



Recognising and celebrating the presence of Christ in one another.

Newsletter No. 24: Friday 24th March 2023

Weekly News

Dear Parents,

Well done to Y3 who made their First Confessions this afternoon. They were reverent and sensible in their approach and we are really pleased with how well you are supporting each other and preparing for these very important Sacraments. *Recognising and celebrating the presence of Christ in one another.*

Thank you to our wonderful PTA who prepared the Mother's Day gift shop last Friday. We hope all moms, grandparents, aunties, sisters and friends enjoyed their beautiful gifts!

The children picked their own gifts from the shop ranging from afternoon tea boxes, plants, pamper gifts, teddies and more, then added the final touches with the tissue paper. 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. All children were involved and the event made a profit of £268 to go towards the school playground refurbishment.

Well done to our Nursery Class who enjoyed an exciting trip to Wonderland, Telford yesterday. It looked like you had a great time and Mrs Steele said your behaviour was excellent - well done!

Well done to the children who took part in the football tournament on Tuesday and thank you to Mr Sutton for organising and ensuring this could go ahead. The girls won three games and played brilliantly! We also heard the fantastic news that both the boys and girls team made the Walsall finals! What an achievement.

In other good news, our peer mentors led a celebration assembly this morning, sharing and thanking God for all of our gifts and talents. Children in each year group were awarded for excellent effort with their behaviour, independent skills and building resilience. We are so proud of you!

As part of our RSHE curriculum, the children have been learning about simple self-care techniques, including the importance of rest and the importance of sufficient, good quality sleep for optimum health. The children have learnt that a lack of sleep can affect weight, mood and ability to learn. Some children expressed that their late bedtime means that they find it difficult to concentrate so this is something worth talking to your child about. There are some sleep tips from www.elsa-support.co.uk attached.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,
Mrs Hill

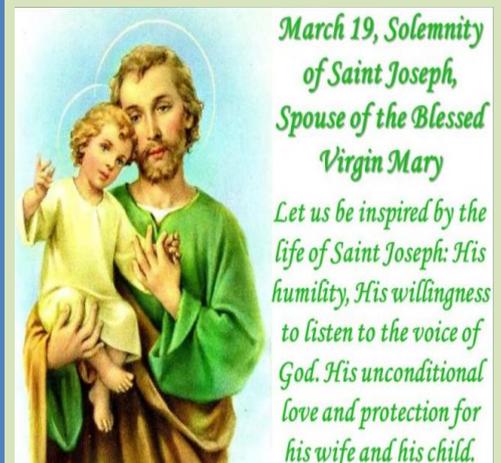
Lent

We are looking forward to our Spring Fayre on Thursday. This will take place in school during the morning. It is an exciting way that the children have come up with to raise money for our Lenten charities. Please make donations via the Gateway. Thank you also for all sponsorships received so far for our Lenten walks!



Feast Days

This week, we celebrated the feast day of St Joseph.





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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:

[Palm Sunday Prayer Service led by Y2 Monday 27th March 9:00am](#)

[Last Supper Prayer Service led by Y3 and Y4 Tuesday 28th March 9:00am](#)

[Agony in the Garden Prayer Service led by Y6 Wednesday 29th March 9:00am](#)

[Stations of the Cross Prayer Service led by Y5 Thursday 30th March 9:00am](#)

A reminder that if children's hair is of a length where it can be tied back, then it should be tied back for hygiene reasons.

A reminder that the majority of social media apps have a minimum age rating of thirteen. There has been some media coverage around some concerning posts regarding self-harm on various apps. Please supervise and monitor your child's internet and app use. Further information can be found here. You can also contact school with any worries or concerns:

[Parents and carers | CEOP Education \(thinkuknow.co.uk\)](#)

Mrs Hayes is arranging some parent workshops led by the school nurse. The first of these is around the topic of 'fussy eaters'. This is something that some parents have asked for support with and we think will be very useful. Please see the letter attached.

Hopefully, you have had chance to read the letter sent on Wednesday regarding chicken pox. We have had a further case in Y2 and Y4.

Events

Y1 Visit to Blists Hill - this will be rearranged

Thursday 30th March 7pm Y6 Confirmation Mass

Thursday 30th March: Spring Fayre

Friday 31st March:
Mass in School 9:10am - Parents welcome to attend

Term ends at 1:30pm

Monday 17th April: Start of Term

Tuesday 18th April and
Wednesday 19th April:
Parents' Evening:
A separate letter with more detail will be sent next week.

Prayer and Reflection

This Sunday is the Fifth Sunday of Lent.

In this week's Gospel, we hear about how Lazarus, a good friend of Jesus, falls ill and dies. But death is not the end of life, and Jesus used this event to show people that he is truly the son of God.

"Jesus said: I am the resurrection and the life.

*If anyone who believes in me, even though he dies, he will live,
And whoever lives and believes in me will never die."*

Lord, help us to be like Martha, to see clearly that you are the son of God and the life of the world.
Make our belief and your life in us, grow a little stronger each day of our lives. Amen

Yours sincerely,
Mrs N. Hill
Headteacher

