



St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

We will prepare the way by loving, living and learning with the Lord



11th March

Newsletter No. 24

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This half term's virtues are:

<i>Faith-Filled</i>		<i>Hopeful</i>
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Dates for your diary - March		
Monday 21 st March	9.30am	Mass (end of term)
Wed 23 rd March	3.15pm	School closes for Easter holidays

Parents' Evening

We were really pleased to see such good attendance at last night's parents' evening. Thank you to so many of you who took the time to give such positive feedback.

Olympic Athlete Visit

This week we welcomed GB Skater Rich Parker to St. John's. He led fitness circuits for every class and an assembly when children had the chance to ask lots of questions. This was a great experience which has hopefully left many of our children with ambitious sporting aspirations. Please could we ask that all sponsor money is returned to school by 18th March.

Lenten Activities

This year our Lenten fundraising activities will be led by each of our house groups. The forthcoming house fundraising ideas are:

St Andrew's - Fri 18th March - Topsy Turvy Day - wear clothes back to front - 50p

St George's - Tues 22nd March - penalty shoot-out - 20p a go

The Importance of Breakfast

We have recently experienced a small number of children who have come to school complaining that they are hungry because they haven't eaten breakfast. Breakfast is a great way to give the body the refueling it needs. Skipping breakfast can make children feel tired, restless, or irritable. In the morning, their bodies need to refuel for the day ahead after going without food for 8 to 12 hours during sleep. Their mood and energy can drop by midmorning if they don't eat at least a small morning meal. Breakfast also can help keep children's weight in check because it kick-starts the body's metabolism, the process by which the body converts the fuel in food to energy. And when the metabolism gets moving, the body starts burning calories. So please could you ensure that your child eats breakfast every day.

St Patrick's Day Themed Lunch

We will be providing a St Patrick's Day themed lunch on Thursday March 17th. All children are welcome to join in even if they don't usually have a school meal. The cost is £2.00 for Key Stage 2 children and free for Reception and Key Stage 1.

RNLI Visit

Years 4, 5 and 6 took part in beach safety workshops on Wednesday. They had great fun and learned not only how to keep safe in the sea but also in local lakes, rivers and canals too.



Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to: Alfie H, Zack D, Harry D, Joseph H,

Attendance

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 2 with 95.3%. Well done!

Ready to Learn Award

Congratulations, our most punctual classes this week were Year 3 and Year 5

Stars of the Week



Congratulations to Amiel A in Year 1 and Ruby McC in Year 4, we're all really proud of you!

This week's Virtues awards were given to Rebecca W, in Year 2 and Taylor Mc/B in Year 5 for showing compassion and love towards others.

Have a lovely weekend

Yours sincerely

I. Gallagher

Mr I. Gallagher
Headteacher

A Lenten Prayer

God of love, you forgive us when we go wrong, and encourage us to try again to be better. Guide us to do what is right and to make this world a fairer place for all who live in it. Amen.

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