

Note from the Head

Class 4 had a wonderful trip to Robinwood last weekend and were excellent ambassadors for the school. Staff commented on their excellent behaviour and good manners. What I was particularly impressed with was the grit and resilience shown by the children. For some children it can often be much easier to avoid challenge and remain in our comfort zones. In doing so, we develop a Can't rather than 'Can do' attitude and as a result our resilience becomes diminished.

I was so incredibly proud of the children last weekend who faced their fears and tackled them head on. Robinwood is an outdoor residential and offers activities such as: Giant swing, Trapeze, Climbing wall, Zip wire and many more. The staff and I watched in awe as our pupils not only embraced the challenge, but conquered their own fears in doing so. It was inspiring to see the children dig deep and draw on their strategies, thought processes and ultimately courage to set their own challenges and succeed in them. The skills gained from this experience will impact on the children undoubtedly in the future as they reflect on their fears, mindset and achievements. I could not be prouder—Well done Year 5 and 6.

Celebrating other faiths: Hinduism

What an incredible day we had on Thursday! The children learned about another faith - Hinduism and studied their beliefs and values before learning about their special festivals such as Holi. The two stories that Holi focus on are the story of Prahlad which we celebrated with a forest school fire pit and the legend of Krishna and Radha which was a focal point for our wonderful colour run and creative afternoon. Thank you to Mrs Porter for organising this great learning opportunity for the children.

British Science Week

Wednesday saw the school invaded by a host of mad scientists as each class engaged in live lessons and took part in investigative challenges. In class 1 they looked at the animal kingdom and how camouflage is key for some creatures to survival by looking at how toys animals could be hidden out in the forest. Class 3 took part in a live online lesson on sustainability and Class 4 investigated forces by creating a parachute to carry a precious cargo—an egg! They had to create the most aerodynamic, yet protective carriage for their egg to land safely! In Class 2 the children had fun building their own wormery - a great day to celebrate Science.

Friday 14th March



Mass times

Sunday 09.00 am Mon - Fri 09.00 am
Saturday 06.30 pm

16/03/25 2nd Sunday of Lent

Gospel Reading: Luke 9:28-36

The readings for the 2nd Sunday of Lent highlight the presence of God in our lives. They depict Abram's encounter with God and the covenant made, emphasize the transformational power of God, and narrate Jesus' transfiguration witnessed by Peter, James, and John. The themes revolve around letting God transform us, recognizing God's manifestation in our lives, and letting go of stereotypes.

Approaching the Gospel with children

Jesus goes up a hill with Peter, James and John to pray. While he is praying a great change comes over him. His face was changed and his clothes became sparkling white. Then a voice came from the clouds saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen – listen to him." Jesus is changed. And everything changes for the disciples too. After all they know now that Jesus really is the Son of God. The disciples see Jesus in all his glory.

It can bring us joy when we see someone who is able to be the best they can be. Someone who is not just surviving and meeting their basic needs, but someone who is thriving and is filled with hope for the future.

Through our prayers this Lent we can hope for wonderful changes. We can ask God to help us to act differently, to make the world a fairer place, and to treat others as we would wish to be treated.

In this gospel, God also asks us to listen to his Son, who calls us to love one another. What do you think you can do to show love in the coming week?

What will you do to try and live more as God asks you to? How will you listen and change your life and our world for the better?

Colour Run

What a great event! So far we have raised a whopping £410!! Take a look at our facebook site later today when the photos will be uploaded.

Forest School for Year 4 and Year 6

On Thursday afternoon Year 4 and Year 6 are heading into Forest School for a group session led by Dr Watt and his team of helpers. The children will be engaging in a 'Fungal Inoculation' session which is basically a means of growing our own mushrooms! Technically, the children will use tools to drill holes into logs and into that, will inject fungus with the aim to encourage growth and development. Over time, the children will be able to revisit the site and see the fruits of their labour!

School lunches

On Thursday 20th there is a special lunch time meal focussing on 'Happiness'. The menu is: Hot dog, smiley faces or pasta with ice cream. Please let us know on the day if your child would like this meal - £2.50 per child.

Trim Trail

Our improved and extended Trim Trail is now open for play times! A huge thank you to the School Council for choosing the newest addition. We hope that with continued fundraising we can add to and extend this great play facility.

Fundraising at Tesco

Please continue to support our fundraising by donating the blue tokens at the checkouts in Tesco

Class 1 and Class 2 trip

The EYFS and infant department will be enjoying a trip to Martin Mere on Thursday. If you haven't already done so, could you please make the payment for the trip and book your child's packed lunch if they need one.

KS2 trip

On Wednesday the junior department are taking a trip to the Metropolitan Cathedral and World Museum in Liverpool. This trip is funded by school and is at no cost to yourself. Could you please complete the Microsoft Forms that was emailed out to give us permission to take your child and also to indicate whether you need a school packed lunch.

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SATs Bootcamp.

The following children are top of the leader board for their points earned in the SATs Bootcamp challenge!

1st = Christopher

2nd = Olivia & Penny

3rd = Matthew



Our focus Gospel Value is Hope

The following children were awarded certificates by their class teacher this week. Well Done!!

EYFS: Edwin

Class 2: Esem and Perrin

Class 3: Saoirse and Rose

Class 4: Alfie Bu and Olivia

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

Class 1: Arla

Class 2: Michael

Class 3: Sienna

Class 4: Lily



Dates for your Diary

Weds 19th Mar KS2 Cathedral visit

Thurs 20th Mar - Class 4 at Mass

Thurs 20th Mar - Class 4 at Forest School

Thurs 20th Mar - KS1 trip to Martin Mere

Fri 21st March Dress down day for Easter Egg

Fri 21st March Closing date for Jack Traynor prayer card

Tuesday 25th March—Class 4 at Burscough Methodist for Lenten themed morning

Wed 26th Mar - Class 4 at Forest School

Dates for your Diary

Wed 26th Mar - Parents evening

Thurs 27th Mar - Class 3 at Mass

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

Fri 28th Mar—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