



ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

In our belief statement assembly this morning we heard the statement, '**I can learn from my mistakes and failures.**' The aim has to be to not keep repeating them!

HMI Visit

We will be visited on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week by Kevin Sheldrick who will be looking at the progress made by school since our inspection at the end of September.

Post Ofsted Progress Monitoring Group

The Governors have set up a post Ofsted Monitoring Group which met for the first time last week. The parents champions: David Edwards, Cherry Williams and Sarah Whitehead were all invited to the meeting. One of the actions we agreed on was putting something in each Newsletter about what has been going on in school to address the issues Ofsted identified.

Each key issue has Governor attached to it and they are responsible for monitoring progress in their area. All of the Governors with these responsibilities have been into school to meet with key staff and they shared their findings at last week's meeting.

Brenda Willis Star Reader Award

Congratulations to this year's winners who received their awards last week.

Foundation - Libby Whitcombe, Key Stage One - Cain Metcalfe,
Lower Key Stage Two - Ellie Myers, Upper Key Stage Two - Emily Freeman

Sports Relief Day

What a sight your children were on Friday, they looked **MAGNIFICENT** and also raised £50 in the process, well done and thank you to all!

Magazine Club

I am afraid that this week's magazine club has had to be cancelled as Mrs Bird will be attending her grandmother's funeral on Tuesday. Please keep her family in your thoughts and prayers

Uniform

A few children have taken to wearing boots for school and I would like to remind parents that our policy states shoes. As we are approaching our Easter Holiday it may be a good time to ensure that your children come back to school with the appropriate footwear.

After School Activities

Monday: There will be no football practice this evening due to the boys playing a football match away at Ranskill.

Tuesday: Magazine Club 3.00 - 3.30pm

Wednesday: Foundation 2 / Key Stage 1 music, 3.00 - 4.00pm

Thursday: Homework Club 3.00 - 3.45pm

Well Played!

Our footballers put up a magnificent performance last week before losing narrowly, 2 -1, to Ranskill to a very late, and somewhat debateable, penalty. Also, well done to our Year 3 and 4 athletes for taking part in the athletics festival so well, we are proud of all the children who represent our school.

Bonus Ball

Please try to pay Cherry by Friday of each week. This is a really useful way of helping to raise funds for school.

Easter Story Assemblies

We will celebrate the Easter Story with three, short, assemblies this week:

Wednesday 24 March: Class 1 / Year 2 - Palm Sunday, 2.30pm

Thursday 25 March: Class 2 - The Last Supper, 2.30pm

Friday 26 March: Class 3 - Good Friday, 2.30pm

Fr Jackson Award

This term's Fr Jackson Award will be presented on Friday 26 March at 9am. You are welcome to join us to celebrate this special assembly.

Happy Easter

On behalf of everyone in school I would like to wish you all a very happy and holy Easter. This is the most important time of the church's year and it would be nice if people could take a few moments to remember our Lord's Crucifixion and Resurrection.

Easter Celebrations in St Patrick's and St Helen's

Sunday 28th March: Palm Sunday Mass - St Patrick's, 10.30am

Thursday 1st April: Mass of the Last Supper - St Helen's, 7.30pm

Friday 2nd April: Walk of Witness from the Methodist Church, Waterslack Road, to All Saints via St Patrick's, 1.00pm

Passion of Our Lord - St Patrick's, 3.00pm

Saturday 3rd April: Easter Vigil Mass - St Helen's, 8.00pm

Sunday 4th April: Easter Sunday Mass, St Patrick's, 10.30am

Back to school

Please remember that the children break up this Friday, 26 March and that they will return to school on Monday 12 April.