



HEADLINES

MARCH	
14 th	Y3/Y2 Family Parish Mass @ 6pm St Patrick's Day Tea Party @ Church 12 - 4pm Mini vinnies to support if available (anytime during the day).
16 th	Y5/Y6 Enrichment Day 9am Kids Village Assembly for Whole School Zoom Year 6 parents re transition 847 7799 8830 Passcode 872919
17 th	Year 3 & 4 multi Skills @ manor Farm 9.30-11am Year 5/6 Girls Football @ Streetly 4-5.15pm Y5/Y6 Enrichment Day Y3/Y4 Enrichment Day 3:30-5:00pm Brick Church @ All Saints Church Streetly to include food - details sent via Arbor.
18 th	Y2 Mass @ School 9am
19 th	IRock Concert @ 9:15am Lichfield Gotta Dance Y4 @ 7pm
20 th	Stay & Pray 15 mins at 9am and then Big Lent Walk for CAFOD around the field, parents can join us. CAFOD Charity fundraiser payment can be made via Arbor. Lenten MUFTI for Kids Village £1 minimum donation
21 st	Y4/Y1 Family Parish Mass @ 6pm
23 rd	Y1/Y2 Enrichment Day Birds of Prey Visit
24 th	Whole School Lenten Retreat with Dan & Emily One Life Music.
25 th	Whole School Mass @ Church 10am (normal arrival times for school) 6pm Y4 Easter Reflection in Church
26 th	Celebration Assembly @ 9am with Stay & pray stations of the Cross - PJs and Crazy Hair Day For Lenten Charities. Parent Teacher Meetings @ 1:30pm 1-3pm Football Tournament @ Millfield
27 th	INSET
APRIL	
13 th	Return to school - school opens @ 8:30am
16 th	Whole Class Photos for Nursery, Reception and Y6
21 st	Eco Council to Walsall Town Hall
22 nd	Parent Workshops Online Safety - details to follow
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24 th	Y5 @ Oscott Laudate Si EYFS Parent Reading Workshop @ 2:30pm

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The word is **Healing**. In our world today, we pray for healing in all countries throughout the globe.

Wednesday 18th March Y2 Mass in school @ 9am all welcome.

Headteacher Message



What a great week we've had in school, Miss Jones organised some informative science workshops and the children really enjoyed enriching their science knowledge.

On Thursday Sohan, came to school and it was a fantastic opportunity to learn some Bhangra Dancing. We started with a whole school assembly, followed by workshops for every class - the children loved it.

It is so important that our children have these enhancing and enriching opportunities. We must be the beacons of light and hope for a society built on mutual respect and tolerance, if we are really to live out the Gospel values.

Thank you to our PTA and the volunteers who came into school this week, helped the children to select gifts and wrap them beautifully for a special weekend surprise. The children love visiting the shop - so thank you for giving your time to do this. Wishing all of you a wonderful Mothering Sunday.

Year 3 and Year 2 Father Gwil is looking forward to seeing you at Mass on Saturday.

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Nursery This week our book has been *Follow Me in the Deep Blue Sea!* We talked about different sea animals, especially sharks. The children shared their ideas about what sharks look like and used some fantastic descriptive language to describe them. I was very impressed with the vocabulary they used. The children also created their own sharks. They carefully thought about the features sharks have. We saw lots of creativity and some very fierce-looking sharks! Please ensure that forest school suits are checked and washed regularly. The children have lots of fun exploring in the mud and water during our sessions!

Mr Johnston Mrs Lingwood and the Nursery Team

Reception What a wonderful Science Week we've had. The children enjoyed investigating floating and sinking & magnetism to be scientists themselves. Their scientific language is definitely growing. The children are really getting fully involved to find out about the world around us and can often talk about what they see happening and say why or how. We've also been busy doing special things for our mums. We hope you love what your child has made for you. Happy Mother's Day to you all!

Mrs Turley and the early years team.

