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Newsletter – 9th February 2018

We are rapidly heading towards the end of this half term and once again our school has been filled with learning and experiences. We will be marking Ash Wednesday next week with our Key Stage 2 children going to mass at Church and we would welcome parents/carers who are able to come and join us for mass. Our Reception and Key Stage 1 children will be holding prayer services in their classrooms. This signals the start of the season of Lent which is a key season for us as Catholics and there is some information later in the newsletter on how we plan to fundraise this year. You should have received a letter and an information pack on Thursday about our sponsored read which I hope everyone will be able to support and this evening you should have received a letter about our upcoming parents evening and how you can signal which day you would like to attend.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Suzie Wilson - Head Teacher

Diary Dates

Key Dates

13 & 14.2.18 – Life Caravan Visiting School
14.2.18 – Ash Wednesday Mass Y3 – Y6 at Our Lady's Church
16.2.18 – 9.15am – Y3 Class Assembly – Parents/Carers Welcome
16.2.18 - 3.30pm School Closes for Half Term
26.2.18 – 9.00am – School Re-opens for Pupils
28.2.18 – Y4 Class Trip to the Think Tank
28.2.18 – Parents Evening
1.3.18 – World Book Day
2.3.18 – Celebration Assembly for Parents/Carers

3.3.18 – 10am First Reconciliation at Church for our First Holy Communion Children

7.3.18 – Parents Evening

12.3.18 - School Photographs

23.3.18 – 9.15am Y6 Class Assembly
Parents/Carers Welcome

Mass Dates

14.2.18 – 10am Mass Y2 – Y6

28.2.18 – 10am Mass Y2 & Y5

14.3.18 – 10am Mass Y1 & Y4

29.3.18 – 2pm Mass Y2 – Y6

Parents Evening

Wednesday February 28th 3.30pm – 5.30pm
and Wednesday March 7th 5pm – 7pm – further details will nearer the dates.

Parents Forum

I would like to extend a huge thank you to those parents/carers who came along to our first parents forum last week. I found it incredibly useful in terms of areas to develop and ways in which we can move forwards as a school in partnership with our families. Further information on what was discussed will be sent out next week along with a chance for people to nominate agenda items for our summer term parents forum.

World Book Day

Apologies – we had somehow missed World Book Day from our key dates so far. We will be celebrating World Book Day here in school with lots of activities and we would like to invite children to dress up as their favourite book character for the day. There will be no donation necessary for this but I would ask you ensure that the children focus on book characters rather than film or TV.

Attendance

Our attendance target is 96%

Reception – 91.2%

Yr1 – 98%

Yr2 – 98.7%

Yr3 – 96.6%

Yr4 – 96.5%

Yr5 – 95.9%

Yr6 – 96%

Whole school – 96.4%

Whole school since September – 95.4%



Sponsored Read



We are working alongside Usborne Books at the moment in school to try and ensure our new library will be filled with wonderful books. On Thursday your child should have come home with a letter and an information pack on our upcoming sponsored read which we are very excited about.



Fiona Henshaw is our Usborne Books representative and she is working hard with us here at school to allow us to access as many free books and opportunities to improve reading as we can. Fiona's page can be found here -

<http://org.usbornebooksathome.co.uk/TherReadingChair/>

Y2 Indian Afternoon

On Wednesday our Year 2 class opened the doors and welcomed in parents/carers to share in their learning as they are coming to the end of their latest topic on India. Our school hall was transformed into an Indian restaurant for the afternoon and the children spent the afternoon serving up delicious treats and dishes to their families and Mrs Ridges, Mrs Friend and Mrs Nagi were so proud of how mature and well-behaved the children were and would also like to extend a huge thank you to all those family members who came in to support the children. We hope you all had a fabulous afternoon.



Lenten Fundraising

We head into the very important season of Lent next week and we will be taking KS2 to church for mass on Ash Wednesday to mark this. One of the key principles of Lent, for us as Catholics, is almsgiving or charitable giving. This time of the year we really try to focus on the needs of others rather than ourselves and as such we will have a school focus on charitable fundraising for CAFOD. This year we have decided to try and encourage the entrepreneurial skills of our children by giving each class £10 and asking them to come up with their own ways to 'grow' this money through fundraising during Lent. Further information on how each class is fundraising will follow shortly.



**We all have two hands –
one to help ourselves and
one to help others.**