

Note from the Head

It was wonderful to see so many amazing costumes on World Book Day! There was certainly a lot of thought and planning that went into activities and the children had a great day celebrating their favourite books and authors. We are taking our oldest pupils on their residential trip to Todmorden this weekend so please keep your fingers crossed for this lovely weather to continue!

High School places

We are delighted to see that all of our Year 6 pupils got their first choice of High School. Exciting times lie ahead!

Parent Forum

The next one is on Monday 23rd March at 2:30 with a focus on Curriculum. We are keen to get your views on: what drives our curriculum, what do we do well at St. John's and how can we improve our curriculum.

Mothers Day assembly

This will be held at 2:30 on Thursday 12th March, you are all welcome to attend.

Dress down day

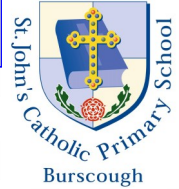
Friday 13th March is dress down day for the Easter Bingo. Children may come to school wearing their own clothes in exchange for an Easter Egg per family.

School Choir - infants

We are part of the school singing programme which is run by the Archdiocese and aims to develop singing skills in school. Our chorister is Libby Morris who has been working with the infant children on Monday afternoons. This term the children have been working on a series of songs to help develop their understanding of the Easter story.

The children will be singing their songs in a mini concert on Monday 23rd March at 2:45 in the hall. You are more than welcome to come along and listen to their performance.

Friday 6th March



Mass times

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

Sunday 09.00 am Saturday 06.30 pm

08/03/26 3rd Sunday of Lent

Gospel Reading: John 4:5-42

The Gospel for this week teaches us that Jesus came for everyone, not just a few people. He knows us and still wants to talk to us. He offers us new life, even if we have made mistakes. Lent is a good time to think about what we are really thirsty for in life. Jesus is the only one who can give us what we truly need.

Approaching the Gospel with children

Jesus is showing us that God loves everyone. No matter who they are, where they come from or the colour of their skin – man or woman, boy or girl, rich or poor.

Even though we are all different, we still need the same things to live. Just like Jesus in the story, we all need water to drink. We need food to eat. A safe place to live, somewhere to learn and someone to look after us when we are sick.

Sometimes people forget that God loves us all and that we are all part of one global family. They only see the differences between themselves and another group of people. This can lead to many problems. It can lead to people being afraid, or not very nice to each other. Which can also mean that there are arguments and fighting.

God calls us to love and care for all people no matter who they are, because we are all part of one global family. We are called to help each other when things are difficult and to work together to make the world a better place for everyone to live in.

So this week let's do what we can to help other people. Let's treat those who are different to us with kindness and respect. Let's share with others and try to live in peace.

What will you do this week to show that you care for others?

Rock Steady concert

On Wednesday 18th March the children who take part in music lessons with Rocksteady will be showcasing their skills in a concert for parents and the whole school at 2pm in the hall

Family Hub—supporting families

The 'One Stop Shop' is back next Thursday 5th March 9am till 12pm at the Skelmersdale Family Hub and The Zone. This is a monthly drop in where families can access support for housing, finance, emotional health and well being as well as employment advice, household living support and food banks.

If you have never been before then please feel free to pop along and see what West Lancs has to offer to children, young people and their families. They have over 20+ agencies who attend each month offering support with everything from bereavement to debt.

There are representatives there from multiple agencies

- CAMHS
- SENDIASS
- West Lancs borough Council
- Citizens Advice Bureau
- Autism Pathway Navigator
- WLBC Housing Options
- CompassBloom
- West Lancs CVS
- Queenscourt Hospice
- Liberty
- Lancashire Talking Therapies
- Victim Support
- Job Centre
- Plus many, many more.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 12th March - Mothers Day assembly 2:30

Friday 13th March - Dress down day for Easter eggs

Wednesday 18th March - Rocksteady concert 2pm

Friday 20th March - Easter Bingo

Week beginning 23rd March - Y5 Bikeability

Monday 23rd March Infant Easter concert 2:45

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

Forest School

Each class will attend Forest School on a rota this term

Class 1: 17/03

Class 2: 17/03

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!



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 4: 18/03

Whole school mass: 25/03



Our value for this half term is - Courage

The following children were awarded certificates by their class teacher for showing courage this week.

Well Done!

Class 1: Thea

Class 2: Thomas and Jacob

Class 3: Thea

Class 4: Isla and Neive



The following children have been chosen by the Lunchtime Supervisors for wonderful behaviour!

Class 1: Thea

Class 2: Perrin

Class 3: Esme

Class 4: Mitzie

