tuesday Pancake Day Lunch Thursday Bedtime Story afternoon, parents welcome to share a book with their children from 2pm. Children to wear pyjamas.	Wednesday 6 th March- Mass for Ash Wednesday & distribution of Ashes by Chaplaincy team 2pm	FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday Zumba Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Arts & Clay Thursday Tennis Friday Yoga Full Price: £20.00 Per session: £4.00 3.30-5pm
11 th March	Yr 5 swimming Thursday am Tuesday St Patrick's Day Parade Workshop 1pm Tuesday Y5/6 Basketball Festival @ Becket School 4 – 5:30 Thursday St Patrick's Day Disco 3.30-5pm Friday Science Investigation Day Saturday 9am Reconciliation Our Lady & St Patrick's Church Sunday 9.30am St Patrick's day Mass	Wednesday 13 th March- Chaplaincy Team & volunteers from Yr 4- Prayer 2.40pm school hall St Patrick's Day Act of Worship led by year 2 & 3 on Thursday at 2.30pm all welcome	FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday Zumba Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Arts & Clay Thursday Tennis Friday Yoga Full Price: £20.00 Per session: £4.00 3.30-5pm
18 th March	Yr 5 swimming Thursday am	House assembly Friday 9.05am	FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday Zumba Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Arts & Clay Thursday Tennis Friday Yoga
25 th March	Yr 5 swimming Thursday am Monday Yr 1 trip to Magna Centre		FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday Zumba Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Arts & Clay Thursday Tennis Friday Yoga
1 st April	Yr 5 swimming Thursday am Y4 Handball Festival @ South Notts Academy 4 – 5:30 Thursday & Friday yr 4 & 5 Trip to the Mill in Mansfield	Monday- FS & Yr 1 Tuesday- Yr 2 Jesus in the Temple Wednesday- Yr 3 the Last Supper & Yr 4 Garden of Gethsemane at 2.30pm All starting at 9.05am in school	FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday Zumba Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Arts & Clay Thursday Tennis Friday Yoga

EASTER HOLIDAY BEGINS FRIDAY 5th APRIL 3.20pm– RETURN TUESDAY 23rd APRIL 2019 8.45pm

Statements to Live By
I know what humility means.

Word of the Week
Sacrifice

THIS WEEK'S MISSION IS...
Do at least one kind thing for someone else every day this week.

The Tiger Who Came to Tea

On Friday 26th April, year 1 children will be having a tiger's tea party to begin their topic inspired by the Judith Kerr book 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'. It's a lovely book about a child's imagination which you may want to share with your child over the Easter break. The children don't need anything for the tea party, school will fund this.

Year 6 SATs

Year 6 SATs will take place during the week beginning 13th May 2019. It is essential your child is in school during this week and on time. We will be putting on a free breakfast club for all year 6 pupils funded by school from Monday- Thursday that week (more information to follow).

The children have worked extremely hard all year and we are now on the final push. They will be given a revision pack to complete over the Easter break. Please support them with this. Your child's results will be passed onto their secondary schools so they can plan ahead for their arrival. We want to be able to pass on results that reflect their true ability.

Oompa Loompa Extravaganza

Monday 29th April, as part of their Mayans and Charlie & the Chocolate Factory topic year 3 will be having a chocolate themed day. Children are invited to bring in a bar of chocolate and there will be face painting amongst other things happening as our children explore the power of chocolate and change into Oompa Loompas!

Astronaut Training Day

To start their Space Race topic, year 5 will be having an astronaut training day on Tuesday 30th April. No cost and nothing needed, just get ready for the day by finding out about the Space Race over the holidays.

Please check our Twitter feed for regular updates on how to keep your children safe online and to see the exciting events taking place in school each week in all classes.



Year 1 Phonics

Screening Meeting

On Friday 26th April Mrs Wood will be holding an information meeting for all year 1 parents at 3.30pm to inform you about the phonics screening that your child will be undertaking in June this year. Please try to attend the meeting it should last no longer than half an hour and will give you an insight into the screening and how you can help your child.

Year 4 Victorian Day

Year 4 will be starting their topic on the Victorians with a Victorian school day on 23rd April. There is no cost for this day as it will be planned and delivered by staff in school. Over the Easter break you may want to get a head start by visiting the library or researching the topic online.

WORD OF THE WEEK

Sacrifice

This week we will be thinking about the sacrifice that Jesus made for us. His death and resurrection are at the heart of our faith and they are the reason that we have our school and our Church today. We are called to make sacrifices too, not necessarily to give our lives, but maybe to give our time, or our love or our compassion. Think about the people who make sacrifices for you and what that means to you. Think about how you can make sacrifices for others this week.

STAFF CAR PARK

Please don't drive into or walk across the staff car park at any time as staff arrive in cars throughout the day and we don't want any accidents. Please use the footpath at all times.

