



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 10th March 2017

Good afternoon everyone,

Lent has been uppermost in our thoughts this week. The children have embarked on the 40 days Challenge. Each day someone picks out a challenge card from the Lenten box and everyone in school is set a task to show an act of generosity during Lent. So far tasks have included: helping someone in the playground, saying thank you to the person who makes their meals, giving someone else a nice compliment and thank the adults who help you. Each Friday lunchtime during Lent the Y6 Liturgy Leaders are waiting in the Prayer Room for children to come and say a prayer, then write their own Prayer for Lent. They also lead prayer services for KS1 and KS2 on a Tuesday and Thursday in the Hall and support the children in class to lead their own class worship. They work hard and put a lot of thought into planning and delivering a spiritual, experience for other children and are very creative in providing a visual stimulus for them, singing their favourite hymns and sharing reflections on readings from the Bible. Being 'Grateful' and 'Generous' is our theme for Lent and this week has also seen our Virtues and Values Tree being transformed into a Thank You Tree; with every child writing a thank you prayer to place on the tree.

Staying with the theme of gratitude, thank you to everyone who came to the two meetings, held to find out more about FOSAS. The Summer Fete is the next big fundraiser and the more people that are involved the easier the task will be. Watch this space over the next few weeks as to the different ways you can help. If you were unable to attend either of the meetings but are keen to be part of FOSAS please let the office staff or myself know.

Year 2 treated us to a Science Spectacular today. Their class assembly was truly out of this world, with hot air balloons, science experiments, hand bells, a film and a rousing rendition of Those Magnificent Men in their Flying Machines. The children have clearly enjoyed learning about the topic and are extremely knowledgeable. Well done to Mrs Sherwood and Mrs Lloyd for preparing the children so well. A special well done to the children who have learned to play the bell plates so proficiently in less than a week, thanks to the expert tuition from Mrs Lloyd. It is lovely to see children being given opportunities to try alternative instruments.

Next week we have our Scholastic Book Fair in school all week. Books and stationery items will be on sale every afternoon from 3.10 -3.45 and during Parents Evenings. Your support purchasing items at the book fair earns commission for the school to buy additional resources for the classes.

Best wishes,
Mrs Stewart



Attendance: Target = 96%.

	LAST WEEK	THIS TERM	THIS YEAR
YR	96.3%	94.8%	94.6%
Y1	96.8%	96.4%	96.0%
Y2	99.2%	97.0%	96.6%
Y3	98.7%	96.1%	96.1%
Y4	97.5%	95.5%	96.9%
Y5	98.3%	94.8%	95.8%
Y6	96.1%	95.6%	96.0%



Mass Times

St Ambrose's
Sunday 11am & 6pm.

Confession Times

St Ambrose's
Saturday 11.45am—12.45pm, and by request.

Altar Servers

W/C 13/03—Thomas W & Connor V.
W/C 20/03—Thomas B & Matty C.

Reception Y1, Y2 & Y3 will lead Mass on Wednesday 15th March. All welcome.



After-school Clubs



Wednesday—WBA Football 3.15—4.15pm



Thursday—Badminton 3.10—4.10pm



Friday—WBA Netball 3.15—4.15pm

MESSAGES

PARKING AND CAR PARK ISSUES— Can we please re-iterate that parents are not allowed to use the car park for dropping off or picking up. Can we please also ask that you do not park on the yellow zig zags directly outside of the school gates as this restricts access for emergency vehicles and bin collections.

BOOK FAIR— The school will be hosting the Book Fair from Monday 13th March to Friday 17th March. There will be the opportunity to purchase books after school and also during the parents evenings. Book vouchers will be handed out on Monday.

SKOOLS OUT VACANCY— Our before and after school club 'Skools Out' have a job vacancy 7 hours over 2 afternoons. NVQ level2/3 is desirable but not essential as free training can be given onsite. An immediate start is required and the contract will be term time only. If you are interested in the position please contact Sara on 07960516509.

P.E. KITS— There are a number of upcoming sporting activities during school so could we please ask that your child's p.e. kit is in school at all times. Thank you.

HOT DINNER MENU— Children receive Universal Free School Meals from Reception to Y2. If you would like your child to receive a school meal you must complete and return the menu with your child's name and year group clearly written on the front.

PAYMENTS— Just to reiterate, we will not accept any payments if they are not in an envelope with your child's name and year group. This is due to the volume of money we have coming in and to avoid discrepancies.

VIOLINISTS DIARY DATE— There will be a travel and space themed concert for our violinists on Tuesday 4th April at Kidderminster Town Hall 6.30-7.30pm. Please check your child's violin case for further information.

SCHOOL PHOTO'S— Photographers will be in on Friday 17th March to take class photo's.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



*"Blessed are those who
hunger and thirst for
righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied."*

Matthew 5:6

FOSAS AGM

The FOSAS AGM will be held on Friday 31st March at 3.15pm in school. All are welcome and there will be Tea, Coffee and cakes available. Childcare will also be provided if required.

Diary Dates



MARCH

Monday 13th—Friday 17th— Book Fair.

Tuesday 14th—Y3 Golf.

Parents Evening—5pm-7.20pm.

Wednesday 15th—Parents evening 3.30pm—6pm.

Friday 17th— School group photos.

Y5 Tag Rugby pm.

Tuesday 21st— Y6 Tag Rugby training.

Wednesday 22nd— Y2 parents workshop 2pm.

Thursday 23rd— YR and Y6 height and weight check.

Tuesday 28th— Y3 Golf.

Wednesday 29th— Y3 & Y4 SNOMAC athletics.

Y3 second group trampolining @ Hagley. Socks required.

Y3 WILL NOT BE SWIMMING ON THIS DAY.

FHC meeting 6.30pm.

APRIL

Monday 3rd— Y5 Tag Rugby finals @ Hagley.

Y6 Tag Rugby.

Y3 Golf.

Wednesday 5th—Y6 Tag Rugby @ Kidderminster Carolians.

Friday 7th— School breaks up for Easter.

BOOK CLUB

Please can any book club orders be purchased online through scholastic. All orders will be delivered free of charge to school.

We will no longer be accepting orders through school.

Please go to <https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/schools/st-ambroses>

Many thanks.

Year 2 Assembly

