



**ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
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Dear Parents,

Welcome back, I hope you all had a great half term week. We have had a busy week in school with Class 3 starting their swimming lessons and Class 4 having a trip to the Bury Fire Training Centre to learn about how to stay safe in the home. Today, the Junior children have enjoyed a Tennis session delivered by from Mr Chatterley from the Ormskirk Tennis Club – he will be back next Friday to deliver another session to the children.

Class 1 have got off to a great start with their topic on animals, in Class 1 the children are learning all about Dinosaurs, Class 3 have a focus on food technology with their topic Scrumdiddlyumptious and in Class 4 we have a brand new topic all about The Blitz and the impact it locally and nationally. Lots of great opportunities for cross curricular learning are happening and the children have settled back and are working incredibly hard.

Robinwood

On Tuesday 27th February there will be a meeting after school in Class 4 for parents of children going to the Robinwood residential trip. This will give details about the trip and last around 20 minutes

Peace Garden

I am keen to develop the inner outdoor space known as the Quadrangle into an area for quiet and peaceful reflection and to facilitate small groups for collective worship. At the moment this is an area with seating, however, to maximise the use of this space I envisage a shelter or roof over the seating area, improved bedding with a range of flowers that blossom through out the year and wind chimes and other sensory materials. If you have any gardening skills or this is a project you feel you could lend help with then please let Mrs Harrison-Scott or myself know. Thank you!

Mother Day

The last day to order your gifts is Wednesday 28th February. We will NOT be able to accept any orders after this date as the gifts will be bought on this day.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating this day on Thursday 7th March. Children may come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book.

WW2 Resources

Class 4 will be studying a brand new topic in the next half term: The Blitz and all we need to know about World War II. If you have any resources, books or photographs that we may use to enhance our learning in class or that could be used on our display, then please let Miss Smith know.

Attendance for this week

Class 1: 100%

Class 2: 96%

Class 3: 97%

Class 4: 91%

Well done to Class 1 for their perfect attendance!

Dates

The calendar on the school website has been updated and will continue to be updated as events are booked in. You can subscribe to this calendar from our school website and the dates will automatically save into your phone or device.

Wednesday 6 th March	Mother's Day gift stall
Friday 8 th March	Y5 & Y6 residential trip to Robinwood
Friday 15 th March	Dress down day for Easter egg
Wednesday 20 th March	Easter Bingo 3:30 – 4:30
Thursday 21 st March	Year 6 Good Shepherd fundraising
Friday 22 nd March	Star of the Half term assembly 9am
Tuesday 26 th March	Easter bonnet parade @ 2:30
Wednesday 27 th March	Parents Evening 2:30-6:00
Thursday 28 th March	Whole school mass 9am
Thursday 28 th March	Close for Easter at 1:15

Free School meals

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Universal Credit with a household income of less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Income-Based Jobseekers' Allowance
- Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, **not** entitled to Working Tax Credit and household income less than £16,190
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Income Support
- Working Tax Credit 'run on' – the payment you receive for a further four weeks after you finish work

Please follow the link below

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/>

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Smith