



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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with Christ at its centre"*

Lent Term 1 –10/1/19

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Happy New Year to you all, I hope you all had a wonderful Christmastime and are set for the exciting term ahead. Yesterday our Year 6 children had the opportunity of visiting the Houses of Parliament. What an experience for them. The children actually were there listening as the speaker addressed the house. An historical moment which was on the news all evening and our children saw it! Thank you to Mrs Blincow for organising this and to the staff that supported this visit. Today we welcomed Miss Rushton a student teacher working with Oak class during this term. At the end of this term we will be also welcoming back Mrs Morgan who is nearing the end of her maternity leave. Mrs Morgan has already been in keeping in touch with staff meetings and is really looking forward to working with the children and team again. Please do look closely at the dates lots of exciting events are being planned.

Have a good weekend

Mrs K. Yuen

Important Dates to note...

10th January- Reception Class medical checks (NHS forms sent re. this)
11th January – School Mass in church 9.30am (all are most welcome)
16th January – PTFA Meeting at 2.30pm in school (all parents welcome)
3-4pm Parents' Book Look
18th January – PTFA Movie night 6.30pm
23rd January – Young Voices Concert (Years 4-6)
30th January - Music concert times tbc
31st January – Sports Leader Training at Chenderit – Year 5 pupils
8th February- PTFA Children's Disco 6.30-8.30pm
12th February – "Play it safe HS2 Workshop" – Years 5-6
Half Term – 18th February- 24th February
27th February – Lunt Fort Visit + Rugby Museum Visit – Oak Class
28th February – KS1 Dance + Gym Festival tbc
6th March – Ash Wednesday Mass in Church 9.30am
13th / 14th March- parent Consultations
18th March – Atomic Tom assembly +

Reception 2019 Places

The admission deadline for making an application for a Reception place is imminent- **15th January 2019**. Parents are able to make a Reception application online through the Local Authority website – admissions. Please note late applications after this date, will not get processed in the first round of offers.

PTFA News

Please note the forthcoming events:

Friday 18th January – Movie and Munchies Night 6.30pm for a 6.45pm start (Incredibles 2) to include popcorn, hotdog and drink. **£4 a ticket**

Friday 8th February - Disco 6.30-8.30pm **£2 a ticket** includes crisps and drink

Tickets will need to be purchased in advance, through the school office. Please send money in a labelled envelope so these can be processed.

After School Club Bookings

Please note for your child to attend a club we need to have a booking form and payment in advance termly. Each club has a capacity and priority is given to those with completed forms and payment. If we haven't received a booking we cannot assume you would like a place.

Tax Free Child care For those wishing to use our care service in Rising Stars you may now able to receive extra help towards costs via www.gov.uk/get-tax-free-childcare. Please note this can only be used for Rising Stars and not substituted for extra -curricular clubs.

Collective Worship – From Friday 18th January

We come together as a whole school to celebrate achievements and Birthdays during our Collective Worship on Fridays. From 18th January we are also inviting parents to join us. Collective worship is at 9- 9.30am, please feel free to join us as we gather as a community in prayer.

If your child has achieved something outside of school that they would like to share, we would always encourage them to bring it in, so we can share the good news.

Please can we ask that in the interests of safety, pushchairs are not brought into the hall at this time and that photographs are not taken.

Value Focus for January- commitment and perseverance



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STILL
TRYING
YOU HAVE
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FAILED.**

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