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# **Newsletter No.22**

Dear Parents,

28<sup>th</sup> February 2014

Dates for your diary - March		
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	All day	Reception trip to Birmingham Airport
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	All day	Non uniform day – bring a daffodil for St David's Day
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	All day	Year 6 trip to Avoncroft Museum
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.15am	Ash Wednesday Mass (in school)
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	6.00pm	Bedtime Stories (see below)
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.15am	Year 3 Class assembly
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	2.30pm	Parent Council meeting (all welcome)
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> Mar	All week	Y6 Lenten Activities
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	3.45 – 6.00pm	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	4.30 – 7.00pm	Parents' Evening
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	All day	Parish Day of Prayer
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	All day	Y5 Lenten Activities
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	All day	Non uniform day – wear green for St Patrick's day

### St David's Day

To celebrate St David's Day (March 1<sup>st</sup>) children can wear non uniform on Monday. We ask that they bring at least one daffodil in to school so that we can spread some spring time good will throughout our community, delivering bunches of flowers to the elderly and house bound. Your support is appreciated.

#### **Bedtime Stories**

You will have received a flier for this event organised by our PTA. To celebrate World Book Week members of our staff will be reading their favourite stories in two sessions between 6.00 - 7.00pm. Children are invited to return to school in their pyjamas and with their favourite teddy if they wish. They will then have the opportunity to enjoy two story sessions; a variety of craft activities, as well as a cup of hot chocolate and a biscuit. The cost is £1.50 per child. Accompanying adults can relax in our school hall where refreshments will also be provided. This should be a lovely event; we ask that you return your flier by Tuesday morning (4<sup>th</sup> March) so that we have an idea of how many people will be attending.

### Our New School Website

We are now adding the finishing touches to our new school website and we are still on track to go live on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March. It looks absolutely fantastic and we can't wait to share it with you!

#### **Nursery Opening**

Holy Cross Pre-School Nursery had its official opening today. This was officiated over by Andrew Mitchell MP. It was lovely to see so many people in attendance. Thank you to Mrs Karen Gordon and the nursery directors for working so hard to realise their vision and for providing our local community with such a wonderful facility.

# **The Big Bling Competition**

1<sup>st</sup> place Mia B Early Years, 2<sup>nd</sup> place William H Year 2 with the support of Sophie and James and 3<sup>rd</sup> place Calum T Year 5. Well done to the children who took part and for being so creative.

# The' Big Pedal' is back 3rd March – 17th March 2014

Ride your bike/scooter to school every day during the two weeks of the competition. Register each day with your school council member in your class – remember to add any supporters riding their bike/scooter to school with you. Also, included is 'Walk On Wednesday.' See 'The Bike It' board in the school hall for regular update! Good luck.

6 days

# Parental mail for the office

In an effort to reduce the amount of time parents are waiting to be served by the school office, we now have a post box on the wall in the main reception area. This can be used for general correspondence and payments. If you are depositing a payment please can you ensure that it is in a **sealed envelope, correct change, with child's name and what the payment is for clearly marked on the envelope.** The post box will be emptied on a regular basis during the day. Thank you.

# Dance Club

Congratulations to the Dance Club – on Tuesday we performed our 'Thunder Dance' at the Dance Festival held at Bishop Walsh School. The children were very well behaved, sensible and performed beautifully! You should be very proud.

# **Football**

Reminder – Football after school on a Friday is now only for Year 6 football team. Thank you.

# My Maths

Important notice – My Maths password has changed with effect from today 28<sup>th</sup> February. Log in: hccp password: thirteen

### Plea from Year 2 class

Can parents please send in cardboard boxes no bigger than a cereal box and cardboard tubes to help Year 2 complete there project by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March, thank you.

### Plea from Year 1 class

Can parents please send in plastic tops from milk containers for Year 1 to help them with their phonic games, thank you.

### **Attendance**

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 1 with 99.63%. Well done.

Recommendations: Reception: Dylan G, Fraser C Year 1: Sam W Year 2: Whole of Year 2 Year 3: Ben L Year 4: Whole of Year 4 Year 5: Georgia S, Alfie U Year 6: Victoria P, Patrick S.

Super Scribes: Reception: Francesca L Year 1: Orlaith G Year 2: Lilliemae G Year 3: Jacob D, Thomas T Year 4: Sadie M Year 5: Sean H Year 6: Alfie L.

Lunchtime Award: Chris S, Nhea R.

**Top Table:** Chris S, Nhea R, Jacob D, Thomas T, Dylan G, Fraser C, Joseph L, Olivia S, Lewis B, Alfie L, Sam W and Ben B.

Enjoy the weekend and have a great week.

# I.Gallagher

Ian Gallagher (Acting Principal) and the staff team

# God and Possessions

"Lord, free me from needless worries and help me to put my trust in you. Make my first concern your kingdom and your righteousness. Help me to live each day with trust and gratitude for your care for me."

Amen













