

Note from the Head

The end of the first half of Spring Term is here and I cannot believe we are half way through the academic year already - time has flown! It was lovely to see so many of the children dressed to impress at our first Valentines Disco. There were many creative dance moves and it was lovely to see children of all ages mixing, dancing and playing traditional party games. I hope you all have a wonderful and relaxing half term week. Thank you as always for all of your support.

Robinwood meeting

On Tuesday 24th February there will be a meeting in Class 4 for the parents of the children who are booked on the Robinwood Residential trip. If you cannot make the meeting please don't worry as all of the information will be sent home to you via a letter the day after.

Edge Hill students

We are very happy to welcome two trainee teachers this week into the school. Miss Buckmaster (class 1) and Miss Maw (class 3), are both in their final year as trainees and will be taking responsibility for teaching some of the curriculum during their placement with us.

Class 3 Swimming

As part of their PE entitlement, on Monday 2nd March Class 3 will begin their Swimming lessons. These will run to the end of the school year. Children will need to bring their swimsuits, towels and a swim hat. Earrings are not allowed to be worn. Permission slips have been sent out this week, please return them asap.

Bikeability

Year 5 have the opportunity to take part in their Cycling Proficiency lessons during week beginning 23rd March. If children wish to take part, they need a bicycle with working brakes and a cycling helmet. On that note, there are many children (from all year groups) cycling to and from school and it is essential that they wear a cycling helmet to ensure their safety whilst out at these busy times.

Nursery

As you will be aware Sunbeams Nursery has operated in school in for 13 years. The school are now consulting to run our own nursery. The benefits of bringing the Nursery under the St John's leadership and management is that we will be able to provides a seamless, high-quality early education experience that bridges home and primary education, significantly easing the transition to Reception.

We will be able to align both curriculum and pedagogy for the very youngest of our pupils and have shared expectations and staff expertise between nursery and reception to ensure a consistent, high-quality learning approach, particularly in literacy and numeracy. A letter has been sent out this week to explain the process and we invite any feedback you may have.

Friday 13th February



Mass times

Mon 8:30, Wed 9am, Fri 10am

Sunday 09.00 am Saturday 06.30 pm

15/02/26 6th Sunday in Ordinary time

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:17-37

The readings for this week remind us to follow God's commandments with our whole hearts. The first reading tells us that we must choose between good and evil. God lets us decide, but our choices have consequences. The second reading teaches that God's wisdom is greater than human wisdom. The gospel shows Jesus explaining the law. He does not remove it but calls us to live it fully. It is not enough to follow rules on the outside. We must also have love and goodness in our hearts.

Approaching the Gospel with children

Jesus tells us that we must try hard not to get angry with our sisters and brothers or call them names. If we do argue with them we must try to make it up with them and become friends again as soon as possible.

We believe that we are all part of God's family. This is one big global family that includes all people wherever they are in the world. We believe that all people are our sisters and brothers and God asks us to try to treat them as we want to be treated.

Sometimes people spend too much time thinking about the differences between us, rather than seeing that we are all part of the same global family. This can lead to arguments and problems. In some cases it can lead to war or fighting between countries which means that people get hurt and have to leave their homes.

We are all different but we all have our own special gifts. We can use our special gifts to work together to make the world a fairer and better place for everyone rather than fighting with people who are different.

This week, can you try not to argue with or hurt anyone? How will you try to make peace with others this week?

Class Mass.

Children will attend 9 am mass on alternate Wednesdays with their class on the following dates. You are very welcome to come along and join us.

Class 1: 11/03 **Class 2:** 04/03 **Class 4:** 18/03

Whole school: 25/03

SATs Bootcamp.

To help our Year 6 pupils revise and prepare for their upcoming exams we have subscribed to this online resource. The following children are top of the leader board for their points earned in the SATs Bootcamp challenge!

Zofia, Ava and Sam



Forest School

Each class will attend Forest School on a rota next term

Class 1: 25/02

Class 2: 25/02

Class 3: 03/03

Class 4: 11/03

On these days, children may come to school wearing their own clothes and suitable footwear in case it is wet outside. As we are outdoors it is likely to be muddy so scruffy clothes are the best!



TT Rockstars

These children have the fastest times for answering their times tables!

Year 1: Edwin

Year 2: Harvey, Josh, Luca

Year 3: James

Year 4: Michael O

Year 5: Harvey



Dates for your Diary

Friday 13th February - School closes for half term week

Monday 23rd February - School closed for INSET

Tuesday 24th February - School reopens

Tuesday 24th February - Robinwood Parent meeting

Monday 2nd March - Class 3 Swimming lessons begin

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day

Friday 6th - Sunday 8th March Y5/6 Residential trip

Thursday 12th March - Mothers Day assembly 2:30

Friday 20th March - Easter Bingo

Week beginning 23rd March - Y5 Bikeability

Monday 23rd March Parent Forum 2:30

Tuesday 24th March - Y6 Good Shepherd fundraising

Wednesday 25th March - Parents evening

Thursday 26th March KS1 Easter Bonnet parade @ 2:30

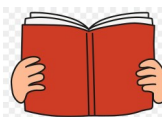
Friday 27th March - School close for Easter at 1:15

Star Reader

Class 1: Kohen

Class 2: Zain

Class 3: Fred



Star Writer

Class 1: Acer

Class 2: Penny B

Class 3: Emilia

Class 4: Abe and Elsie



The following children have been chosen by the Lunchtime Supervisors for wonderful behaviour and can sit at the top table!

Class 1: Rupert

Class 2: Ivy

Class 3: Sky

Class 4: Scarlett M

