



# St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School Newsletter Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018

## *Little Flowers Growing and Giving Glory to God*

Welcome back to school for the very cold start to the second half of the Spring Term, including last Friday's closure of all Birmingham schools.

### **Stranger Danger/Road Safety workshop**

Last Wednesday morning, Nurse Ruth Lowe led the Reception class on a Stranger Danger/Road Safety session. To add to the realism of the session the children had model street signs, a pedestrian crossing, traffic lights and were on the bikes to play the part of traffic; thankfully this all took place in the school hall.

### **Parents' Evening Appointments**

From last Wednesday you should have received the appointment time(s) from the requests for a Parents' Evening appointment that were returned to school. The Parents' Evenings will be on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Please contact school if you require another copy of the letter, but please be aware that choices in appointment times are now limited.

### **Wednesday Word**



The Wednesday Word sheet was given to the Junior children last week. Please do make time to consider the theme of 'Enthusiasm from last weekend's gospel.

### **World Book Day and St. David's Day**

The children and staff looked fabulous dressed as characters from books for World Book Day which we celebrated in school last Thursday. There were several events in school including World Book Day Quiz for Years 5 and 6.

A number of children and staff went for the red or yellow option, in recognition of St. David's Day. The money raised will be used to replace as many Infant reading books as possible; any further donations are welcome.

### **Prayers in the Hall**

All children, parents and members of the school and parish community are welcome to join us for a few minutes on Friday afternoon at 3.00 p.m. each week during Lent for Prayers in the Hall.

### **Year 4 at King Edward's School**

Today, Year 4 children were to go to the first of four coaching sessions at King Edward's School, Edgbaston but this was cancelled due to the weather. The children will be having Hockey, Netball and Rugby coaching each Monday this half term which will now start next Monday.

### **Residential Visit information**

The parents and carers of the Year 6 children involved are invited to a meeting about the forthcoming Residential visit. The meeting will take place after school next Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 3.30 p.m.

### **School dinners**

The school menu choices are on our school website ([www.stteresa.bham.sch.uk](http://www.stteresa.bham.sch.uk)), click on 'Parents and Carers Information' then click on 'School Dinners' and scroll down the page. This week is Week 2 of the rota.

### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Well done to Reception, Year 4 and Year 5 who were the best attending classes for the last week of last half term. Each of these classes had a 98.7% attendance. Congratulations to the most punctual class for the last week of last half term which was also Year 5, only having two children late all week. In total children were late thirty three times for that week; an improvement on the forty three 'lates' during the previous week

## Good Shepherd Appeal

Below is information about this week's fundraising led by a group of Year 6 children for the Good Shepherd Appeal for Fr. Hudson's Society.

*Beneice, Honey, Shaina, Clevette and Esemme will be participating in a fundraiser. We will be doing 'Knock down tins', Lucky Dips and we will be selling drinks.*

## The Catholic Pupil Profile Virtues

This half term the two Virtues that are to be a focus for us and the other Catholic schools in the archdiocese of Birmingham are to be 'intentional' and 'prophetic'.

**Intentional:** planning our actions and choosing to live how God wants us to.

Every action we make has an impact on other people and the world around us. If we live intentionally, we listen to our conscience and deliberately decide that the actions we take will have a positive impact. We use the earth's resources wisely, think about the choices we make, and care for God's creation.

**Prophetic:** spreading the word of God through how we live our lives.

As we choose to act intentionally and make good decisions, we encourage others to do the same. We set a good example through our words and deeds and inspire other people to act in a positive and wise way. We help people to make the right decisions themselves and think about how God wants them to live their lives.



## Term Dates

Below are the school's term dates for the remainder of this academic year.

The second half of the Spring Term is from Monday 26th February to Thursday 29th March.

Summer Term: (Monday 16th April - Teacher Training Day). For children - Tuesday 17th April to Friday 25th May.

Monday 4th June to Friday 20th July.

## Dates for the Diary.

- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March and Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Parents' Evenings
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00 p.m. - Confirmation Mass at St. Teresa's Church. All are invited to attend
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 3.00 p.m. - Prayers in the Hall
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 3.30 p.m. - Meeting for the children on the Year 6 Residential Visit to Aberdovey and their parents/carers
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 9.00 a.m. - Mass at School
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 9.00 a.m. - Year 2 Class Assembly
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 3.00 p.m. - Prayers in the Hall
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Year 6 Residential Visit to Outward Bounds Trust, Aberdovey
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 3.30 p.m. - First Holy Communion Meeting with children and parents/carers

Best wishes,

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