



# NEWSLETTER

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Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019

**Curriculum snapshots – Please talk to your child about their learning this week!**

<p><b><u>Nursery</u></b> We sorted different beans and seeds. Some were big. Some were small. Some were white. Some were green and some were red. Hallé</p>	<p><b><u>Reception</u></b> We have been learning about minibeasts. When ladybirds feel threatened they spray a stinky liquid at the predators to scare them off! Josh</p>
<p><b><u>Year 1</u></b> We have been learning about measuring. Just because something is big, it doesn't mean it is going to be the heaviest. We also learnt about Vincent Van Gogh. He painted Starry Night, Camille's Family and The Sunflowers. Rosie</p>	<p><b><u>Year 2</u></b> The fire service came and they burnt down our cardboard box houses for the Great Fire of Mini Manchester. It was great fun watching, and they sprayed us with water too! Emilia</p>
<p><b><u>Year 3</u></b> We have been learning about litres and millilitres by making our own smoothies in Design Technology. Amelia</p>	<p><b><u>Year 4</u></b> We have been learning all the features of newspaper reports and have had lots of fun writing our own. James</p>
<p><b><u>Year 5</u></b> We have been learning about Eva Crane and how she taught Physics at Sheffield University. She then started studying bees as she got a bee hive for her wedding. Áine</p>	<p><b><u>Year 6</u></b> In Geography, I have learnt about how we get foods from across the world due to our weather not be suitable. Erin</p>

**Update - Fr Pat**

Father Pat is continuing to do well and is making great progress. Mr Platt and Mrs Williams have again visited him this week and he was delighted to see them and hear all about how we are getting on at school.

**Class 3TF**

Yesterday evening, the children of 3TF received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Many congratulations to them all. The service was a beautiful celebration of recognising the need to say sorry and to forgive one another, as well as to say sorry to God and to receive His forgiveness.

**Child Protection (Safeguarding)**

We are fully committed to safeguarding the children in our school. We will take any reasonable action to ensure the safety of its pupils. In cases where the school has a reason to be concerned that a child may be subject to ill-treatment, neglect or abuse, staff will follow Trafford's Guidelines and inform Social Services and/or the Police if necessary of their concern. The designated officer for Safeguarding in our school is Mrs McDonough.

A copy of our Safeguarding children's Policy is published on our school website. We have also developed a 'child-friendly' policy for our children and have discussed this with all children in school this week. We have placed a copy of this policy on the website for your reference.





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Please be aware that we use CCTV to support security and safeguarding. The main entrance to school is also covered by CCTV, in addition to the buzzer system, so that staff are aware of who is asking to gain access to school premises. Please be reminded that parents should only enter school premises through the main entrance and proceed immediately to the school office. In addition, adults and children in school have been reminded that they are not to let visitors into school at the main entrance door, so please do not be offended if staff in school walk past the door and do not let you in! It is important that all visitors are vetted correctly by our admin team according to safeguarding procedures. Many thanks for your understanding. A copy of our GDPR/CCTV policies can be found on our school website.

## Environmental Health Visits

A huge well done to our cook and kitchen team. Environmental health inspections have occurred in our kitchen and in our swans@play food preparation, and have given the following results:

**Kitchen - Environmental health 5 - top grade - very good - as in previous years.**

**Swans play - Environmental health visit - first visit/year of business - 5 - top grade.**

## Y1 Phonics screening meeting

Many thanks to all of you who attended the information session on Wednesday.

## Ukulele lessons

The whole year group ukulele lessons are starting on **Tuesday April 23** - the first day back after Easter for the children in Year 4.

The project will last 10 weeks, finishing in a performance/assembly to which parents will be invited - date of performance tbc.

## Class Liturgy Stay and Pray sessions

Two Reception classes are to have their class liturgies on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. For the first time, we are inviting parents of the children in those classes to attend and join their children in prayer and celebration.

Class EYH will begin at 9.10am and Class EYB will then follow at 9.30am or slightly after. If you wish to stay and pray, please drop your child off as usual and then wait until the allocated time; signing in at Reception and then one of our office staff will accompany you as a group to the classroom. We thank you in advance for your patience whilst waiting for the liturgy to start.

