

St Adrian's Weekly Bulletin- Friday 8th March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

WORLD BOOK DAY FUN

We had a wonderful assembly yesterday morning where we listened to a story, sang a World Book Day song and looked at all the wonderful costumes the children had made. We even had a special guest...Belle from 'Beauty and the Beast' gave a wonderful rendition of the famous song 'Tale as old as Time'. The fun and learning didn't stop there. The children all took part in various activities during the day and took the time to just read and enjoy a good book. As always, please visit the blogs under the pupil pages on the website to see all the wonderful work that took place this week.

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BIRTHDAY BOOKS

As part of celebrating our joy of reading and promoting our healthy school, we ask that when a child celebrates their birthday they don't bring in sweets but rather, they can donate a book to the school library. There will be a lovely book plate stuck into the book (see below) acknowledging the child's birthday. It is a great way to share the child's favourite book with their friends and also keep the library stocks up. If you would like to donate a birthday book, fiction or nonfiction, you are welcome to send in your child's favourite book or alternatively, please go to the class blogs where there is a list of 50 recommended books that you could choose from for the year group. Your support in this would be greatly appreciated.



MOTHERS' DAY

Today, we had the joy of celebrating all our mothers, grandmothers and special people in our lives. The children all performed beautifully. I am sure there were a few tears in eyes and lumps in throats. Wishing all the mums a special day on Sunday. Children, make sure you spoil your mums as they are worth it!!! We also think about all those mums who are no longer with us, those people who wish to be mums and those mums who have lost a child. I am sure that Mothers' Day may be difficult for some. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all as you celebrate or reflect on this special day.



THANK YOU TO MISS CARTWRIGHT

Congratulations to Miss Cartwright who has successfully completed her sports apprenticeship here in St Adrian's after 18 months of hard work. We are very grateful to her for everything she had brought to the school, not least achieving the 'School Games Mark' gold award last year. She has coached and trained all the children across the school and has led the netball team, football teams, hockey and athletics teams to great success over the last year and a half, but sadly, the time has come for her to move on.

Miss Cartwright has written a special message for you all.

"I have made the very difficult decision to leave St Adrian's after the Easter holidays. I have been given the fantastic opportunity to further my sports studies at Brunel University alongside playing rugby full time. I have loved every minute here at St Adrian's and I cannot thank everybody enough for their help throughout my apprenticeship. I hope the children continue their love for sport, as so many have great potential!"

We wish Miss Cartwright all the very best for the future. I am sure she will achieve a great many things.

I am currently in the process of recruiting another apprentice that will also have the opportunity to grow and thrive here at St Adrian's, just like Miss Cartwright. All being well, I hope to have a new apprentice starting after the Easter holidays to continue the excellent work of Miss Cartwright.

EASTER ART COMPETITION

The children in the Chaplaincy Team have been around to all the classes and explained the Easter art competition they will be judging. See the flyer attached details. **The deadline will be Monday 25th March.**

Upcoming Lent and Easter events- March 2024

Monday 11th March

Year 5 Class Mass (Children only) **Postponed. Fr Francis is unable to attend.**

Friday 15th March @ 9.05am

Year 1 Class assembly - Parents welcome to attend

Tuesday 19th March

Reconciliation service for Years 1-6 (Children only- Year 4-6 will stay after a short reflection to share their confessions to Fr Francis and Fr Michael)

Monday 25th March @ 9.15am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for Year 1 and 2 led by Fr. Francis - Parents welcome to attend.

Remember, Monday 25th March is the deadline for the Easter Art Competition.

Tuesday 26th March @ 9.05 am

The Stations of the Cross and the Easter Story

The Chaplaincy Team and some other members of Year 6 and Year 2 will lead us in a time of reflection as we think about the sacrifice Jesus made for us all. They will take us through the Easter story from Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday. Please join us for this special time of prayer and reflection.

Wednesday 27th March 2024 - 9.00am

Easter Parade and Easter Art Winners announced

All children and parents are invited to come to watch the Nursery and Reception children parade their wonderful Easter bonnets, look at all the fantastic Easter gardens the children from KS1 will have made and see the amazing artwork created by KS2 as well as be entertained by our fantastic school choir. The prizes winners of the Easter art competition will be announced and all children will receive a little Easter treat.

Don't forget, the children can come to school dressed in bright colours to celebrate the joy of Easter.

LENTEN FUNDRAISING

Catholic Children's Society

This year, we will be collecting for the Catholic Children's Society once again. As part of our Lenten appeal, we will shortly be sending home collection boxes on Monday to support the Catholic Children's Society Lenten Appeal.

On **Wednesday 27th March**, as part of the appeal, we will hold a non uniform day. We ask that the children come into school in bright colours to celebrate the joy of new life in Christ. (Please do not feel obliged to buy anything new) They can pay a £1 donation and we will also gather in the collection boxes.

PTA Events

Quiz Night

Keep **Friday 22nd March** free in your diaries, the PTA quiz night is back! We have some new quiz masters this year who are eager to test your knowledge. Always set to be a fun night, welcome to bring friends and family along!

Break the rules day will be postponed until Friday 17th May 2024

HOUSE POINT WINNERS THIS WEEK ARE.....

CONGRATULATIONS TO: St Matthew

St Matthew =299

St John = 167

St Mark = 144

St Luke = 136

AWARDS THIS WEEK ARE

Class	Headteacher's Award	Star Writer Award
Reception	Clodagh Donnellan	Elle Nagum
Year 1	Barnaby Dodd	Ailish McGrath
Year 2	Noah Domingos	Alfie Rowsell
Year 3	Matilda Kuszewski	Adhvik Justin
Year 4	Teddy Carroll	Henry Horwood
Year 5	Annabelle Wilson	Annabelle Wilson
Year 6	Rukksika Murukathan	Beth Horwood

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- Monday 11th March - @ 3.30pm Girls' football away v St John Fisher
- Tuesday 12th March - @ 3.30pm Girls' football away v St Alban and St Stephen
- Thursday 14th March - A selection of Yr 5 and 6 - Hockey Tournament 8.30am - 12.00pm
- Friday 15th March @ 9.05am - Year 1 Class Assembly - Parents Welcome

Have a wonderful weekend and Happy Mothers' Day to all those special mums out there.

Many thanks,

Mrs Porter