

St John XXIII Catholic Primary School



Newsletter – Friday 9th February 2018

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Preparation for Easter

This year Ash Wednesday falls during half term on 14th February

Do you want to fast this Lent?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words

Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude

Fast from anger and be filled with patience

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.

Fast from worries and have trust in God.

Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity

Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others

Fast from grudges and be reconciled

Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

GOOD CHOICES

Please could parents speak to their children about the use of inappropriate language. This week alone we have dealt with 6 incidents of children swearing and using inappropriate words for their age. It is very upsetting for other children to hear these words in the playground. Please use the half term to reinforce the importance of speaking kindly with their friends and helping them to understand the correct word choices to be making. Please advise them that inappropriate language is unacceptable and has no place in our peaceful school.

Movie Nights



Both Movie Nights on 24th & 25th January were a great success. EYFS & KS1 enjoyed The Smurfs Movie and KS2 enjoyed The Wimpy Kid.

All the children had a healthy snack of popcorn, raisins and a drink.

A big thank you to Shianne and Alexa Yr 4 for helping to organise the two events

ZIG ZAGS



You will have noticed the new zig zags outside our school gate on India Way. Please respect these by not parking on them at drop off and collection times. They are there for your children's safety.

YEAR 3 & YEAR 4 ATHLETICS

On Thursday, some children from Year 3 and Year 4 took part in an Indoor Athletics Tournament at the Burlington Danes Academy. 10 primary schools took part. Elijah and Issa won the first race for St John XXIII. There were 4 field events and lots of races. The girls came 3rd in the relay race with an outstanding run from Emmanuella. The boys also came first in their relay. The final result was that St John XXIII came joint 6th with St Bernadette's.

Elijah Year 4

EDUSPOT

Teachers2parents is now known as Eduspot. All logins & passwords for School Money remain the same.
www.eduspot.co.uk

GIRLS HAIR

Please can girls come to school with their hair neatly tied back. Hair ties to be simple black, white, yellow or navy.
Thank you

MAYORS CUP NEWS

The Boys and Girls teams played two matches each on Friday 2nd February against Brackenburg and Wendell Park!

The Boys drew one match 2-2 and sadly lost the other match against a strong team from Brackenburg. The Girls won both of their matches with a score of 8-1 against Wendell Park and 1-0 against Brackenburg.

The teams were congratulated by the QPR referee on their outstanding play and organisation of the teams.

A fantastic team effort by all players

ATTENDANCE COMPETITION



Every half term we run an attendance competition and the winning class gets a prize, here are the results so far:-

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| RAC | 89.84% | Y2N | 89.64% |
| RSE | 91.90% | Y3 | 97.48% |
| Y1N | 93.18% | Y4 | 96.74% |
| Y1M | 97.36% | Y5 | 94.24% |
| Y2B | 96.73% | Y6 | 96.55% |

PUNCTUALITY



Thank you to parents whose children arrive well before the new start of the school day at 8.55am. A reminder that the bell is rung at 8.55am, this is when the registers are taken. Your child should be in the playground by 8.50am. Lateness is disruptive and your child will miss important information and instructions.

PARISH NEWS - Half term Activity

Messy Church - An afternoon of Arts and Crafts Fun and the Gospel message will take place on Friday 16th February from 3.15pm to 5pm in the Parish Hall.

Children from age 3 years to 12 years welcome. Parents must accompany their children. Please bring a suggested donation of 50p towards the event.

We look forward to seeing you. Thank you



Parents please refrain from using your mobile phones once you are inside the school grounds. Greet your child with a smile, not a mobile phone!

Dates ** Please note new dates for Parent Consultation Days & times for Easter Liturgies

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| Friday 9 th February | Reception Superhero Dress Up Day PTA Cake & Pancake Sale (3pm) |
| 12 th – 16 th February | Half Term |
| Wednesday 21st February | Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y6 Parent Consultation Day** |
| Thursday 22nd February | Nursery, Reception, Y4 & Y5 Parent Consultation Day** |
| Friday 23 rd February | Mayors Cup v Old Oak (2pm Ravenscourt Park) |
| Thursday 1 st March | World Book Day – Fancy Dress – come as your favourite Book character |
| Friday 2 nd March | Y2B Assembly (9.00am) |
| 26 th Feb – 2 nd March | Book Week |
| Monday 5 th March | Choir & School of Rock Trip to Cadogan Hall |
| Thursday 8th March | Y4 Assembly (9.00am) Please note change of date |
| Monday 12 th March | Reception Science Museum Trip |
| Thursday 15th March | Y1M Assembly (9.00am) Please note change of date |
| Friday 16 th March | Nursery class Saint service (2.15pm) |
| Monday 19 th March | Last week for after school clubs |
| Thursday 22 nd March | Y3 Liturgy (2.15pm) Y6 SATs meeting (4.30pm) |
| Friday 23 rd March | KS2 Instrumental Concert (9.00am) |
| Monday 26 th March | Y5 & Y6 Way of the Cross (2.00pm) |
| Tuesday 27 th March | KS2 mass at St Aidan's (10.00am) |
| Thursday 29 th March | End of Term (1.30pm) |
| Monday 16 th April | Back to school |

SAFEGUARDING

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any person (parent or staff) have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform one of the school's designated safeguarding team (Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs Finn or our Designated Safeguarding Governor, Ms E Uwalaka). In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a duty to discuss the issue with Social Services to seek further advice. This is the statutory obligation of all schools.