



St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School Newsletter Friday 16th March 2018

Little Flowers Growing and Giving Glory to God

Parents' Evening

The second of the two Parents' Evenings this term was on Tuesday of this week. Thank you to those parents and carers who were able to attend the meetings. Of the 212 children in school the parents/carers of 182 of the children attended appointments for their children; an attendance of 85.8%. I hope that you found the appointment(s) informative and useful.

Bleep Test Results

On Wednesday, Mr Donaghy led the Junior children in completing a bleep test which is a running activity designed to measure an of fitness. The results are:

Year 3: 1st Ryleigh, 2nd Ameria, =3rd Charlie and Carlisle

Year 4: 1st Sam, 2nd Sukhsimran, 3rd Sarvan

Year 5: 1st Luca, =2nd Gabriel and Malakai

Year 6: 1st Kallum, 2nd Beneice, 3rd Mekhi



Thank you to Mr Donaghy for organising this intra-school event. Well done to everybody who participated.

Stranger Danger/Road Safety workshop

On Wednesday morning, Nurse Ruth Lowe led the Year 1 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. Thank you to the parents and carers who were able to attend.

School Mass

Well done Year 3 who led yesterday's Mass. Thank you to Aryan for managing the audio visual system, to Olivia for serving and all who contributed to the Mass.

Year 2 Class Assembly

Thank you to Year 2 for this morning's assembly; a celebration of all things Irish in recognition of tomorrow's St. Patrick's Day.

Rosary Group

At dinner time each day during Lent children are invited to come to the Rosary Group to pray a decade of the Rosary. Thank you also to Kristabella, Naomi, Milen, Jagdeep, Anna, Daniel, Shiloh, Katherine, Aryan and Daejon who led the Rosary group this week.

Good Shepherd Appeal

Thank you to Clevette, Esemme, Beneice, Honey, Shaina who led our Good Shepherd fundraising last week. This group have raised £147.70 for our Lenten charity. Next week, with the vast majority of Year 6 out of school, there will not be Lenten fundraising. It will return for the final week of term.

Confirmation

Last week, a number of Year 5 and Year 6 children and their families were at St. Teresa's Church for our Confirmation Mass led by Bishop Robert Byrne. Ben, Kristabella, Katherine, Shiloh, Olivia, Chad, Esemme, Aleiba, Milen, Harry, Gerrard, Teneve, Anna, Lee, Thinh, Honey, Alicja, Gabriel, William, Kallum, Eva and Daniel will be presented with their Confirmation certificates at the end of the mass in school on Monday 26th March.

Top Table

Children are chosen from a year group each week to eat at the Top Table for a range of positive behaviours or work. The children selected to eat at the Top Table this week are from Year 2. They are Victoria, Sukhjeevan, Tiana, Imani, Oskar and Gianna. These children joined Mrs Higgins for lunch today.

School dinners

The school menu choices are on our school website (www.stteresa.bham.sch.uk), click on 'Parents and Carers Information' then click on 'School Dinners' and scroll down the page. Next week is Week 4 of the rota.

Attendance and Punctuality

Well done to Year 4 who were the best attending class for last week with a 98.7% attendance. Congratulations to the most punctual class for the last week which was Reception, only having one child late all week. In total children were late forty five times last week.

National Young Writers' Award 2018

Today, your child should have received a pamphlet introducing the National Young Writers' Award 2018 organised by Explore Learning and to be judged by David Walliams. Please contact school if you did not receive a copy.

Scholastic Book Order

The closing date for the Scholastic book orders is Thursday 22nd March. Please order online at:

<http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/st-teresas-b20> or alternatively world book day vouchers can be used as part payment against any order placed through the school office.

The Way of the Cross

On Tuesday 27th March all are invited to be part of 'The Way of the Cross'; a time to take a journey mirroring the Passion of Jesus leading up to His Crucifixion. This event will start at 7.00 p.m. at the gazebo by the Infant playground (weather permitting) and will last approximately 45 minutes. Year 6 children will be leading this event and a letter with further information was given to the Year 6 children earlier this week.

Eggs and Bonnets

On Wednesday 28th March at 2.30 p.m. we will be having our 'Eggs and Bonnets' event. That morning the Infant children are to bring in bonnets that they are to design and make at home and the Juniors are to bring in their themed egg designs which they are to make at home. Juniors are to bring their designs to the school entrance hall as they come to school before going to the playground on that Wednesday morning. This year there will not be large Easter eggs prizes. At 3.00 p.m. that afternoon, weather permitting, the Infant children will parade around the playgrounds in their bonnets. Parents are invited onto the Infant playground at 3.00 p.m. on that day to see the parade.

Dinner money

After the Easter holiday, from Tuesday 17th April, school meals will increase by 5p from £2.25 to £2.30 per day for Junior children. Today, letter with further details has been sent out to the parents and carers of the Junior children.

Mrs Baker

Goodbye to Mrs Baker who finishes working with Year 3 today after being with the class for most of this term. We wish her good luck as she continues with her career.

Mr Donaghy

Mr Donaghy will be leaving St. Teresa's School at the end of this term. He is going to another part of the world for a new adventure. Good luck Mr Donaghy you will be missed.

Dates for the Diary.

- Monday 19th March to Friday 23rd March - Year 6 Residential Visit to Outward Bounds Trust, Aberdovey.
- Thursday 22nd March - The closing date for the Scholastic book orders.
- Thursday 22nd March at 3.30 p.m. - First Holy Communion Meeting with children and parents/carers.
- Friday 23rd March at 9.00 a.m. - Congratulations Assembly.
- Friday 23rd March at 3.00 p.m. - Prayers in the Hall.
- Monday 26th March at 9.00 a.m. - Mass at School. Followed by presentation of Confirmation certificates.
- Tuesday 27th March at 7.00 p.m. - 'Way of the Cross' at school. A reflection on the events of Holy Week led by children in Year 6. All are welcome.
- Wednesday 28th March from 9.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. - School Nurse to lead a Stranger Danger/Road Safety workshop for Year 2 class parents and carers with their Year 2 children.
- Wednesday 28th March at 2.30 p.m. - Easter Eggs and Bonnets in school hall. 3.00 p.m. - Infant children's Bonnet Parade in playgrounds.
- Thursday 29th March at 3.20 p.m. - End of the Spring Term
- Tuesday 17th April - Children return to school for the start of the Summer Term.

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