

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter - Friday 26^h March 2021

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'Happy are those who hear the word of God and keep it' Ruke 11:28



Dear Parent/Carer,

As we reach the end of our Spring term we look forward to our Easter break as a family. This week marked a year since the first lock down and this leads us all to reflect on the enormity of the situation and the impact Covid – 19 has had and continues to have on our lives.

Many of you may have experienced a loss, had personal experiences or know family members who have been affected in many different ways. As we reach the end of Lent and look forward to Easter may we feel hope through the Resurrection of Jesus. As Jesus rose and gave us all hope we too look forward to our future and the return to 'normal' life.

"But the Angel spoke and said to the women 'There is no need for you to be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, he has risen as he said he would." Matthew 28: 5-6

Canon Adrian shares with us this Easter prayer;

Heavenly Father,
As we rejoice at Easter at your Son's victory over death,
may we be enriched with his blessings this Eastertide.
May we experience the peace and love which he offers to us.
We ask this through the same Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Reporting a Positive case in the Easter Holidays

Please see the grid below which explain the steps to take if your child develops symptoms.

Date		Action if you CHILD develops Symptoms
Friday 26 th March	Last day in school	Child develops symptoms
		Book and take a test and isolate at home
		PHONE SCHOOL on 01772 729881
		Even before you have a test result
Saturday 27th March	School CLOSED	Child develops symptoms
		Book and take a test and isolate at home
		PHONE SCHOOL on 07375777769
		Even before you have a test result
Sunday 28 th March	School CLOSED	Child develops symptoms
		Book and take a test and isolate at home
		PHONE SCHOOL on 07375777769
		Even before you have a test result
Monday 29 th March	School CLOSED	Child develops symptoms
		Book and take a test and isolate at home
		DO NOT contact school – Parents and careers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace

Lenten Fundraising

A huge thank you for your generosity through this period of Lent and for the contributions you helped us to make towards MIND, a local mental health charity. With our raffle, bunnies, wear green day, Easter bonnet entries and your donations we have raised a remarkable £450.50!!

Once again may I thank you for helping make this great total possible!

Should you still wish to contribute the link can be found on the Lenten Planner on our website and below:-

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/matthew-taylor107

Easter Bonnet Winners

Thank you to everyone for the fantastic entries it was such a tricky job to have to choose just one winner per class!!

Class 1	Maxwell Houlding
Class 2	Edie Robinson
Class 3	Isla Kilshaw
Class 4	Evie Holland- Bass

Bubble Clubs 3.15 – 4.00 p.m.

Bubble Clubs will continue to run when we return after the Easter break W/C 12th April 2021.

Pupils will need a full PE kit to take part.

We ask that once pupils take up a place as numbers are limited they commit to attending every week. If pupils do not attend regularly the place will be offered to a pupil on the waiting list. We thank you for your co-operation.

Big School Adventures

Big School adventures takes place every Thursday from 1.15 -3.15 pm with rigid safety measures in place as previously.

Numbers are strictly limited and places must be pre booked.

Should you require any further information or to book a place please call 01772 729881.

IMPORTANT - Face Coverings

We politely remind all family members that the wearing of face coverings is required at drop off and collection times. This is shared in our schools reopening document (on our website) and forms part of our Risk Assessment.

It is often not possible to pass each other safely on the footpaths etc. and maintain social distancing. This measure is necessary to keep each other safe and keep school open!

If members of your family, support or childcare Bubble drop off/ collect please do pass this important message on.

If you have a medical exception please indicate this to a staff member.

Uniform and PE Kits

As we settle back in to school please help us to look as smart as ever by wearing full school uniform. Hair accessories, bobbles, headbands etc. must be small and in school colours only. Trainers may not be worn as uniform and are only permitted for lunchtimes and/ or outdoor PE sessions.

For outdoor PE lessons pupils may wear Navy Zip up tops and/or jogging bottoms. These should be plain and free from large logos.

Parking - Please use Smiths Arm's Pub carpark

Please could we remind families not to park on the Church grounds. We have had some complaints that families have parked blocking driveways of local residents or in such a manner that makes passing safely very difficult.

We ask that families park on the Smith Arms pub carpark and walk down. Please help us to keep each other safe and be considerate of local residents.

Our local PCSO will be making visits to check on parking safety, your co-operation and understanding is greatly appreciated.

Celebrations Awards

	Achievement Award Winner	'EAT' Award Winner
		Explore, Active, think creatively
Class 1	Isla Pennington	Bailey Jenkin
Class 2	Harry Bass	Joe O'Donnell
Class 3	Finnley Foxall-Holmes	Jonah Maduka
Class 4	Sebastian King	Charlie Whitehead

At St. Mary's School we

"Live our lives as Jesus taught us,

Work hard together to achieve our best,

Respect each other and the world around us,

Have fun and enjoy learning!"