## Year 5 Retreats

Our three Year 5 classes will benefit from a prayerful class retreat taking place next week. Please see dates below. The children are to attend school in school uniform and lunch will be the usual arrangement. Activities in class are based on Holy Week and led by Sister Martine.

## Lenten fundraising

This week our Year 5 children have been in action with their varied Lenten stalls. We have had a number of "name the teddy" games, various raffles and prize draws and lots of very happy children raising money for a very good cause. It is another example of our inspirational children, ready and eager to help others less fortunate. Our thanks to them and to you as parents for supporting our Lenten effort. Please see additional information below:

Lenten Stalls

Once again we are encouraging children to run Lenten stalls to raise even more money to help support CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development). Below is a timetable for when each year group can run their stall - on the main playground, at break-times only.

Y4: Thursday 21st – Tuesday 26th

Y3: Wednesday 27th – Monday 1st April

When you have finished your stall, add the money you have raised to your class CAFOD box. You will need to draw the winners of your stall out in class and then deliver any prizes to that pupil's classroom; we will not be announcing winners in the Gold Book assembly as it sadly takes too much time. Y6 pupils will put out tables at 10.30am each morning in readiness for your stalls (weather permitting). Good luck raising funds – remember why you are doing such a great thing and think about how it could help other people in our world.

CAFOD's Mission Statement is "to promote human development [reducing poverty] and promote social justice in relation to Christian and Gospel values."



### PTA discos

Many thanks for our PTA for organising the discos to date. Tonight our Y3 children will enjoy their disco. Mrs Pearson will be on hand throughout the evening.

### Class Photos

We have re-arranged for class photos to be taken on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March**. They were postponed due to falling on the same day as our denominational inspection. Each class will have a joint photograph taken that day.

### Google Digital Garage

Google are visiting the school and will be providing a free training session for parents on 'How to keep your family safe online'. This is taking place on the 27th March at 6:00pm and will last approx 1 hour. Please look out for your Eventbrite invite from Mr Todd.

### Digital Leaders

*The Digital Leaders from St Hugh's took a trip to St Vincent's this week and met the Digital Leaders there. This was a 'networking' and 'testing' workshop in which the DLs at St Vincent's demonstrated and worked with our DLs on a new electronic device called The Crumble - a small circuit board that can be programmed using a computer. They also tested 'Stickbots' - a stop motion package.*

*It was an extremely useful workshop and our DLs learnt how to design, write and debug programs to accomplish specific goals. A big thank you to St Vincent's for hosting the event. (Mr Todd)*

### Easter Bonnet Parade

A date for the diary: The annual Easter Bonnet Parade will take place on the last day of this half term- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00am. The Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children need to have an Easter bonnet with them (Reception children will receive an additional letter to introduce you to this St Hugh's tradition), so that they can parade from school, up Park Rd as far as the Spar shop and then back again. Class teachers will also be asking for the support of a few additional adults to accompany us on the parade. The juniors then line both sides of the path from the front door, to wave the children off, as do the nursery children from their play area, and parents can then line the far end of the path or stand anyway along Park Rd to see the wonderful sight! Please note, we do not cross Park Rd at any point.



DIARY DATES	EVENT (Please be aware that dates are provisional)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Girl's Football League 4.00-5.30pm Year 3 PTA disco 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Class photos
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Class 5S Retreat (held in school) Hockey League 4.00-6.00pm
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Google Digital Garage safety talk for parents- 6.00-7.00pm in the school hall.
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Class 6SJ Mass at Church-9.30am
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> -Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year 6 trip to Robinwood
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Class 5T Retreat (held in school)
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Class Liturgy Stay and Pray sessions Class EYH 9.10am and Class EYB 9.30/9.35am. Class 5Tu Retreat (held in school) Lower Junior Production 1.45pm classes - <b>3P &amp; 4C</b>
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Lower Junior Production 1.45pm classes - <b>3TF &amp; 4K</b>
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Lower Junior Production 1.45pm classes - <b>3BP &amp; 4W</b>
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	11.00am Easter Bonnet Parade School closes at 3.30pm
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	School re-opens



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