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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD

LENT

Years 1 and 2 are organising Mini Olympics for the whole school **next Wednesday, 20th March**. It will be a fun-filled event, giving children the opportunity to participate in a penalty shoot-out, obstacle course, egg and spoon race, skipping and a sprint. The cost for a family of pupils is £1 and individuals 50p (all contributions will be gratefully received). The money raised will be used to support The Good Shepherd Appeal, a diocesan charity, to help children and their families that experience a range of difficulties (physical, financial, emotional etc). Giving, in small ways, together, we can make a HUGE difference to individuals as well as our local and wider community and even the global community around the world. Classes continue to collect small change, for the same charity. Class totals will be announced in Friday's Achievement Assembly. Help us; help those most in need during this Lent. Thank you, in advance for your generosity and kindness. Y3 & Y4 will send out details of their fund-raising event, the week beginning 25th March and Y5 & Y6 in April.

Class Masses in the chapel, with Fr Michael.

Year 6 had a wonderful Lenten Mass last Tuesday. They had the opportunity to ask some very searching questions about the Mass and Fr Michael's specific teaching. We are very blessed to have Fr Michael working so closely with our school community every Tuesday; and he supports us all in our journey to grow closer to God. Next Tuesday it is Year 5's turn and then Y4 on the 26th March and Y3 on the 2nd April. You are warmly invited to join us on Tuesday, 9th April, when we will come together to share our Lenten Reconciliation Service – an opportunity for us all to ask God for His mercy for the times we have not lived as true friends of Jesus and start afresh. We pray: **O my God, because you are so good, I am very sorry that I have sinned against you and with the help of your grace, I will not sin again. Amen.**

Dates for your diary:

Every Friday All families welcome.	Achievement Assembly @ 2.45pm All welcome!
Every Wednesday 8.45-9.15am All Reception parents/carers welcome.	Stay and Play – Parents are invited to join their Reception children and spend time with Mrs Sandhu, Mrs Lyle and Miss Collins in learning through play activities.
17 th March 09.00 – 10.15 Church Hall	Prep for Reconciliation / Confession and Prep for First Holy Communion
19 th March	Y5 Mass in Chapel with Fr Michael 9.15am
20 th March	Y1 & Y2 Mini Olympics Fundraising event in the afternoon £1 for a family & 50p for individuals.

Lenten Liturgy – Every Thursday, during Lent, at 8.20 – 8.30am, in the school chapel. All parents/carers, pupils & staff welcome to attend.



Stations of the Cross every Friday 10.40-10.55am, during Lent, in the Chapel.



Jesus falls a second time.

ATTENDANCE

Give your child the best start in life – every school day counts!

New class awards for the class, with the best attendance, start this week. Prizes include the chance for pupils to win Jaffa Cakes, Fruit Kebabs or Games in the hall. Mrs Vento will organise this for next Tuesday break time.



This week's Trophy Winners!

Class	%	Number of Lates per class	Time lost through lateness
Reception	96.4	2	1hr 54mins
Y1	98.8	2	29mins
Y2	90.5	1	9mins
Y3	92.8	4	1hr 31mins
Y4	97.3	3	1hr 1mins
Y5	92.1	2	29mins
Y6	95.2	1	1hr 5mins
Overall school %	94.7		

If your child achieves 100% attendance your family will be entered into a prize draw to win £50 shopping vouchers for the term! If you have 100% attendance for two terms your family will be entered into a prize draw to win £100 shopping vouchers! If you have more than one child with 100% then you will receive two or more chances of winning the prizes!

Year 3 Road Safety Experts

Congratulations to Year 3! They have qualified as road safety experts and worked independently to achieve all their challenges. Well done, children! Continue to be safe and share your knowledge with all the family.

World Book Day, 7th March

THANKYOU Mrs Buttery, for organising the events and special Assembly for the whole school last week. All the pupils (and staff!) thoroughly enjoyed dressing up as a favourite book character or having the opportunity to wear their pyjamas to school! It is so important to help our children develop a love for reading and we continue to promote daily reading across the school. All children are independently selecting their reading books from their specific library area. Thank you for your continued support to read with your child (ren) and we welcome your comments in their reading record.



Congratulations...Bravo...Well done!!!



Golden Table Winners

This week these pupils have demonstrated outstanding behaviour during every lunchtime: Lola-Mae, Teddy, Rozalia, Eleanor, Aminah, Rebeka, Madeeha. On Monday, they will be on the Golden V.I.P. Table and will receive a prize for their exemplary behaviour. What wonderful role models you are, for all our pupils!



Class teachers' Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners: Konrad, Ahvina, Jahziah, Cassidy, David, Kevin, Shanel, Fatima, Mikail, Daniela, Tommy, Leon, Kacper, Emerode.



Year 4 Prefects this week did a wonderful job Hawwa, Daniela, Dorodka, Funmilayo, Mikail, Miguel, Bethany, Aminah, Gabriela, Oliwia, Callum, Logan, Pavol, Kuba.

Science Week

A huge thank you to Mrs Teal for her efforts to arrange visits and visitors for all our children, as part of their learning, for this year's Science Week. Year 5 and 6 were excellent ambassadors for St. William's when they visited the Science Media Museum on Wednesday. Very well done children! They returned with fascinating facts about the things they had learned and seen. Mr Clarke visited Reception and Y1 pupils and with his assistance they have potted a variety of plants that they will nurture and observe during the next coming weeks. He said he had never seen so many green fingers!!! Year 4 went on a tour of Morrisons to investigate the journey our food makes before it reaches our plate. Year 2 enjoyed learning about how boats float on water and really enjoyed their nature trail. All the children did an amazing job with the 'Mile a Day'. I wonder if any of them have recruited you to continue this?! We look forward to the writing they are producing about their learning in Science Week. Watch out for the new work which will be displayed on the Progression Board, in the dining hall.

Stay and Play - Reception

Thank you to the 13 parents who stayed for Stay and Play on Wednesday morning. We appreciate your continued support and the Reception Team have been overwhelmed with your positive feedback for all they do to help your child develop. Well done Reception staff!

