



Recognising and celebrating the presence of Christ in one another.

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Weekly News

Dear Parents,

In this week's Gospel, Jesus tells the Parable of the fig tree. A man was angry and disappointed that his fig tree had not given him fruit. He asked his gardener to cut down the tree. The gardener asked for one more year to look after and treat the tree in the hope that it would bear fruit. Just as the gardener gave the tree another chance and provided the things it needed to live, Jesus is always ready to forgive us and shows us how to live our lives.

We are continuing our journey through Lent in school and thinking about our key words 'give, act, pray' and how we can put them into action as part of our preparation. Thank you to everyone for supporting the initiatives led by the Mini Vinnies in order to help both our local and global families. This week we were overwhelmed with the number of treat food items you have donated for the local food bank - thank you! Next Friday, the Mini Vinnies are asking if you can kindly donate cleaning products and the Friday after that we will be asking for Easter eggs. Please do not feel you have to give every week, but donate what you can. Your generosity is always appreciated.

Thank you to Y6 parents who attended our Jubilee prayer service on Wednesday. We hope that you enjoyed praying with your child and reflecting on how we can be 'Pilgrims of Hope' through our actions. We are so pleased that so many of you could attend.

Well done to the children involved in the football tournament at Streetly on Tuesday. They won one and drew three and came third overall. Fantastic work from them and they represented school so well. Thank you to Mrs Smith and Mr Connolly for enabling this to go ahead.

Thank you to our hard working and dedicated PTA who prepared the Mother's Day gift shop today. We hope all moms, grandparents, aunts, sisters and friends enjoy their beautiful gifts!

The children lovingly selected their own gifts from the shop. The PTA have expressed that the children all put such thought and care into the presents they were choosing for a special person in their lives - their manners were impeccable and they were a credit to you.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Hill

Award Winners

During our Congratulations Assembly this morning, individual certificates have been distributed for children who have been demonstrating brilliant skills and author techniques throughout their writing, showing determination in maths and PE lessons and being kind and helpful towards others.

Our Class of the Week Awards were presented to Y3 and Y4 for their kind, safe and responsible behaviours with full engagement in their work and activities.

Our Lunchtime Award winners are Y5 for improved manners and trying to be calmer and quieter in the lunch hall.

Our Attendance Award goes to YR with 99.3%

Catholic Social Teachings

One of our focus Catholic Social Teachings this term is SOLIDARITY.

Here is the story of Shristi the Sun Bear.

Shristi is one of the biggest animals in her neck of the woods. However, she also has the kindest heart.

A fire destroyed part of her forest and many animals lost their homes and were injured and couldn't live like they used to. Shristi was the first to visit them and shared time with them, learning what it was like to lose your home.

After becoming friends, she made sure that they found new homes and were happy with their new lives. Her actions inspired lots of other animals to follow.

We learn from Shristi's story that we must recognise others as our brothers and sisters and actively work for their good.





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Notices

- Holy Week Assemblies: Different year groups will be leading assemblies to talk us through the events of Holy Week. These will take place on the following dates. Parents are welcome to attend. They all start at 9:10am.
- [Palm Sunday Prayer Service led by Y1 and Y2 Monday 7th April](#)
- [Last Supper Prayer Service led by Y3 and Y4 Tuesday 8th April](#)
- [Agony in the Garden Prayer Service led by Y6 Wednesday 9th April](#)
- [Stations of the Cross Prayer Service led by Y5 Thursday 10th April](#)
- Our School Council are still looking for donations of sports equipment or colouring equipment. Please let the school office know if you have any items. Thank you.
- Please see the attachments for things to do over Easter.
- A reminder that as it gets warmer, the summer uniform can be worn from April. Please see our school website - useful information tab - uniform page for full information.
- If your child has grown out of their red PE jumper and they are still in good condition, please could you donate them to us at school. Please drop them into the school office.

Events

Tuesday 1st April - Science Extravaganza (please see separate letter)

Tuesday 1st April 2:45pm Y4 Prayer service (parents welcome)

Thursday 3rd April 2:45pm Y2 Prayer service (parents welcome)

Friday 4th April 1:45pm Y3 Sacrament of Reconciliation (parents welcome)

Week beginning 7th April: Holy Week Assemblies

Friday 11th April 9:15am Mass in school - all welcome

Term ends on Friday 11th April 1:30pm

Summer term starts on Monday 28th April

Reflection and Prayer

This Sunday is the Fourth Sunday of Lent.

Jesus told the story of the Prodigal Son to show that when we forgive and are forgiven, we are filled with great joy and peace.



Yours sincerely,
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Headteacher