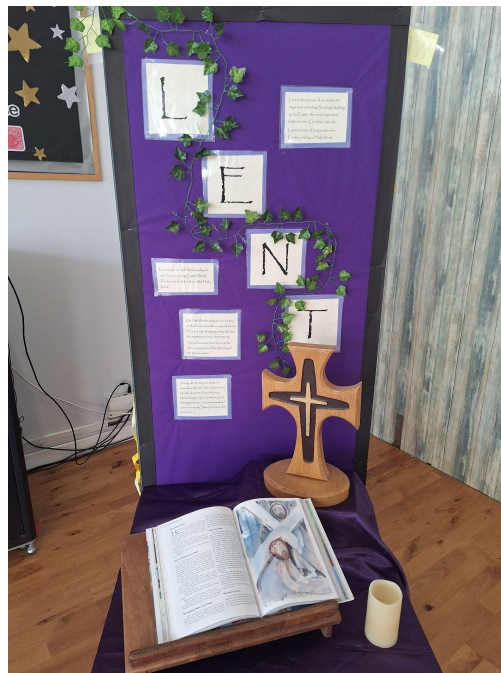


ASH WEDNESDAY MASS - Wednesday 5th March

It was wonderful to celebrate Ash Wednesday with Fr John and the parishioners of St Barts this week. The Caritas Ambassadors read well and everyone sang so beautifully. Our altar servers - Bella, Aila and Pauric also did a great job.

We all took the time to reflect and think about our Lenten promises as we begin this season of preparation for Easter. Thank you to Mrs Maureen Kelly who took time out of her day last week to practise the hymns with the children.

Once we returned to school, I spoke with Nursery, Reception and Year 1 and explained why Ash Wednesday is so special and we thought about how we could stay close to God during this season of Lent. The younger children listened and behaved so respectfully as they received their ashes. Well done to all.



WORLD BOOK DAY

The school was awash with colour and characters yesterday as St Adrian's celebrated World Book Day. The children enjoyed a day of book related and story activities and just took the time to enjoy some peace and quiet reading. As always, the costumes did not disappoint. Visit the class blogs where you will see some of the activities the children got up to.



RECEPTION TRIP TO THE ALBAN ARENA

On Tuesday, the children in Reception had an exciting trip to the Alban Arena to watch 'Pirates Love Underpants'. They all behaved so well and Mrs Solakova said they all had a great time.



PTA UPDATE

Many thanks to the PTA who organised the Wonka Bar stalls at the end of Thursday 6th and the Book Quiz.

The winners of the World Book Day quiz were:

EYFS: Erica Keane

Years 1& 2: Alannah Carey

Years 3&4: Aoife Byrne

Years 5&6: Alessia Donnellan

FOOTBALL MATCH REPORT By Pauric Donnellan, Alex Bliss and Kane Hodgman

On Thursday, we hosted a match and played Sandridge. We won 2-1 with Vincent scoring both goals. In the first half our defensive side was intercepting nearly every ball. However, our attack was lacking, missing 5 or 6 shots. But we turned this around, after an intense team talk.

In the second half, we started off well with Vincent scoring on his weak foot in the top corner. But soon after, the defence was broken down and we conceded a goal. After that, we were back on form getting shots off left, right and center and it wasn't long until Vincent struck again from a corner.

With our heads up, Aiden Di Maio shot with a halfway line freekick leaving the crossbar shaking. For the rest of the game neither we or them conceded leaving us with a 2-1 win against Sandridge.

Alex Bliss was Man of the Match



FUNFEST HOLIDAY CLUB

Funfest Holiday Club will run again over the Easter holidays at St Adrian's from 7th-17th April. Please see details on the flyer attached to the newsletter.

THE GREAT BRITISH JUNIOR BAKE OFF

I have been contacted by the Junior Bake off asking if we have any budding bakers in our school. See the message below.

My name is Kate. I'm a Series Producer at Love Productions; the production company behind The Great British Bake Off.

