

# St Nicholas Catholic Primary School

*'Love one another as I have loved you'*



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**Dates**

Dear Parents,  
Welcome back after a very wet and windy half term! And now snow- just to remind you:



**Snow**  
We will always endeavour to keep school open as long as staff numbers make it viable and safe to do so.  
If we are to close due to the weather we will try and send a text to you and put it on the website and soon as possible. If the School Office don't have your most recent mobile phone details could you please notify them so that our records can be kept up to date.

## **Pancakes**

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February is Shrove Tuesday or Pancake Tuesday. Shrove Tuesday is a day of celebration as well as penitence, because it's the last day before Lent. Lent is a time of abstinence, of giving things up. So Shrove Tuesday is the last chance to indulge yourself, and to use up the foods that aren't allowed in Lent. Giving up foods: but not wasting them. In the old days there were many foods that observant Christians would not eat during Lent: foods such as meat and fish, fats, eggs, and milky foods. So that no food was wasted, families would have a feast on shrove Tuesday, and eat up all the foods that wouldn't last the forty days of Lent without going off.

**With this in mind on Tuesday pancakes will be being made in school and sold for 50p each. This money will go towards the Lenten fund raising.**

## **Ash Wednesday**

You are warmly invited to join us for Ash **Wednesday Mass at 9:10am** in church to start the season of Lent.

## **Thought of the Week**

Your talent determines what you can do.  
Your motivation determines how much you are willing to do.  
Your attitude determines how well you do it.

## **PTA/Friends of St Nicholas**

There will be a meeting for the Friends on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 6pm in school. All parents are welcome to come along even if you have never attended before – come and see what's going on!

## **Book week reminder**

World book day is **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**.

## **Skipping**

30 of our Year 4 children will be taking part in the annual skipping competition on 3<sup>rd</sup> March- good luck!

## **Town Hall**

Our Year 5 children are visiting the Town Hall to listen to the Youth Music Prom next week. This is a great opportunity for the children to experience live music in a fabulous setting.

Date	Event
24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	School re-opens
25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Pancake sale
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Ash Wednesday Service
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Skipping competition Y5 Town Hall visit
5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents evenings (letter to follow)
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5/6 Class Mass
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3/4 St Patrick's Day Assembly
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception Mother's Day Assembly
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Mother's Day Mass in church
23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Mini Tennis Competition
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 Class Mass
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Stations of the Cross
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	School closes for Easter
20 <sup>th</sup> April	School reopens
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Y1 St George Assembly

This Week's Statement to Live by is: I try to use words that make the world a better place.



## Lent Fundraising

From Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February the children will take turns to bring home the **Lenten box**. To help us prepare for Easter, we would like to invite you to join our special project called "**The Little Lenten Box**"

The idea is that it is to help us remember the stories of Lent from Ash Wednesday to the Resurrection at Easter.

It gives you a chance as a family to discuss Easter and pray together.

Each class has a Lenten box which includes a small cross, a candle, rosary beads & instructions, a prayer, and a Lenten promise sheet. The boxes will be sent home for 1 night over the Lenten period.

**As a school we try during Lent to support those less fortunate than ourselves by raising money through activities involving the children.**



**Pancakes 50p each: Tomorrow, Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February**

## Foundation and Key stage One Starting Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February

Toast with jam or chocolate spread will be sold on **Tuesday and Thursday break times starting from Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>, 20p a slice.**  
**Key Stage 2 will take place from w/b 2<sup>nd</sup> March details to follow.**

## Whole school:

Raffle tickets will be on sale daily for an Easter egg raffle (20p a ticket) starting **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

Bun sale **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March**

Non-uniform day **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** (£1)

Easter bonnet, Easter cards & Easter gardens competition- entries to be in on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March.**

## Praise Assembly:

Year Groups	Well Done Certificate x1	Good Samaritan Chosen by Mini Vinnies	Most Merits	Every half term 'Captains table' (Lunch with Head)
Rec A	Mason Bhamber			
Rec B	Jaciara Silva Da Costa			
Y1	Greta Ruzzon		Josianna Kagai	
Y1/2	Ubayd Hussain	Penny Airey	Isabelle Lok	
Y2	Riya Phillips	Milcah Sempa – Stan Abel-starkey	Stan Abel-Starkey	
Y3	Sandra Aju	Amethyst Cressey	Brianna Bwahika	
Y3/4	Oliver Cash	Chiedza Mususa	Tenzin Rigzin	
Y4	Jacob Shaw		Dylan McBurney	
Y5	Akeel Browne-Aina		Aleck Nduwayo	
Y5/6	Farhan Miah	Bianka lapinska	Taejhon Pryce	
Y6	Roisin Donnelly			
Lunch Time Award		Felix Yawidi + Harper Dwyer		
Attendance		Class 8		
House Winner				
Head Teacher Award		Year 5 Nell Bank		

Yours sincerely  
Mrs Burns  
Head teacher