St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School

Friday, 10th March 2023

Thought for the week

Third Sunday of Lent:

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"God loves each of us as if there is only one of us to love."

St. Augustine of Hippo



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A message from Mrs. Rawlinson

☆ Just when you thought spring was in the air....let's hope this cold wintery blast doesn't stay with us for ☆ too long. We are ready for a bit of sunshine now!

Thank you to our wonderful Year 3 class for leading our collective worship this morning, all about Laudato Si and how we should be looking after our world. You were all amazing. Well done.

There is so much going on at school at the moment as we continue to journey through Lent. We have science week next week, Easter celebrations at church, collective worships, PTFA events, Mothers' Day assembly (EYFS), parents evening, Rock Steady concert, Year 6 residential to Conway Centre in Anglesey....the list goes on. Our school life and achievements will continue to be celebrated via our newsletters, Facebook and Twitter feeds.

> A reminder: we finish for Easter on Friday, 31st March at 1.30pm. Please keep this date and time in your diary.

Finally, thank you all for the cheers of support during the St Helens 10km and well done to all our parents who took part; St Thomas of Canterbury was well represented (Mr. Ellis was even one of the marshalls!)

PTFA events

The next event in the PTFA calendar is Easter Bingo! This will be held on Thursday 30th March at 6pm in the school hall. There will be an own clothes day on Friday 24th March in return for Easter themed and chocolate donations.

More information will be sent out next week with a ticket request slip form to return.



Sticky Fingers at St. Andrew's Church

Calling all mums and toddlers.

Come and join us at St. Andrew's Church Hall on Thursdays 9:15am—10:45am (term time only).

Enjoy both indoor and outdoor activities, story time, snacks and song time.

We'd love to meet you.

Reminder

Year 2 Collective Worship:

The children of Year 2 would like to invite their families to their class Collective Worship on Friday, 17th March at 9.00am. Parents are to come in through the main office entrance.

We hope to see you there.



A special Mothers' Day assembly

Nursery and Reception children would like to invite their families to a very special Collective Worship to celebrate Mothers' Day.

This will take place on Friday, 17th March at 2.30pm.

<u>Scíence week</u>

Next week we will be marking British Science Week with a number of special events and activities taking place in school.

We have had a number of volunteers from our school community to give talks and discussions about how science helps them in their work. Thank you so much to all those who have offered their time to talk to the children. We have nurses, orthoptists, pathologists, heart specialists, dentists, vascular healthcare scientists to name a few. We also have a 'Zoo Day' booked for Friday where all the classes will spend time learning about meercats, skunks, reptiles and other animals.

We hope to make Science week a fun and successful week.

Strike days

Reminder

Teachers will continue to strike on Wednesday, 15th and Thursday, 16th March (unless an agreement has been reached by then).

Years 2 and 4 will be closed for the two days.

<u>Year 6 will be in on Wednesday, 15th</u> (as Mrs Woodward teaches on Wednesdays) and will be off on Thursday, 16th. Thank you for your understanding.



Well done to our stars of the week.

This week's award is for: Showing resilience when problem solving in maths

Nursery: Myles Dunning

Reception: Olivia Liptrot

Finlay Measures Year 1:

<u> Year 2: Sam Akehurst</u>

James Deluce <u>Year 3:</u>

Year 4: William Millen

Year 5: Evelyn Seddon

Year 6: Alfie Candelin

Sports competitions

Earlier this week a group of Y5 & Y6 children: Jacob, Barney, Maddison, Lexi-Anne and Alexie-Mae took part in a Curling Competition at Broadway Sports Hall.

The children learned a new skill and developed tactics during the course of the competition to improve their game.

They played exceptionally well and achieved 2nd place out of a total of ten teams, The children each received a silver medal.

Well done, we are very proud of your achievement!

Important Dates for your Diary

March

- 17th Y2 Collective Worship
- 17th Mobile Zoo in school (all classes will visit throughout the day)
- 17th Mothers' day Assemby for Nursery and Reception classes (2.30pm school hall)
- 21st Rock Steady concert
- 22nd Parents afternoon/evening (1.30pm to 6pm)
- 23rd KS2 Easter Celebration in Church 1.45pm (parents are welcome to attend)
- 24th Non-uniform day for PTFA Easter Bingo
- 27th Y6 residential to Conway Centre (return 29th March)
- 30th PTFA Easter Bingo in school hall (doors open at 5.30pm for a 6pm start)
- 31st Y4 attending 11am Mass in Church
- 31st End of Spring term (finish at 1.30pm)

April

- 12th children return to school
- 17th Y5 start Swimming (each Monday for 4 weeks)
- 17th Sacramental workshop 5

May

- 1st Bank Holiday
- 8th Bank Holiday
- 9th Start of Year 6 End of Key Stage tests (SATs)
- 12th Y4 Collective Worship
- 18th Ascension Day Mass in Church 11am
- 25th Reception Class Vision Checks (0-19 team)
- 26th May procession Church 11am
- 26th Close for Whit Half-term (2 weeks)

June

- 12th children return to school
- 12th Year 4 Multiplication tables check
- 12th Y4 start swimming (each Monday for 5 weeks)
- 20th Y6 Leavers Photographs
- 23rd EYFS Collective Worship
- 29th St Peter & St Paul Holy Day of Obligation Church 11am

July

- 1st Y4 First Holy Communion Church 12noon
- 11th Y6 Leavers Mass Church 11am
- 21st End of Summer term (finish at 1.30pm)

Parents evening

Wednesday, 22nd March

The booking system for making an appointment for parents evening will go live from Monday at 8am. Please book your appointment via school spider. Any questions please contact the school office. Parents evening will take place in the school hall from 1.30pm to 6.00pm. With the exception of Year 4 appointments which will be held over two days. The first will be on 21st March from 3pm—5.30pm, these slots will be for children without siblings in school and the second day will be on 22nd March from 2.30pm—4pm, these slots will be for children with siblings.

Slots are 5 minutes, please ensure you keep to your allocated appointment time to avoid delays.

Parents are to come in via the school office and a waiting area will be set up.