



Newsletter – Friday 28th February 2020



Worship themes – During the 2nd half term, children will be focusing on the following themes:

School Value: Forgiveness

Class Worship Focus: Don't rub it in, rub it out?

Reflective question: Why does the World need Jesus?



Class attendance update:

| Class | *% | Class | *% | Class | *% | Class | *% |
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| YR:NT | 93.93% | Y1TL | 94.65% | Y3EG | 96.66% | Y5JY | 95.78% |
| YR:TK | 92.62% | Y1/2OB | 96.39% | Y3/4CS | 93.11% | Y5/6NC | 96.21% |
| | | Y2JW | 93.75% | Y4HJ | 97.19% | Y6AJM | 95.93% |
| Whole school attendance: 95.11% | | | | | | | |

*%'s are up to and including Friday 14th February



Hinning House – Recently, 32 children spent a week at Hinning House in the Lake District for the annual Y5 residential. Like last year, due to the popularity of this trip, our school visited the centre twice. In January, our larger group of boys and girls from St. George's Central made the trip to the Lakes and then in February, one group of boys joined up with children from St. Philip's to enjoy a week in the mountains. The children spent the week



exploring the countryside, orienteering, mountain biking as well as many other outdoor and adventurous activities. I am sure the children had a great time away from home, experiencing all these different activities.



Safer Internet Day – Mr Simmons arranged for a theatre group to come into school before half term as part of Safer Internet day. Children in Key Stage One classes took part in various workshops throughout the morning, whereas children in Key Stage Two watched a performance highlighting the importance of staying safe online. Many thanks for your financial contributions which supported this.

Shoebox Service – Thursday 13th February saw our school choir take part in the annual Rotary Club Shoebox Service at St. George's Church. Many thanks for your kind donations in helping to fill our shoeboxes which go to underprivileged children.



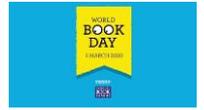
Eucharist Service for Ash Wednesday in school – Thanks to Rector Martin for leading our Eucharist Service for Ash Wednesday in school earlier this week. After the service, Rector Martin spoke with children in Year 5 and Year 6 about Confirmation. A letter from church will be coming home about this after Easter.

*****You will have seen from our last newsletter that Mrs Yates, who led our PTFA for many years, recently stepped down from her role. If you could help with our PTFA, or if you would like more information, please see Miss Worden in our school office. Once we have a list of people in place, we will arrange a meeting that is convenient for all to attend so that we can continue to move forwards raising funds for school*****

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World Book Day – Don't forget that on Thursday 5th March, children at school and Lancaster Avenue Nursery can bring their favourite book to school/nursery to share and also **dress up as a character from a book**. Each class will have a 'guest reader' on the day, alongside lots of other reading activities.



'All Being Well' project – Different ideas are currently being developed within the Tyldesley area as part of the 'All Being Well' project. Our school has been proactive in trialing many of these ideas, namely the intergenerational work at Hillcrest Residential home. Other local schools are leading on different areas of the project (Sacred Heart are leading on one of the environmental strands through collecting plastics to make Eco-bricks). Our children will soon be starting to lead on another environmental strand through undertaking regular community litter picks in our locality.

Sport Relief – We will be supporting Sport Relief on **Friday 13th March** with children and staff donating £1 so that they can 'dress as a sportstar' for the day.



Easter Egg Hunt – We will be continuing with our Easter competition this year at St. George's Central CE School and Nursery. Each class will have a 100 square grid. For 50p, your child can choose one of the numbered squares. On Thursday 2nd April there will be a draw – should your child's number be drawn out, and they are in school, then they will win an Easter egg. We are anticipating that there will be at least 10 eggs per class. The grids will be in class from **Monday 16th March** and to give everyone in the class a chance, we are asking that during this week each child chooses only one number from their grid. From **Monday 23rd March**, your child will be able to have as many choices as they like until the grid is full. This money can be brought into class or nursery with your child. On **Friday 27th March**, there will be a non – uniform day in school for children and staff to contribute an Easter egg towards the prizes.