Year 1. What a wonderful Science week we have had this week. We started our week with a visit from Severn Trent water. Can your child tell you anything about the water cycle or how they can save water? They have enjoyed watching the Big Farming question and learning about sheep dogs was especially fun to see! What did your child learn during these activities? The Bhangra dancing also added some great excitement to our week! Can your child remember any of their dance moves?

Mrs McCabe

Year 2 We had a great start to our week with our enrichment day making robot structures! You all listened well, produced some great designs and enjoyed exploring the different techniques to join materials together. It was great to see so many of you being active during our CO₂ Science workshop and you could all share important facts that you learnt to keep you and your families safe. On Thursday, you had lots of fun in your Bhangra workshop and showed great appreciation of the style of dance. Don't forget it is our Year 2/3 Family Mass on Saturday if you can join us. Enjoy your weekend!

Miss Regan

Year 3 Wow what a busy week in Year 3. We enjoyed science week and have learnt a lot about saving water and the importance of this. Our Bhangra workshop was great and we were all fantastic at learning new steps to complete a sequence. This Saturday, we look forward to our family Mass. Next week, we have enrichment day where we will continue to make and taste healthy snacks and we also have a library visit on Wednesday. Enjoy a restful weekend.

Mrs Robinson and Mr Johnston

Year 4 We've had a fun week in Year 4 with lots of exciting assemblies and workshops. As part of our Science Week work, Andy from Severn Trent Water came into school to deliver our water workshop. We had a great time measuring different amounts of water to see which family in 'Water Street' was the best at water saving! He was really impressed with your behaviour and science knowledge so well done everybody. On Thursday we were very excited to take part in our Bhangra workshop with Sohan. We learnt how to use some of the steps he showed us in a mirrored performance with a partner. Have a great weekend and enjoy a lovely Mother's Day on Sunday!

Miss Jones

Year 5 Another great week Year 5! Your two dances (for Tori on Tuesday and Mrs Swan on Wednesday) are really coming on well! You got the most out of the CO Workshop on Wednesday - make sure you tell an adult at home about what you have learnt. I have been blown away by the quality of your Mayan topic homework - I am going to find the judging very difficult again! We have Enrichment Days on Monday and Tuesday when we will be doing some cookery - I am sure we will have lots of fun. Have a great weekend - please remember to practise your spellings as they are tricky homophones this week.

Mr Caddick

Year 6 A very busy and impressive assessment week Year 6 - you have all attached the tests and now just need to continue to learn grammar and maths facts to do even better in May. We have also been busy with science week, learning about classification using the Linnaeus system and using Latin names. I particularly enjoyed reading and marking your 'what are microorganisms?' Posters - very colourful and informative. Next week is enrichment and we start our Holy Week journey.

Miss Keedwell

Headteacher Awards

Nursery:	Milo D & Ivy
Reception:	Reuben & Dougie
Year 1:	Rocky & Lara
Year 2:	George & Aoife
Year 3:	Conor & Keira
Year 4:	Ronnie & Ruairi
Year 5:	Joseph & James
Year 6:	Jude & Isla



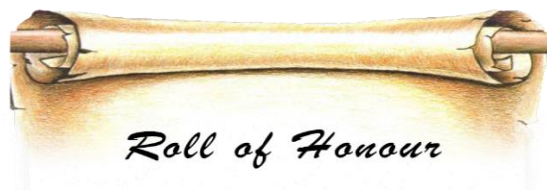
Rock Legend - Finley
Rock Hero - Matilda & Sienna
Well done and keep practising.

World Book Day winning Costumes

Nursery:	Ada & Louis-George
Reception:	Nelly, Bobby & Isaac
Year 1:	Eloise & Cillian
Year 2:	Aoife & Orla
Year 3:	Amelie & Ruby
Year 4:	Aluna & Florence
Year 5:	Skyler & Charlie
Year 6:	Jenson

Learn Its - movers Congratulations to those children who have moved this week.

Year 1:	Dexter, Ella L & Elijah
Year 2:	Rory & Mia
Year 3:	Rogan, Archie, Evie, Isla, Daria, Rupert, Alfie, Conor & Ben
Year 4:	None this week



Sporting Achievements this year.

