



Newsletter

Friday 22nd March 2024

Holy Week

This Sunday marks the start of **Holy Week**. On Monday morning, the children will recall the events of Palm Sunday through our Gospel values led assembly. Throughout the week, the children will be thinking about the significant events of Holy Week through prayer and reflection. On **Wednesday morning**, at 9.15am Parents are invited to join us in the school hall as the children from Year 3 and Year 4 present the Stations of the Cross.



FOSP – Spring Sing at the Easter Fiesta

On **Tuesday** starting at 3.30pm the FOSP are hosting the Spring Sing/Easter Fiesta. All families are welcome to join us for this event. The school choir will be performing at this event and there will be refreshments to buy, a chocolate tombola and a few other Easter themed stalls available. Thank you to all who have volunteered to help at this event.

We are still asking for donations of chocolates for the Chocolate Tombola. These can be still be brought into school on Monday. On Tuesday we would welcome any **donations of cakes**. The proceeds raised from the Spring Term Events will go towards funding a new screen for one of the classrooms and will also be used to enhance learning in the outdoors in the Early Years.

The Lenten Smarties Challenge

Thank you to all families who have already returned their Smarties tube for completing Good Deeds throughout Lent. All filled tubes need to be returned by **Monday** in order to be entered into the prize draw. The prize draw will take place on Monday with 3 Easter Egg prizes. Thank you for supporting your child with this project during Lent.

Nursery Provision

This week we have sent out offer letters for Nursery places for September 2024 and we are now delighted that we are able to offer 30 hours. Please confirm your acceptance by **Friday 5th April 2024**. We do have some spaces available so if you know anyone looking for a Nursery place please encourage them to contact the school office for more information.

Learning at St Paul's this week



Nursery



Reception



Year 1 Safari Day

As we finish for the Easter holidays on Thursday there will be no newsletter next week. We would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families a very Happy Easter. We will welcome everyone back to school on Wednesday 10th April.

Class Photographs

Order Information for Class Photographs will be distributed on Monday next week and can be ordered online through www.myfoto.co.uk Free postage will be available until 14th April 2024.

Academy Consultation

We have sent out an important email regarding the proposed academy conversion to join the Corpus Christi Catholic Academy Trust. We ask that you take the time to read this email and complete the consultation response form <https://forms.office.com/e/afD2aL0MYg>

The consultation will close on Friday **26th April 2024**.

Healthwatch – Greater Manchester

Healthwatch in Greater Manchester are undertaking research into the mental health and wellbeing of young people. This project is important because we know there are long waiting times for young people to be seen and we want to investigate how this is affecting them. Findings will aid decision-makers in statutory NHS and Care services as well as in the education and voluntary sectors, to effectively prioritise services. Healthwatch have also launched a survey aimed to gather personal experiences of young people, as well as a separate survey open to parents and carers for them to share their experience of supporting their children. Further stages planned as part of this project include focus groups and case studies capturing the experiences of families. Depending on the level of response, Healthwatch propose publishing their report in May/June this year which will appear on every website of the 10 Healthwatch in Greater Manchester. We encourage you to take a few minutes to complete the surveys below.

Parents/Carers survey: <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/04XCJG/>

Children and young people's survey: <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/5AOYF6/>

Attendance & Punctuality

Congratulations to Year 3 with the highest attendance and to Nursery and Year 2 for the being the most punctual once again. We hope to see an improvement in punctuality, particularly in Year 1 and Year 5.

<i>Attendance & Punctuality for week beginning 11th March 2024</i>									
	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Overall
Attendance	96%	96.55%	97.6%	94.44%	98.33%	98.13%	97.33%	96.77%	96.89%
No of Lates	0	1	11	0	1	3	8	6	

Dates for your 2024 Diary	
Sunday 24th March	Start of Holy Week
Monday 25th March	Return Date for filled Smarties Tubes
Tuesday 26th March	FOSP – Spring Sing at 3.30pm
Wednesday 27th March	Year 3/4 present The Stations of the Cross – Parents welcome at 9.15am
	Year 6 Booster Classes 3.15pm – 4pm
Thursday 28th March	Break up for Easter Holidays
Wednesday 10th April	Start of the Summer Term
	Year 6 Booster Classes 3.15pm – 4pm
Friday 12th April	Year 4 Class Mass at 9am – Parents & Parishioners welcome
Wednesday 17th April	ASCC Staff Visit to Year 5
Thursday 18th April	Year 4 Class Visit to Hyde Library
	Academy Consultation Meeting for Parents at 5pm
Friday 19th April	Year 4 Swimming Starts
Wednesday 24th April	Year 5 Class Assembly
Friday 26th April	End of Academy Consultation
Tuesday 30th April	Y3 Family Workshop – Sacramental Programme at 6pm
Saturday 11th May	First Holy Communion – 9.30am at St Paul's Church
Monday 13th May	Start of Year 6 SATs Week
Monday 10th June	Start of Year 1 Phonics Screening Checks
	Start of Year 4 Multiplication Checks

Easter Mass Times

Thursday 21st March - Reconciliation Service - 7pm
St Mary's confession with Fr Isidore and Fr Philip

Thursday 28th March - Maundy Thursday - 7:30pm St Mary's
Mass of the Last Supper, with Washing of the feet

Friday 29th March - Good Friday - 10:00am St Paul's
Stations of the Cross

Friday 29th March - Good Friday - 3:00pm St Mary's.
Passion Narratives, Veneration of the cross and Holy Communion

Saturday 30th March - Easter Vigil – 7.30pm St Paul's
Blessing the Easter fire and the Easter Candle, 1st Mass of Easter

Sunday 31st March - Easter Sunday - 9:30am & 11:00am St Mary's