Reading Coffee morning – Tuesday 17th March will see Mr Young and Mrs Kearns host a reading coffee morning in the school hall. Here they will discuss ways to support your child with reading at home and look at the different ways we teach reading at school. They will be on hand to answer any questions you have and look at ways to encourage your child to love books. Please come to the school hall for a 9:05am start. We hope to see you there.



Mothering Sunday – On Sunday 22nd March, our children are invited to the 10:30am Sung Eucharist Service at St. George's Church to celebrate Mothering Sunday. We will have reserved rows for our school at the front of church. We hope to see you there.

Book Fair – There will be a Book Fair in school from Monday 23rd March. We will receive 'commission' based on the money you spend on books for your children, which we will be using to purchase further books as part of upgrading our school library. See below for the days/times books will be on sale:



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| Monday 23rd March: | 8:30am – 8:50am and 3:20pm – 4:00pm |
| Tuesday 24th March: | 8:30am – 8:50am and 3:20pm – 4:00pm |
| Wednesday 25th March: | 8:30am – 8:50am and 3:20pm – 4:00pm |
| Thursday 26th March: | 8:30am – 8:50am and 3:20pm – 4:00pm |
| Friday 27th March: | 8:30am – 8:50am |

Please feel free to come into school via the library door that opens onto the playground on any of these days, at the times stated.

KS2 Easter Service – At 10am on Thursday 2nd April, our KS2 children will walk to St. George's Church to take part in our very own Easter service. This will involve the children singing Easter songs with the Easter story being narrated and acted out by the children.



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KS1 Sportshall athletics – Friday 24th January saw the KS1 athletics team take part in different events against other local schools. Well done to Nina Bailey, Michael Barnett, Zara Bibey, Keavey Boden Smith, Cody Crowther, Harrison Gwyther, Jason Li, Kyra McCarthy, Alissia Meskell, Kara Molyneaux, Joey Swindells and Harry Wynne who made up the KS1 team.

Y5/6 Dodgeball festival – Monday 27th January saw the Y5/6 dodgeball team take part in a festival against fifteen other schools. The team played really well and narrowly missed out on qualifying for the final. Well done to: Jenna Binks, Marley Crawford, Alfie Daly, Ben Green Thomas Whittle, Ella Meskell, Noah Molyneaux and Cameron Taylor who made up the team.



Kickstarterz Taster Session – Some children from Reception took part in lots of fun style fitness activities at a 'Kickstarterz' session with Reception children from other local schools. This was a great opportunity for some of our children to take part in their first ever ATSA event.

KS1 Kurling Competition – Friday 7th February saw our KS1 Kurling team take part in a competition against six other schools. The team played really well and managed to qualify for the final where they were narrowly beaten by St. Stephen's. Well done to Corynne Beca, Alissia Meskell, Beau Parr and Luiza Zgierun who made up the team.



First Aid for Sport – Earlier this week, some of our Y6 children took part in a First Aid for Sports session at Garrett Hall. The children learned basic first aid skills with a focus on the types of injury children may experience in competitive sports.



Football leagues – This year, there is a mixed football league and a girls' football league and our school has a team in both leagues. Matches have been taking place over the last few weeks at Fred Longworth each Monday and Friday. So far, our girls' team has played two matches, winning one match and narrowly losing the second. Our mixed team has played one match, which they drew. The team play their second match after school



tonight. I will keep you updated with how both teams progress over the next few weeks.

Before the next newsletter, children from St. George's Central will be taking part in:

- **KS2 Mini Waterpolo Competition** **Y3/4 Futsal Competition** **Y5/6 Golf taster session**
- **Y4 MUFC Football Competition** **KS1 Dance Competition** **Kickstarterz Taster Session**

The next newsletter (with Summer Term 1st half dates) will be sent out on Thursday 2nd April, the last day of term! Have a great month with your family.

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