



Guardian Angels Catholic Primary School

Newsletter No. 24

Friday 15th March 2019

Guided by the teachings of the Church we pray, work, celebrate, and care for each other and other people using the gifts we have been given by God the Father, Son and Spirit.

This half term's virtues are:

Learned	and	Wise
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Dates for your diary

Monday 18 th March	2:40pm	Star pupil/Virtues assembly (for selected pupils only)
Tuesday 19 th March	1:45-3:15pm	Timetable workshop for Year 3 Parents
Thursday 21 st March	8:10-8:30 am 9:15am 3:00-3:15pm	SATs workshop for Year 2 parents Mass- led by Y6 (all invited) SATs workshop for Year 2 parents
Friday 22 nd March	11:00am	3G – Last day swimming

Invitation to Mass

All are welcome to join us on Tuesday 18th March 2019 at 9:15am for our school Mass, which will be led by Year 6 (all invited to attend).

All families are invited to family Mass on the first Sunday of each month at The Mother of God and Guardian Angels Church:

Sunday 7th April 2019 at 9.45am.

Please join the FIA (Faith In Action) for tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits which will be served in the porch following Mass. We hope to see you there!



Mass

Well done to EYFS and Year 1 who led Mass this week. It was wonderful to see some of our youngest children reading so clearly and with confidence. Thank you to all the staff for preparing this wonderful whole school celebration.

Parent's Evening

Thank you to all of the parents who attended Parent's Evening on Thursday. It was fantastic to see so many of you there and hear the positive responses from the parents. If you have any further questions about your child's progress or any concerns, please feel free to contact the office to arrange a meeting with your child's class teacher.

3G Class Assembly

3G took us back in time to the Stone Age, where we were introduced to a stone aged family and they were compared to a modern day family. We were entertained by beautiful singing with great actions, drama and lots of interesting facts. Well done to all of 3G and Miss Gately!

Year 6 SATs Meeting

Year 6 SATs and Alton Castle workshop took place this week to inform parents about dates and times for SATs and give key information about the Alton Castle residential trip. If you were unable to attend the workshop, children have been sent home with a copy of the slide show. Any further questions or concerns, please contact Mr Johnson or Mr Spindlow.



Guided Reading Parent Questionnaire

Please take some time to visit our school website and complete our guided reading parent questionnaire. We really value parental feedback and use this to help make improvements to reading at school.

<http://www.grdangel.bham.sch.uk/>

Precious Lives Workshop

Year 6 were visited this week by a police officer to deliver the 'precious lives' workshop. This workshop gave the children the opportunity to learn and ask questions about knife crime and to understand the importance of staying away from gang culture. All of the Year 6 children were really engaged and asked some fantastic questions – well done!

Year 3 Timetable Workshop Invitation

All Year 3 parents are invited to a workshop to discuss the new timetable check being introduced by the government next year. The workshop will begin at 1.45pm and will include an overview of the new test being introduced for all Year 4 children as well as an introduction to the resources your child could use at home to ensure they know their tables fluently.

Easter Fundraising


During Lent and Easter, children throughout the school will be organising a range of events and activities to raise money for charities of their choice. All activities are priced at 20p each. The teachers and children have come up with a list of fantastic ideas to make this period a success. This includes our traditional Reception Bake Off, Guess the Teacher, cake sales and much more. If you have not received the flyer for these events, please contact the school office.

Pupil Places Available

We still have places available for pupils in our Year 2 and Year 3 classes. Please contact the office for more information.

Resources to Use At Home during Lent

POPE FRANCIS' MESSAGE FOR LENT



Each year, through Mother Church, God 'gives us this joyful season when we prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery with mind and heart renewed... as we recall the great events that gave us new life in Christ' (Preface of Lent I). We can thus journey from Easter to Easter towards the fulfilment of the salvation we have already received as a result of Christ's paschal mystery – 'for in hope we were saved' (Romans 8:24). This mystery of salvation, already at work in us during our earthly lives, is a dynamic process that also embraces history and all of creation. As Saint Paul says, 'the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God' (Romans 8:19). In this perspective, I would like to offer a few reflections to accompany our journey of conversion this coming Lent.

For the full message go to
<https://bit.ly/2SpbYm0>

Walk with Me Prayer

Lord God, our light and our salvation,
We praise you for your gifts of life and faith.

We thank you for the desire
that you have planted in our hearts,
our yearning to see your face.

Help us to meet you in prayer,
to walk in your ways,
and to speak to others of our joy
and consolation in your presence.

Give us faithfulness in the present life
so that we may come to know
and praise your beauty,
with all our brothers and sisters,
in the life to come.

We make this prayer through
Christ our Lord.
Amen

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?
In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.



SAFEGUARDING TIPS OF THE WEEK - Reminder

If you have any safeguarding concerns please speak to one of our DSLs. They are Mrs Milligan, Mr Spindlow, Mrs Tennant, Miss Foote, Miss Carroll and Miss Hickey.

E-SAFETY TIPS OF THE WEEK

A tip for twitter

- On the tweet, click on arrow at the top right of the tweet.
- From the drop down menu, you can choose to mute this user, block the user, or report the tweet.

BIRTHDAYS 2018/2019 - This week, we wished a 'happy birthday' to:

Ava (Rec), Inzwirashie (Y1), Kyle (3G), Lewis (Y5) and Harrison and Sophie (Y6)

Many Happy Returns!

THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE SHOWN THE VIRTUES OF ELOQUENT AND TRUTHFUL THIS WEEK ARE:

Olivia (Rec), Amelia (Y1), Logan (Y2), Thomas (3G), Tiffany-Rose (3H), Kai (Y4), Evie (Y4) and Emma (Y6)

These children will be given an award on Monday 18th March 2019 at 2:40pm. Please attend the assembly to support your child

ATTENDANCE FOR W/C 04-03-2019

WELL DONE YEAR 3G

Group	Attendance
Reception	96.6%
Y1	94.8%
Y2	99%
3H	98.2%
3G	100%
Y4	96%
Y5	97.3%
Y6	98%
Overall total	97.5%

STAR OF THE WEEK

We look forward to congratulating:

Group	Selected Pupils
Reception	Ava-Tia and Lucas
Year 1	Aiden and Isabella
Year 2	Finley and Lily
Year 3G	Oluwatoni and Maddison
Year 3H	Maisie and Julian
Year 4	Sienna and Dylan
Year 5	Sam and Jack
Year 6	Oskar and Lexi

Parents of the selected pupils are invited to attend the assembly on Monday 18th March 2019 at 2:40pm



**This is a Good School
OFSTED 2018**

God our Father, help us to see your Son in all people and to treat them as we would wish to be treated ourselves. Help us to listen and live our lives as you ask us to. Amen.

God Bless and we hope you have a good weekend!

Mrs H Milligan

Mr A Spindlow

