



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

*"a place of educational excellence
with Christ at its centre"*

Lenten Term 1

Head teacher: Mrs L. Concannon

Message from the Headteacher ...

Dear Parents,

The Year 5 Sports leaders had a great day yesterday preparing for the Year 1 and 2 Sporting fixture next week. Mr Causebrook will be taking his team on Thursday for a morning of student led sporting events at BGN. The children will return to school for a late lunch, Mrs King has arranged for the hot dinner orders on this day to be changed to packed lunches for Years 1-2.

The staff are busy preparing for the next maths reasoning morning. Mr Causebrook has selected a well-being theme, 'Mathematical Habits of Mind' In their paper, Habits of Mind: An Organizing Principle for Mathematics Curricula, researchers Cuoco, Goldenberg and Mark call for mathematics curricula to have ways of thinking about mathematics at their core, rather than specific mathematical results. With this in mind, we believe that children learn better when they are curious, resourceful, resilient and collaborative. We look forward to sharing the Maths reports with you soon.

I will be taking the Year 6 Girls out this half term to talk about body changes and puberty. The boys talk will follow next term. As a school we use the Journey in love resources which can be found on our school website. I will follow this session up with a more in depth talk in the summer. Please email head@ if you have any further questions.

Kind regards,
Laura Concannon

Important dates to note...

Dates for the Diary:

- **Wednesday 18th January- Maths reasoning morning. Music day at Chenderit for invited players.**
- **Thursday 19th January- Young Sports Leaders Event day with Year 1 and 2.**
- **Friday 20th January- First Confirmation session in church at 1:15pm.**
- **Tuesday 24th January- Confirmation classes with Mrs Smith at 2pm every Tuesday.**
- **Tuesday 24th January- KS2 Exposition of the blessed Sacrament 11am.**
- **Friday 27th January- Movies and Munchies Night 6:30pm-8pm.**
- **Wednesday 8th February- KS2 Exposition of the blessed Sacrament 11am.**
- **Friday 10th February: School breaks up for the half term break at the end of the day.**
- **Monday 20th February: School reopens. Fair Trade Week**
- **Monday 27th February: Science Week**
- **Friday 10th March: School Disco**

Confirmation Update

Bishop David and Nymo invite all the Confirmandi to come together to take part in a number of different activities and to celebrate Mass on Saturday 29th April 2023. Please complete the form given out in the introduction evening and make payment on Parent Pay by Monday 17th January as a group booking needs to be made.



Writing Competition

Linked with our school Eco-council Mrs Vale shared the details of a new exciting writing competition. The children have all been given a poetry writing template. Please return this to school as explained in the letter.

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Writing Challenge

- **Year 6 SATS letter in school bag today!**
- **12 have signed up for the Engineering club, we need 3 more. Please book on Parent Pay! The club will run for five weeks from Thursday 23rd January.**

The St Mary's Reading Challenge!

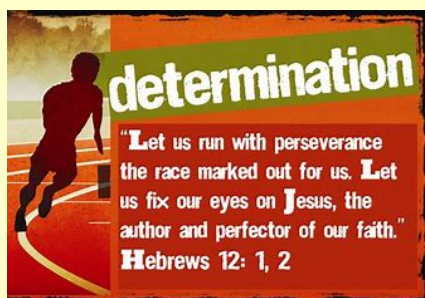
Every time the children read at home we would like them to tick or color a box in their reading passport starting in the first section the 'Tom Fletcher' award. Once the children have read to the first milestone which is 50 they will receive a special certificate, they will move on the world challenge display in the hall, receive housepoints and be given a special token. The token is posted into the display box and at the end of the academic year the house with the most tokens will be treated to a house trip!

Challenge Passport

The Tom Fletcher Award									
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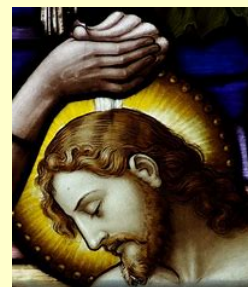


Value focus : Commitment and Perseverance



The Baptism of our Lord.

This week in our school Gospel assembly we celebrated the Baptism of the Lord. We talked about the promises that are made at Baptism and linked this to the promises our Confirmation class are now preparing to make. Congratulations to Max, Chiara and Arthur who were all celebrated on St Stephens day within their parishes for their dedication to alter service.



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