

Headteacher's Weekly Briefing: 25/3/24

“Hosanna, Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna! Hosanna!” Matthew. (21:1-3.6-9)

Well done to St Andrew's class who had the best attendance last week. John Bear will be spending this week in their classroom where I am sure he will have a great time!

Thank you once again for your generosity during our Lenten Fundraising. Across the school we have collected an astonishing £1700 – an absolutely amazing achievement and so very kind of you all. This will be split between both of our special charities: [The Good Shepherd](#) and [Mission Together](#)

Pre School September 2024 If your child will be 3 years of age by 31st August 2024, you can apply for a place at Pre School for September 2024. If you would like any further information or would like to collect an application pack, please call into Pre School.

Holy Week - As you all know, this week is Holy Week and the children are celebrating this with a wonderful Palm Sunday Assembly led by St Teresa's class today. This is the week when the Church especially remembers Jesus' final days in Jerusalem. We receive palms in Church to remember the welcome and great praise that the people gave to Jesus when he entered the City. **Holy Week** is a special time and throughout the next few days in school the children will be provided with a range of different opportunities to explore the Easter Story in more detail: Palm Sunday, the celebration of the Last Supper, the washing of the feet, the agony in the garden, Jesus' arrest, crucifixion and his resurrection.

Pope Francis tells us: **“To experience Holy Week is to enter more and more into God's love and self-giving.”**

During this week, we are also thinking about our school value of **Patience** ~ To be calm and not complain, sometimes put up with things which are hard.

Tuesday 26th March - Year 1 and Year 2 are celebrating Mass at St John's Church tomorrow morning. Please drop your children off at church for 9am. Hopefully you will be able to stay for the Mass and celebrate our special Mass for Holy Week with the children. We look forward to seeing you. If any of you can help walk the children back to school after Mass, we would be very grateful.

Tuesday 26th March - Our special F2 and Pre School Holy Week Reflections are taking place 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 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. We look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

We finish for the Easter Holiday this Thursday 28th March - Children can be picked up from 1.30pm. The after school club will still be available until 5.30pm as usual for any parents that have booked into it.

We return to school on Monday 15th April at 8.45am

All the staff and myself wish you a very happy and peaceful Easter and look forward to seeing you in the Summer term - hopefully with some sunshine and warm weather!

Happy Easter!

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Headteacher

