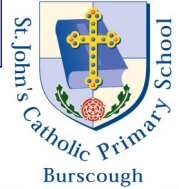


Note from the Head

This week has marked the start of our focussed curriculum days with World Book Day and we have lots more planned over the coming weeks. This weekend will see Year 5 and 6 head off to their weekend residential—we hope the weather stays dry and we will all have a great time!

Friday 7th March



Celebrating other faiths: Hinduism

On Thursday 13th March we will be celebrating the Hindu festival of colour - Holi. There will be lots of activities in class for the children to learn more about this religion and will the day will culminate in a sponsored colour run in the afternoon. Please encourage your child to collect sponsors - all money raised will be invested back into the school funds to provide equipment and resources for the children.

British Science Week

7th - 16th March marks British Science Week. We will be celebrating this with a themed day on Wednesday 12th March. The children will be engaged in lots of science themed activities and workshops and we look forward to celebrating their successes with you next week.

Nut Free School

We are a nut free school. Children who suffer from nut allergies can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. If someone has a nut allergy it is not just eating nuts that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts can trigger anaphylactic shock (which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties).

We cannot have nuts in school in any form.

Can we please can we ask that you have no nut products in the lunch boxes or brought into the school as treats. For example:

Peanut butter sandwiches, Chocolate spreads, Cereal bars, Some granola bars, Cakes that contain nuts, Biscuits that contain nuts

This list is not exhaustive, so please check the packaging of products closely. We appreciate that this is an additional thing to check and we know that you recognise the importance of it.

Mass times

Sunday 09.00 am Mon - Fri 09.00 am
Saturday 06.30 pm

09/03/25 1st Sunday of Lent

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:1-13

The readings for the 1st Sunday of Lent emphasise the importance of wholeheartedly surrendering ourselves to God. Moses instructs offering the best to the Lord, the psalm sings of deliverance, Paul urges following Jesus with both heart and mind, and the gospel portrays Jesus resisting temptation in the desert, trusting in God. The themes encompass giving ourselves to God, preparing for our mission, and facing and overcoming temptation.

Approaching the Gospel with children

Jesus goes out into the desert for 40 days to be alone and to pray. He goes to draw closer to God, to listen to what God is asking him to do and to find strength for his work of spreading the good news.

Lent is a time when we try to be a bit like Jesus in the desert. We spend 40 days trying to come closer to God, so that we are ready for Easter. We try to pray more and share more. We try to think less about ourselves and more about other people – our neighbours at home and around the world.

Key question: How can we try to bring ourselves closer to God during the season of Lent?

We can be closer to God by praying, by asking for forgiveness for all the things that we have done wrong, and by trying to live the kind of life God wants us to. We can share with and care for others who need our help. We can give our money and our time to help make the world a fairer place for us all to live in.

Dog owners

If you are bringing a dog onto the school premises can you please make sure you are not stood or walking near the infant and junior entrances. People with dogs should stand by the perimeter fencing when collecting their child. It can often be very busy around the school entrances and some children are afraid of dogs.

I also request that dogs on school premises are on a lead held by an adult and not a child.

In addition, dogs are not allowed on grassed areas. There are instances recently where dogs have fouled on the grass which makes it unsafe for the children to play on. Thank you for your cooperation.

Mothers Day Gift stall

Letters have gone out and this event is now available for you to book through the SCOPAY app

Playground Improvements

The work to repair and extend the Trim Trail Playground equipment should be completed by Tuesday. Please do not allow your children on or near it whilst the work is being carried out.

Reading Superstars!

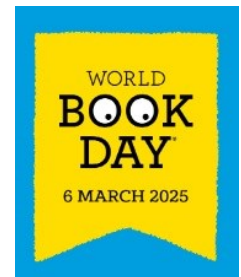
As we celebrate World Book Day, this week our rewards have focussed on children who have impressed us with their commitment to reading.

EYFS: Edwin

Class 2: Quinn and Lottie

Class 3: Sienna and Annabelle

Class 4: Paisley, Lucas and Archie



SATs Bootcamp.

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

1st = Christopher

2nd = Lyla

3rd = Penny



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

Class 1: Thomas **Class 2:** Penny

Class 3: Luke **Class 4:** Jamie



Dates for your Diary

Thurs 13th Mar - Celebrating Holi

Wed 12th Mar - Science Day

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

Wed 26th Mar - Mothers Day gift stall

Dates for your Diary

Wed 26th Mar - Class 4 at Forest School

Wed 26th Mar - Parents evening

Thurs 27th Mar - Class 3 at Mass

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

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