Headteacher's Weekly Briefing: 18/3/24

"Whoever serves me must follow me." John 12: 20 - 33 (5th Sunday of Lent)

Well done to St Teresa's class who had the best attendance last week - John Bear will be spending this week in their classroom!!

As we enter the fifth week of Lent, we are thinking about the word "Follow." We follow Jesus whenever we are kind, try to make peace, and make others feel welcome.

In the words of Pope Francis "To follow Jesus means to share his love with others."

We are also thinking about our school value Faithfulness ~ To show your faith in God and Jesus by the way you live and act towards each other.

This Sunday's Gospel reminds us that to follow Jesus we must be loving and selfless. Jesus gave his life so that we could have a full and everlasting life together. When we really know Jesus and how much he loves us, it's natural to want to follow him. By following Jesus, we too can help others to know and love God – to find the love, peace and joy which come from knowing and following him. By choosing to follow Jesus we can be certain that we will never go wrong

Well done to all our F2 and Pre School children who took part in their fundraising last week! Please could all sponsor money be in by this Friday lease – thank you

<u>Tickets for the Easter Sing-A-Long Afternoons</u>: Don't forget our Easter Sing-a-Long afternoons are taking place next week - tickets are on sale at the school office from today, - £2 a ticket. We need helpers for the different afternoons to help serve the teas/coffees – please let Mrs Lumb know if you can help.

This week:

Monday 18th March & Friday 22nd March - Y1/2 Easter Sing-a-Long Afternoons (1.45pm)

Wednesday 20th March - St Bernadette's (Mrs Webster) Assembly (Catholic Social Teaching) <u>9.00am</u> (only 2 per family please)

Tuesday 19th March & Thursday 21st March - F2 & Pre School Sing-a-Long Afternoons (1.45pm)

Sunday 24th March - PALM SUNDAY

Monday 25th March - HOLY WEEK

Tuesday 26th March – Mass for YEAR 1 & YEAR 2 at St John's Church (9am) - The children will need to be dropped off at church that morning. All parents/ families are welcome to join us for Mass. If any parents can help walk the children back to school after Mass, we would be very grateful. Thank you

Tuesday 26th March - **F2 and Pre School Holy Week Reflections** are taking place on this afternoon at 2.30pm, so don't forget to come along and join in with your children. St Teresa (Miss Sharkey) and St Valentine (Pre School) will take place in their own classrooms, so just come round to their classroom doors. St Francis (Mrs Moseley) will take place in the hall so please come in through the main entrance. The children will be delighted to have you join in with them.

Thursday 28th March – Finish for Easter Holiday - <u>Children can be picked up from **1.30pm**</u>. The after school club will still be available until 5.30pm as usual for any parents that have booked into it.

Have a great week

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