

## Note from the Head

The weeks are flying by as we seem to get busier and busier in school with themed days, school trips and visits. The children are certainly engaged in lots of high quality learning experiences that are widening our curriculum and developing deeper understanding of topics and themes covered.

### Parents Evening

Letters were sent out this week for you to be able to book your parents evening slot for Wednesday 26th March from 2:30 onwards

### Easter Bingo

This event is now available for you to book through the SCOPAY app. The cost is £5 per family which gives one book of tickets, additional books are available to purchase online and on the night.

### Mothers Day assembly

On Thursday 27th March we will celebrate the mothers in our lives with a special assembly at 2:30 in the hall.

### Easter Bonnet Parade

This memorable event returns on Tuesday 1st April at 2:30 in the school hall - you are all welcome to come along and watch the infants take to the stage!

### Good Shepherd Stalls

In the season of Lent we are thinking about how we can do more for others. On Monday 31st March, Class 4 will be running their annual Good Shepherd stalls to raise money for Cafod. The children are using their enterprise skills to plan and manage activities for the whole school to engage in, for example: Treasure Hunt, Guess the sweets in the jar, sweet stall, Beat the goalie, Sponge a Sixer and many more!

There are prizes to be won and this is always a great event that the children love. Children will need to bring money to take part in the activities - stalls will cost 20p or 30p and the event will take place on Monday afternoon.

To support this event we are asking for donations and in particular are looking for:

- Football x 2 for prizes
- Large teddies
- Sweets

If you are able to make a donation for this event it would be much appreciated.

**Friday 21st March**



### Mass times

Sunday 09.00 am      Mon - Fri 09.00 am  
Saturday 06.30 pm

**23/03/25 3rd Sunday of Lent**

***Gospel Reading: Luke 13:1-9***

The readings for this week call for repentance and returning to the Lord. They recount Moses' encounter with God in the burning bush, emphasize God's kindness and mercy in the psalm, and warn about the need to learn from the past in the second reading. The gospel passage includes Jesus' admonition to change our ways and his parable of the fig tree, highlighting God's continuous efforts to help us grow and mature in faith. The themes encompass self-reflection, the meaning of suffering, understanding God's nature, and the sacrament of reconciliation.

### Approaching the Gospel with children

Jesus liked to use stories to explain things that were complicated. The parable today is about a fig tree. The man had been waiting for three years for the tree to give him some fruit. He was disappointed and asked his gardener to cut down the tree. But the gardener asks for one more year to look after the tree – to dig round it and give it some manure to help it grow. Plants and trees need the right conditions to grow and the gardener hopes that by doing this, the tree will grow fruit.

People need the right conditions to live their lives well too. Everyone needs enough food and water to stay healthy and strong. We also need love, shelter, clean air to breathe, peace and much more.

The fig tree in Jesus' story is supposed to share its fruit with the man but it is not doing what it is supposed to. Sometimes we are a bit like the fig tree. We do not share as well as we could.

The fig tree is like us & the gardener is like Jesus. The gardener gives the fig tree another chance and all the things it needs to live. Jesus is always ready to forgive us when we have done something wrong.

What will you do this Lent, to help build a better world?

## Liverpool Cathedral Trip

Mrs Williams and I were so incredibly proud of the Junior department as we took part in a workshop at the Cathedral on Wednesday. The sheer size, architecture and illumination through light and colour is breath taking when you first step inside and the children were stunned into silence! We had two wonderful guides who led us on a tour around the cathedral to learn more about the Chapels, Art Work, Stations of the Cross and construction of the building. It was a truly memorable and rewarding experience as Head teacher to see the children so engaged with the cathedral staff. The new RE curriculum is clearly becoming embedded as the wealth of knowledge the children had impressed all of the Cathedral staff.

Parents, you now have your very own Tour Guides in the form of your children. As the Easter holiday approaches, why not take time out over the Lenten Season to visit the Cathedral? It is free to enter and open every day for visitors. You would be blown away by how much the children know and can enjoy your own min tour. Well Done KS2!



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

Class 1: Lewis Class 2: Lottie

Class 3: Izzy Class 4: Matthew



### 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!

**1st Matthew**

**2nd Christopher Dylan**

**3rd Lucas**



### Our value for this month is - Resilience

The following children were awarded certificates by their class teacher for demonstrating Hope this week.

**Well Done!!**

**EYFS:** Thomas

**Class 2:** Penny G, Harvey, Josh

**Class 3:** Luca and Izzy

**Class 4:** Coby and Jamie



### Dates for your Diary

Weds 26th Mar - Y4 and Y6 Forest School

Weds 26th Mar - Parents Evening

Thurs 27th Mar - Class 3 at Mass

Thurs 27th Mar - Mother's Day assembly 2:30 - all invited

Fri 28th March - Mothers Day gift stall

Mon 31st Mar- Y6 Good Shepherd stalls

Tues 1st April - Easter Bonnet parade 2:30

Wed 2nd April - Easter Bingo 3:30

Thurs 3rd April - Whole school achievement assembly 2:30

Fri 4th April - School close for Easter at 1:15