



St Michael's RC Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Loving



Valuing



Respecting

Friday 15th March 2019

Dear Parents,

Our first School Value to focus on during this month of March is **KINDNESS**. *In the words of Pope Francis he reminds us to, 'Help one another, this is what Jesus teaches us, this is what I do, and I do it with my heart.'*

The Head Teachers award this week goes to **Jack in Year 2** who has displayed acts of considerable kindness towards other children in the school playground and within his class. We now have three Kindness Monitors in school who are looking out for children who show this in their words and actions.

Well done to all those who have been chosen by the Lunchtime staff. The genuine acts of kindness have been noted by all of our team and have been celebrated too.

Lenten Masses

During Lent there will be Lenten masses at 8.15am on Wednesday 20th, 27th of March, 3rd April and 10th April.

Thank you to all those who attended the first Lenten Mass on Wednesday, it was lovely to see the children leading the prayers during the service and supporting with the Offertory.

Nursery and Reception joined Fr Steven today at Church, the children sang beautifully and shared a very special prayer written by Preston in Reception.

'In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit Amen. God our Father I come to say I want you near me always for all I do and say.'

Mini-Vinnies

The Mini-Vinnies would like to thank everyone who has bought a Red Nose Badge this week.

Introducing the CAFOD Recycling Project

On Friday 22nd March at 10am we will be joining forces with the Parish and any parents/carers from school who would like to be involved in the CAFOD project involving the making of 'eco-bricks'. This project aims to reduce plastic that cannot be recycled. Some plastic can be recycled but single-use plastic is destroying life on the planet. To make an eco-brick,

NEWS

Pupil of the week – Well done!

- R: **Lexi T** Lovely writing & sounding out
Y1: **Savannah M** for brilliant work on Spring
Y2: **Violet W** for trying hard to improve her handwriting
Y3: **Ayesha O** for being such a kind, polite helpful member of our class
Y4: **Ciara P** for amazing swimming skills
Y5: **Cieran W** showing resilience in maths work
Y6: **Deborah V** for great spelling & grammar

Lunchtime Superstars – Well done!

- N- **Lillie G**
R- **Georgia H**
Y1- **Blake S**
Y2- **Joshua P**
Y3- **Lucia H**
Y4- **Christian B**
Y5- **Philip L**
Y6- **Heather W**

Homework Club Monday
3.15 – 4.15pm

After-school Sports

- Tu Y5/6 Multi sports
Th Y1/2 Multi sports

Mad Science
We 20th March week 8 of 10

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- Mo 18th Y4 Swimming prog continues
Tu 19th Girls football at home 3.15-4.15pm
Tu 19th Parents' evening 3.30-6.30pm
We 20th Lenten Mass 8.15am
Th 21st Y5 Tree Planting at Boz Park
Fri 22nd Class & Team Photos
Fr 22nd Y1 and Y4 Mass 10am

clean dry single-use plastic is pushed into a bottle e.g 2 litre lemonade bottle and compressed until it weighs approximately 660grams. Please come and join us!

Sacramental Programme

A reminder that our Year 3 children will join together to receive their Sacrament of Reconciliation, in a special service that will take place this coming **Wednesday 20th March at 6.30pm** at St Michael's Church.

Our Year 6 children will have received a letter today from the Diocese regarding the arrangements for Confirmation when the children are in Year 8.

Science Week

All classes have researched a Scientist this week and have also carried out investigations.

Sienna in Year 3 explained how she mixed primary colours to make secondary colours, 'I enjoyed how the colours joined together'. Year 4 organised a boat and soap experiment to find out if it would drift across, the result was that it moved slowly. The children across school enjoyed dissolving Gingerbread men and discovered some amazing new facts about materials.

Year 6

Our Year 6 children attended Crucial Crew this week – the children's behaviour was exemplary and the activities involved key life skills that will help prepare the children for the next stage in the learning experience. Well done!

Year 5 – Tree Planting

On Thursday 21st March Year 5 will be involved in a Tree Planting project run by City of Trees. The children will learn about the importance of trees, using planting tools safely and how to plant saplings. They can then plant trees to their hearts content. A reminder that the children need to bring wellies/boots.

Junior Language Challenge

A letter has been shared today to all our Junior classes from Mrs Birtwistle, the French teacher. Please can all those children signing up to the challenge reply by March 22nd.

Spring Parents' Evening

The Spring term Parents' Evening will take place this **Tuesday 19th March at 3.30-6.30pm**. As with previous years we will be using the parents' evening booking system. There have been a few reports of parents being unable to log in/not being recognised. If you have any problems logging in, please call the office, we will be happy to book the appointment for you. Please also accept our apologies for any inconvenience caused. <https://stmichaelsrcp.parenteveningsystem.co.uk/>

Attendance

The whole school attendance for this week is 95.39%. Year 4 has the highest again with 99%!! Well done Year 4!

Always Green Children

Our *Always Green* children, including those who work really hard with a positive attitude to learning, will be nominated by their class teacher each week to share a hot chocolate treat/drink with Mrs Bowes. This week we welcome the following children:

Nursery: Jordan

Reception: Amelia

Year 1: Charlie F

Year 2: Joshua P

Year 3: Michelle U

Year 4: Tristan T

Year 5: Caitlyn S

Year 6: Seren L

PTA

The PTA would like to recruit new members, if you would like to be part of the team please let the school office know, as the existing members are very keen to organise events for the children and families of St Michael's. There will be a meeting held in the next two weeks – please look out for messages on Parent Hub regarding the date and time.

School office reminder

Can we remind all parents and carers to **notify the office** of any absences, including medical appointments or sickness. Please call in at the beginning of the day, email or phone to instruct the office team of your child's absence. In addition, parents/carers must provide proof of any medical appointments so that those absences are marked as authorised.

Class & Team Photos

The photographer will be in school on Friday 22nd to take the annual Class and Team photographs. Please can you ensure your child comes to school in full school uniform. This includes a St. Michael's Sweatshirt/Cardigan, grey trousers/skirt and black shoes.

Thank you for your co-operation

Mrs Bowes