



# School Newsletter



## Spring 2

### Dates for your diary...

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** - Confirmation Induction  
Mass 12:30pm Sacred Heart Church ALW.

Easter celebration week:

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** - Easter celebration  
assembly/m Science Week

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March** - Easter Service in Church  
2pm Start. Easter Gardens gallery in school  
from 2:25pm (Foundation and Key Stage One).

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March** - Rock Steady  
Performance, Pop up coffee shop from 8:30am

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March** - Egg Hunt day and Easter  
Raffle draw at 10:30am.



#### Who are the Mini Vinnies?

Mini Vinnies follow in the footsteps of Christ and St Vincent de Paul.

The Mini Vinnies are the youngest members of the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), an international Christian voluntary organisation dedicated to tackling poverty in all its forms by providing practical assistance to people in need.

The Mini Vinnies get together in primary schools and parishes across England and Wales to live out their mission of see, think, do, supporting their school community and beyond alongside the SVP. Most Mini Vinnies are between the ages of seven and eleven, but even children as young as five are living out the mission too.

#### Clubs Spring 2

Monday: Football & Cooking. The Cobblers have been confirmed for Monday lunch times- free of charge to our families! They will also be running Mental Health and well being sessions weekly with Year 5 and 6.

Tuesday: Fencing

Wednesday: Arts and Crafts

Thursday: Film Club and SAINTS Rugby after school club

Friday: No club

Mon-Fri: Rising Stars

Book on ParentPay

### Headteacher's Message



Dear Parents,

I hope you all enjoyed World Book day last week. Teachers are now busy planning for Science week, please see the attached timetable for the last week of the half term.

Foundation stage and KS1 have been busy planting in their new planter and preparing their easter gardens for the gallery during the Easter celebration week. I have included further information on the activities during the Easter week on the next page.

We have a number of exciting events for you to get involved in, including the next Rock School performance which will include a 'Pop up' Coffee shop where you will be able to buy a hot drink and pastry before the show starts, from 8:30am. All funds raised go to the Friends of St Marys who have recently just purchased a new sand pit and new Rising Stars furniture ready for the redecoration. Children in Years 4-6 will be able to sign up to the new 'Little Vinnies' group that we have decided to start as part of our commitment during Lent to take on more and help those in need. We are also all looking forward to the VR workshops in April, further details can be found below, this will be free of charge to our families and children (you can opt out).

Kind regards,

Mrs L Concannon

### Value Focus: Humility



### Safeguarding

Lead: Mrs Concannon

Deputy: Mrs Vale

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EASTER FUN

EGG HUNT

## Sport BGN update

Year 5 will be attending an Orienteering event next week. Year 1 and 2 Hot shots Football event is in the last week. Mr Causebrook has sent out letters for each event.

## Ted Hughes the Iron Man

The children in Year 3 and 4 are going to be studying the text 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes and to start the unit the children will be making small 'Iron Man' models. Please can I request that you start collecting small boxes and tubes etc for this activity, we should be starting in the next couple of weeks.



Rock Steady Concert  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March  
9 o'clock

From 8.30, the Friends of St. Mary's will be serving tea/coffee and pastries in the hall whilst you wait for the concert of the term to begin!  
Drink bundles available to pre-order on Parent Pay or buy on the morning



## Easter Celebration Week

During the Easter Celebration week we have a number of exciting activities/events that you can be involved in. On the Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> KS2 will be leading an Easter Service in church from 2pm, this will be followed by a gallery of Easter gardens made by the children in Fishermen and Farmers.

The Easter Rock Steady Performance is on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 9am but you can arrive from 8:30am for a hot drink and a pastry.

On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March we will draw the Easter raffle at 10:30am, the prize is the Staff Easter Hamper. This will then be followed by the whole school Easter egg hunt. The school will provide Vegan alternatives to children with any dietary needs. We of course promote a balanced, healthy diet for children in our care, we are at this time celebrating Easter and New life. If you would rather your child was not part of this activity please let the school know.

I am also aware that some would rather the school did not include a biscuit in the packed lunch (Nancys) if it contains confectionary, we have requested that this biscuit be a plain biscuit which is line with the recommendation from the DFE. You of course do have the option to not order this item should you choose to.

## Giant Journeys

Giant Journeys will be visiting the school after the Easter break for an exciting day of VR workshops from Years R-6. The school endeavors to make our learning as exciting and enriching as possible, we do however understand that some parents would rather children not be part of these sessions due to the use of screen based technology, if this is the case then please contact me via Head@ to opt out.

An example of one of the workshops: Human Body Journey Step inside the wonders of the human body with our immersive workshop, specially designed for primary school children. This exciting experience captivates young minds as pupils explore the marvels of how the body works using Virtual and Augmented Reality. From the beating of the heart to the brilliance of the brain, children embark on a spectacular scientific adventure that brings learning to life. Ready to explore the human body from the inside out? This hands-on journey combines technology, discovery and practical learning in a way pupils will never forget.

<https://www.giantjourneys.co.uk/>

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