



St Mary's News 2022 March Issue 3

"Recognising and celebrating the presence of Christ in one another"

Dear Parents,

Lent – Our Walk for Hunger venture will be taking pace as we lead up to Easter. Thank you in anticipation for sponsor money which is already dripping in to the school gateway. We will also be holding our Easter Stations of the Cross in School. This is always a lovely prayerful service led by our Y5 children. More details to follow next week

Support for Ukraine- Proceeds from all of our Lenten Charities will be shared, also via CAFOD with the DES (Disaster Emergency Committee). This is in direct response to the plight of our Ukrainian neighbours. You are always so generous- we really need that generosity right now.

PTA Donut Day- Tomorrow, those children whose parents have paid £1 on the school gateway, will receive a Krispy Kreme Donut to take home with them. Thanks as always, to our PTA for their fundraising and little treats for the children in school. It is appreciated.

Parents' Voice - Please look out for a google form which will be sent out to all parents asking for your thoughts. We are very interested to hear how our changes to the Website and Curriculum pages has supported you; how the class page, relevant workshops, twitter and videos keep you informed and smiling, in our busy 21 st century and any other suggestions you make.

Uniform- Thank you again- uniform, largely speaking, is really well adhered to. It is required at secondary school, so children need to practise now, in readiness for that.

Y4 Times tables- Parents, your commitment to helping your children learn these very important basic skills is tangible. Y4 are determined, driven, focused and proud. We are losing the tears, in almost all cases, and there is now a healthy determination to better themselves. That is teamwork at its best and increasingly good motivation to be the best they can be. Thank you.

Nursery places. Please check with your friends and local community that they have applied for their place in Nursery, for September 2022, as places have now been offered and will quickly fill up over time. Congratulations to those who have been offered a place - we look forward to welcoming your little people as the new academic year unfolds. Applications and details are available via the office staff, Mrs Joyce and Mrs Ward.

Parents' Consultations- The Gateway will open on Monday 28th March in the afternoon for parents to sign up for Parents Consultations, on Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th April, after the Easter break.

Upcoming events:

Friday 1/4/22- Y3 Sacrament of Reconciliation – Parents to arrive for **1.30pm** in school. **We look forward to seeing you there.**

Friday 8/4/22- School closes for the Easter break- all children need to be collected from school at 1.30pm on this day.

Wednesday 27/4/22 and Thursday 28/4/22 Parents' Consultations in school between 4pm and 7pm each evening.

Wednesday 4/5/22 Swimming starts for Y4 today 1.30 – 3.30pm. The children will be late back each Wednesday afternoon to facilitate this (Letter to follow)

Monday 25/4/22- Y3 Parents' Holy Communion Meeting 6pm in school

Saturday 14/5/22 Y3 Sacrament of Holy Communion 11am and 1pm

Happy St Patrick's Day

It was lovely to see a few green ribbons, earrings, badges and even a little feast day eye shadow in school today, to celebrate St Patrick's Day. Wishing all of you a lovely feast day, this evening.

And Finally...

We continue to remember in our prayers, the people of Ukraine and world leaders, at this time of great unrest. Please remember to talk openly and positively to your children about their safety, and encourage them to behave proactively through prayer and fundraising.