We have recently opened applications for the 11th series of Junior Bake Off; a Channel 4 programme that celebrates the culinary talent and ambition of the younger generation in Britain.

With this in mind, we are contacting schools in the hope that you can help us spread the word regarding this exciting opportunity to students.

Interested bakers can apply online at -

www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk

We have attached a flyer in case you would like to pop these up on your communal notice boards. Alternatively, if you could feature the flyer in any of your newsletters/social media, or even circulate the news internally, it would be really appreciated!

***We are looking for young budding bakers between
9-15 years old.***

Filming would take place from July 2025, but our applications close on Sunday 23rd March 2025. Please do feel free to contact us on 0207 067 4833, should you have any questions regarding the above.

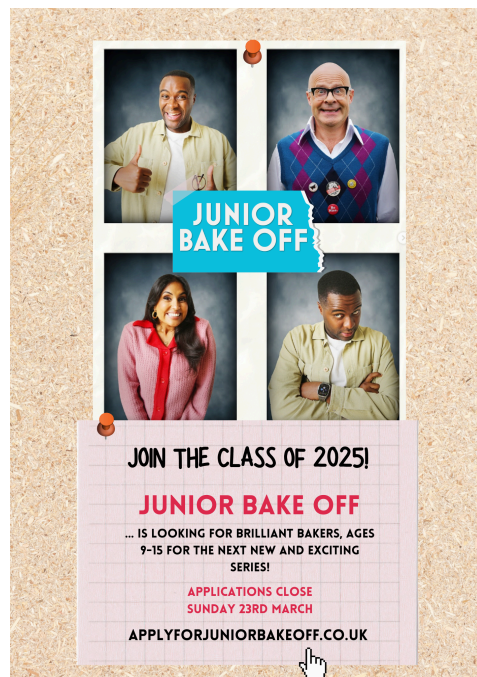
Thank you so much for all of your help in advance!

Best wishes,

The Junior Bake Off Team

enquiries:

applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk



TISSUES PLEASE!!!

There are lots of sniffles and colds going around so please could we have some boxes of tissues donated to the classes. They would be very much appreciated. Many thanks.

PARKING

Whilst we appreciate that it is difficult to find convenient parking spaces when dropping off and collecting your children, please can we remind you to park safely around the school and with consideration for the local residents. Please do not park in the disabled bays as these are used by the residents who need them.

CATHOLIC LIFE

WEDNESDAY WORD

The Wednesday Word is a gift to families because of their connection with a Catholic school.

Every Wednesday a 'word', inspired by the coming Sunday's Gospel, will be suggested for families to talk about in the home. The *Wednesday Word* Family Time leaflet presents an opportunity for even the busiest of parents to enrich relationships with their children through spending a very special 10 minutes together each week.

Follow the link to find this week's Wednesday Word: <https://wednesdayword.org/home/index.htm>

MARK 10 MISSION

Please follow the link for this week's Mark 10 Mission for you to share with the children. The Little Liturgies videos are age appropriate. <https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/the-little-liturgies>

WELL DONE TO OUR WINNERS!!!

AWARDS THIS WEEK ARE

HOUSE POINTS - CONGRATULATIONS ST MARK!!

St Mark = 262

St Matthew = 255

St John = 247

St Luke = 164

Class	Class awards	
Reception	Rhea Irani -	Erica Keane
Year 1	Clodagh Donellan	Ella Rose Daniels
Year 2	Duru Olkun.	Mahdi Khan
Year 3	Dollcie anna Mongan	Sofia Lupu
Year 4	Evie Thorley	Brianna Carey
Year 5	Alessia Donnellan	Gianluigi Barletta
Year 6	Austin McAuliffe	Neve Vlijter.

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- Thursday 13th March - Some pupils from Year 5 and 6 Hockey Tournament at Oaklands
- Friday 14th March - Nursery place allocations announced
- Friday 14th March - 9.00am - Year 1 celebration assembly
- Friday 14th March - After school - Year 1 cake sale

Have a great weekend.

Many thanks,

Mrs Porter