

Dear Parents and Carers,

ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT

We had a lovely service on Ash Wednesday at St Bartholomew's Church. The children behaved very reverently and they have also learnt about the significance of Ash Wednesday and Lent in lessons. Each week, they will attend a Lenten assembly led by our Chaplaincy Team. They have focused on the message of Lent as a time of preparation where we **PRAY** more, **GIVE** more and **HELP** more. (Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving). The children have also all made Lenten promises. Why not speak to them about their promises and encourage them to keep them this Lent.

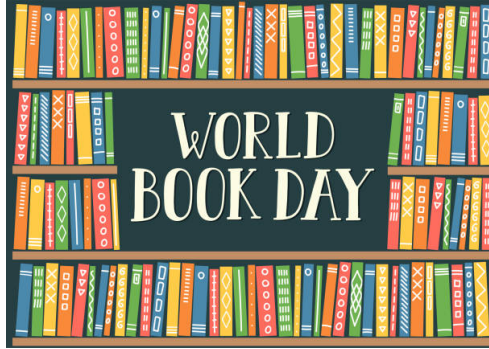
Hopefully, we will have a few more signed up to join me in doing the Big Lent Walk in support of CAFOD. If not, any sponsorship would be appreciated. Go to the website if you wish to sign up and join St Adrian's Catholic Primary School or, you can follow the link to my page to donate.

<https://cafod.org.uk/fundraise/big-lent-walk>

<https://cafod.enthuse.com/pf/aideen-porter>

WORLD BOOK DAY

Just a reminder, we will celebrate World Book Day on **Friday 3rd March**. As always, the children are not required to dress up but they may do so if they wish. Please read the information leaflet I sent out yesterday.



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Please click on the link to the website to see the wonderful work that took place before the half term. The children all had a great time as the presentation shows. The school also raised **£115.32** from 'Express Yourself Day', to go towards Place2Be - the mental health charity - so thank you!

<https://stadrians.herts.sch.uk/well-being/>

PTA DATES AND NEWS

Don't forget these dates for your diary!

24th February	Quiz Night
3rd March	PTA Book Sale to celebrate World Book Day
31st March	Easter Trail
12th May	Family Bingo
23rd May	Sponsored Bounce
1st July	Summer BBQ and Inflatables

World Book Day - Book Sale. Got books to spare? Why not donate them to our PTA Book Sale. Please drop off at the school hall next Friday morning and we can sort them out for our sale after school on March 3rd - to coincide with St Adrians celebrating World Book Day. Good condition only and must be suitable for primary school age children.

Thank you for all of the Smarties tubes which have been returned already, as well as donations into the PTA account. Please get your donations in by the end of next week so we can announce which year group has raised the most money!!

Congratulations to this months 50 Club winners!!

1st prize of £100 - Emma Smith
2nd prize of £50 - Julia Miller
3rd prize of £25 - Ania Papa

Thank you.
The PTA

ST BART'S FOOD PANTRY

Please visit the St Bart's food pantry and help yourselves if you or anyone you know could benefit from using any of the food items available. The pantry is located on a table in the front porch of the church. The church is open during weekend masses (6pm Saturday and 8.30am and 10.30am Sunday) and after morning mass until 5pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Also, if you have any food you wish to donate (such as canned food, long life milk, etc) they would be most welcome. Please just leave them on the table in the porch.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Thank you again for your continued support for your child's development. It is so important that we have a very open and honest dialogue between the home and school so we can best support your children. We had another very successful parents' consultation last night with more meetings to follow next week. Thank you for all the positive comments and support and also thank you to the teachers for all their hard work and dedication.

Congratulations to St Luke !!!!

HOUSE POINTS- The points this week are as follows:

St Luke = 392

St Mark = 385

St John = 301

St Matthew = 244

Headteacher's Awards

This week's awards go to:

Year 6: Tatenda Bazaya and Leonardo Roddam.

Year 5: Ailbhe Hanbury and Jess Barrett

Year 4: Christopher and Neve Vlijter

Year 3: Theresa O'Connor and Scarlett Smith

Year 2: Alby Moorat and Arthur Bell

Year 1: Orlaith Connolly and Stefan Klusca

Reception: Mohammed Khan and Vivianna Keane

Have a great weekend and I hope to see many of you at the quiz tonight!

Many thanks,

Mrs Porter