

St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School

Friday, 17th March 2023

Thought for the week

Fourth Sunday of Lent:

“As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.”



A message from Mrs. Rawlinson

Science week has been a great success! Every class has had someone visit them to discuss and share with the children how science helps them in their line of work; including an **ophthalmic**, a dentist, a doctor, a pathologist, a cardiac nurse and a nurse who helped create the covid vaccine! Hopefully some of our children have been inspired by these talks and may become a scientist when they are older! I would like to say a massive thank you to all the volunteers who have given their time to talk to the children—THANK YOU!

To finish science week with a bang we have had a mobile zoo in school today! Each class spent time learning about snakes, skunks, meercats..... And even got to hold some of the animals. Make sure to see the pictures on our social media channels.

Thank you to the PTFA for covering the cost of the zoo.

Today we also had two very special collective worships, led by Year 2 and our EYFS children. Year 2 led us in prayer around the theme of gratitude and looking for signs of Spring in God's world. And our children in EYFS were absolutely wonderful in showing their mums just how much they love them in their Mothers' Day assembly. (I'm sure I saw a few tears!) Thank you to all our children.

There is still much more to come during this half term, including:

- ⇒ Easter service at church
- ⇒ Year 4 attending mass at church
- ⇒ Parents evening
- ⇒ Rock Steady concert
- ⇒ Conway residential (Year 6)
- ⇒ Sports competitions
- ⇒ Mini Vinnies visit to Dementia Café.

And, if you are looking for something different to do next weekend, why not consider going to see 'Fearless' at the Theatre Royal? Aoife (Y5) and Ewan (Y6) are both performing in it. The show is on Saturday, 25th March at 7pm and Sunday, 26th March at 2pm, tickets are £15 each.

Good luck to Aoife and Ewan!

Easter Service

The whole school will be taking part in a very special Easter service on Thursday, 23rd March at 1:45pm at church. Our families and parishioners are warmly welcome to join with us.

As part of their sacramental journey, Year 4 children will be attending Mass at church on Friday, 31st March at 11.00am. The children will be participating in the mass but not leading the liturgy.

Maths information evening for parents

On Wednesday, 26th April there will be a maths information evening for parents and families. The teachers will be doubling (excuse the pun!) to work together so parents with more than one child can visit two talks in the same evening:

Nursery and Reception (EYFS)

Year 1 and Year 2 (KS1)

Year 3 and Year 4 (Lower KS2)

Year 5 and Year 6 (upper KS2)

Parents Afternoon/ Evening

Reminder: parents evening is on Wednesday, 22nd March from 1.30pm onwards. Make sure to book your appointment with the teacher via school spider.
Thanks.

Photographs

Photograph proofs were sent home with the children last Friday.
Please note the deadline date to return orders to school is Monday, 27th March 2023

PTFA events

PTFA are hosting a family 'Easter Bingo' on Thursday 30th March in the school hall, doors will open at 5.30pm for a 6pm start.

Letters were sent home earlier this week. If you would like to attend this event please return the ticket request form together with the correct money in a clearly labelled envelope by 24th March. Tickets will then be sent home with your child on Monday, 27th March.

There will be an own clothes day on Friday 24th March in return for Easter themed and chocolate donations.



Well done to our stars of the week.



**This week's award is for:
Showing enthusiasm and curiosity in our
Science week.**

Nursery: Evan Snee

Reception: Ivy Williams

Year 1: Elise Walsh

Year 2: Charlie Gavin

Year 3: Rohan Dickinson

Year 4: William Millen & Mia Allerston

Year 5: Joel Culley

Year 6: Leo Scully

Sports Competitions

Earlier this week a group of Y3 & Y4 children took part in a football competition held at Sutton Academy. Well done to the team for battling through the awful weather conditions!

Today we took a team of Y3 and Y4 children to an athletics event which was held at Broadway Sports Hall.

The children were fantastic and came 2nd overall.

Well done children!

Growing Together in God's Love

Important Dates for your Diary

March

- 21st - Rock Steady concert (2pm in school hall)
- 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
- 26th - Maths parents information evening

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)