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# **Weekly Newsletter**

Good afternoon everyone,

It might have been a short week but it has certainly been packed full. Year 4 have been busy this week. On Tuesday they prepared us for the beginning of Lent by leading a prayer service for parents and Key stage 2 pupils. Then on Thursday their classroom was packed to the rafters for their parent workshop. There was plenty of excitement as the children worked alongside their parents to plan and budget for an end of term party, which Mrs Leak was keen to point out, will have to become a reality, not least as a thank you for the tremendous parental support.

On Tuesday, Year 3 also had great fun, learning the skills involved in the sport of Golf; the first of four taster sessions provided by coaches from Kidderminster Golf Club. I would like to thank the club for providing the children with the opportunity to try an alternative sport and the children certainly enjoyed themselves. The day ended with a feast of pancakes. A huge thank you to FOSAS for their hard work feeding all the hungry mouths after a busy day.

Year 5 have been showcasing their musical talents yet again. Today they took part in the parish celebrations of Women's World Day of Prayer. They performed a song and dance and a dramatisation of the Bible story from Matthew's Gospel of the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard. This year the focus was on the Philippines and It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to experience aspects of the culture. As always they were a credit to school.

It was a quick change before the service began as today we also held our World Book Day celebrations. The hall was packed with a plethora of characters from children's stories. Teachers joined in the fun too, not only dressing up but swapping classes to read their favourite children's story. To add to the fun there was the opportunity for a book swap and everyone took part in D.E.A.R. time with a dalek walking around school at various points in the day ringing a bell, signalling time to drop everything and read for 2 minutes! Finally the children were set a competition: to write an adventure for Jamie and his magic torch, having watched the opening scene from the children's television series of the 1970's and 80's, with prizes to be awarded next week for both KS1 and KS2.

Besides all the excitement this week the children have also been preparing for the season of Lent. Having attended Mass to celebrate Ash Wednesday they have all been busy writing their Lenten promises.

### Y4 Parent Workshop

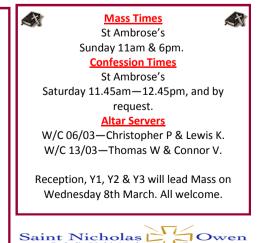




Best wishes,

Mrs Stewart.

Attendance: Target = 96%.			
	LAST WEEK	THIS HALF TERM	THIS YEAR
YR	96.0%	94.6%	94.6%
Y1	95.5%	96.4%	96.0%
Y2	98.7%	96.7%	96.5%
Y3	97.0%	95.8%	96.0%
Y4	100%	95.3%	97.0%
Y5	98.3%	94.3%	95.7%
Y6	97.6%	95.6%	96.0%



<b>③</b> √	Wednesday—WBA Football 3.15—4.15pm
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**After-school Clubs** 

#### **MESSAGES**

<u>VIOLINISTS DIARY DATE</u>— There will be a travel and space themed concert for our violinists on Tuesday 4th April at Kidderminster Town Hall 6.30-7.30pm. More details to follow.

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.

**FOSAS**— Please can we ask for volunteers for our school PTA. They only have a few members and without FOSAS our children will not benefit from all the extra resources and financial help with trips that they offer.

**HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRES**— Please can all health guestionnaires, that were handed out to the Reception children be handed back into the school office ASAP.

**GOLF SESSION**— Year 3 will be taking part in free golf sessions at school. More information are in the diary dates.

**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.

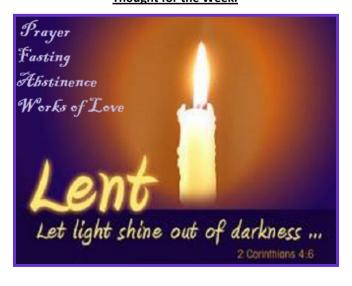
PARKING AND CAR PARK ISSUES— Following the collision in the car park earlier this week can we please re-iterate that parents are not allowed to use the car park for dropping off or picking up. Can we please ask also that you do not park on the yellow zig zags directly outside of the school gates as this is not only illegal but it also causes an obstruction.

Y2 SATS BOOK DEADLINE— If you would like to benefit from the school discount for SATS books the order deadline is Wednesday 8th March.

### **FOSAS**

FOSAS need your help. Without more members it will cease to be and the children in our school will miss out. There will be two opportunities to find out more about what belonging to FOSAS entails. Please come along and offer your support at the meeting held in School on Tuesday 7th March at 2.30pm or The Parish Club on Thursday 9th March at 7pm. We look forward to meeting you and welcome your ideas for how we can proceed in the future.

### Thought for the Week.



# **Diary Dates**



#### MARCH

Tuesday 7th—FOSAS meeting 2.30pm in school.

Thursday 9th—FOSAS meeting 7pm in the Parish Hall.

Friday 10th—Y2 Assembly. Parents welcome to attend.

Y5 Tag Rugby.

Tuesday 14th—Y3 Golf.

Tuesday 15th—Y3 & Y4 SNOMAC athletics.

Y3 second group trampolining @ Hagley. Socks required.

Y3 WILL NOT BE SWIMMING ON THIS DAY.

Friday 17th— School group photo's.

Y5 Tag Rugby pm.

Tuesday 21st— Y6 Tag Rugby training.

Wednesday 22nd - Y2 parent's workshop 2pm.

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

Tuesday 28th— Y3 Golf.

Wednesday 29th— FHC meeting 6.30pm.

#### **APRIL**

Monday 3rd— Y5 Tag Rugby finals @ Hagley.

Y6 Tag Rugby.

Wednesday 5th—Y6 Tag Rugby @ Kidderminster Carolians.

Friday 7th — School breaks up for Easter.

Monday 24th— Pupils return to school.

Wednesday 26th—FHC meeting 6.30pm.

### **WORLD BOOK DAY**









'It's really fun dressing up as our favourite character. I thought the Dalek was very creative'. - Matty C Y5.

'I like being someone else'. Mia B Y3.

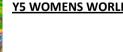
'I like being different a different character'. Thomas H Y5.

'I like being in my own clothes to show my personality'. Max C Y3

'Today I am Anna from frozen. It is good dressing up. I liked the teachers costumes'. Emma Y4.

'I am a Power Ranger. It was fun'. Gerry S Y4

'I was Hermione from Harry Potter. I liked the teachers dressing up, it was funny'. Poppy N Y4.



### **Y5 WOMENS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**