Don't forget to tell us about your out of school achievements. Email Mrs Baynham-Hughes on

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Year Group	Achievement
Nursery	Sienna completed her 15mtr swimming badge
Reception	Kasper earned his purple with white stripe karate belt
Y1	Ella moved up a belt on karate
Y1	Charlie passed his first grading in karate
Y1	Hudson achieved his red belt on karate
Y1	Maisie completed her gymnastics routine for Keeling School of Dance
Y3	Teddy won MJPL football trophy. Good luck on this week's final.
Y3	Reuben was voted parents and managers player for Ace Atalanta and as a result, was asked to play against West Brom Academy.
Y4	Florence earned her indigo medal @ NBC and a distinction in her Tap exam
Y4	Henry earned his red belt with white stripe on karate
Y4	Honor scored two goals in an 8-0 won for Ace Miami
Y4	Lola B scored two goals for Burntwood Phoenix and was awarded parents player
Y5	Emily achieved her bronze award from the National Lifeguard Training Programme

Sportsmanship Award – Year 5 girls for continuing to participate on football and showcasing some really good skills - keep it up girls.



Winning all three cricket games with lots of enthusiasm and enjoyment!

This half term our Catholic Social Teaching is being peacemakers.



Being peacemakers

Promoting Peace

Daisy the dove's story



Daisy lives in a tough neighbourhood where some of the animals try to use their size to bully others.

She is not afraid to be a peacemaker and remind others to be caring and kind. Every day she sings a beautiful tune to keep everyone calm and speaks kind words to all around her to build up their self-esteem.

Some days are harder than others and more challenging. However, she knows it is important to keep working for a world full of peace.

Daisy's story reminds us that it is important to keep working to build a more peaceful world.

Human Dignity Prayer

Loving God and Father of all, help us to remember that all your children are made in your image and likeness; equally precious and equally loved by you. Help us to recognise the dignity of everyone, and to show respect and care for ourselves and for others, as your Son, Jesus, taught us to do. We make this prayer through Christ, Our Lord.

Amen



Building the Kingdom

Our next project (over Lent) is to create our Salvadorian Crosses, more details will follow after half term on these and parents you will get to see them when you attend Parent/Teacher meetings in March.



Livesimply

Thank you for your support

This week's suggestion: Please turn the tap off when you are brushing your teeth. This will save on average 10 litres of water per person. What a difference this could make.

This Lent you can continue to help us with our CAFOD Live Simply Pledge by supporting and joining us on our Big Lent Walk. The walk will start (@ 9:15am) after our Stay & Pray on Friday 20th March and will last approx. 1 hour (this maybe less for younger pupils). Our children tell us that they love having parents and family come into school, so please join us if you can. There is a donation page open on Arbor for you to contribute to the valuable work of CAFOD (as one of our Lenten charities) alternatively please put money in a clearly labelled envelope. On behalf of CAFOD thank you for your support.

"You shall love your neighbour as yourself." Mark 12:3

What's your favourite bible verse? Father Johanes Zevito, director of Caritas Chinhoyi in Zimbabwe, has a ready reply for this question, pointing to the vital teaching we hear in today's gospel: "*You shall love your neighbour as yourself.*" As he explains:

"I like this passage because it shows that we are responsible for the welfare of the other. No one wants to hurt themselves. No one wants to sleep without anything that they have taken as food. No one wants to fail to have access to clean water. No one wants to fail to have access to food. So when you love yourself, you love your neighbour the way you love yourself... each and every human being is important; whatever I need, my brother, my sister also need the same."

For Fr Johanes, Jesus's great command is a motivation and guide for his work in Rushinga. This is one of the most vulnerable districts of Zimbabwe, prone to drought and facing additional challenges due to healthcare shortages and high rates of gender-based violence. In such conditions, neighbours really need to be able to depend on one another.

May this verse also inspire each of us to show love to all our global neighbours.

God of all people,
help us to live faithfully,
growing in love for you
and our neighbours,
both near and far.
Amen