



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 31st March 2017

Good afternoon everyone,

Whoever thought that Ghostbusters and the Anglo-Saxons would ever be put in the same sentence, but those of us lucky enough to watch Year 4's assembly this morning know that it is perfectly plausible. The Anglo-Saxons were certainly given a modern twist with 'Through the Keyhole' hosted by Keith Lime, giving the audience an imaginative insight into what it was like to live in the past. Along with this there was singing, dancing, acting and lots of information delivered clearly and confidently by the children. The Year 4's have clearly enjoyed learning about their topic and were extremely knowledgeable. It was a wonderful start to a Friday morning hearing laughter resounding around the hall and everyone left knowing new facts about a topic that is new to the curriculum. Well done Year 4 for your enthusiasm and showing us all that learning is fun.

The last few weeks have been packed with sporting opportunities for the children in Key stage 2. It has been a very busy week for Year 3 in particular. On Monday they experienced their fourth session of golf. On Wednesday morning half the class went off to Hagley to do trampolining (something the rest of the class had done a few weeks ago) and in the afternoon they enjoyed an indoor athletics session, which Year 4 also enjoyed in the afternoon, all courtesy of the SNOMAC schools partnership. To finish the week off Year 5 and Year 6 took part in orienteering on Friday. It is great having the opportunity to be able to provide alternative sports for the children to try and they have all enjoyed mastering new skills.

As it is the last week of term, next week we celebrate Holy Week in school. Each day a class from Key stage 2 will lead us in a prayer service to mark the events of the week and once again we hope you can join us to share in the prayer life of the school. When you are in school look out for a new display as each class is busy writing a footprint as part of a whole school display for the windows outside the hall. The footprints will explain how they live out our Catholic Mission and 'do their best to follow Jesus' and the example of the saint they have chosen as their class patron.

We finish for Easter by celebrating Mass together at 10.30 next Friday.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Stewart.



Attendance: Target = 96%.



	LAST WEEK	THIS TERM	THIS YEAR
YR	97.3%	95.1%	94.8%
Y1	96.7%	96.3%	95.6%
Y2	93.7%	96.5%	96.5%
Y3	95.0%	96.2%	96.1%
Y4	96.7%	96.0%	96.9%
Y5	97.7%	95.6%	96.1%
Y6	97.2%	95.8%	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 3/04— Aidan O & Sebin J.

There will be a whole school Mass on Friday.
NO MASS ON WEDNESDAY.

After-school Clubs



Wednesday—WBA Football 3.15—4.15pm



Thursday—Badminton 3.10—4.10pm



Friday—WBA Netball 3.15—4.15pm

MESSAGES

NEW WEBSITE— Our new website is live for you to look at. Please go to st-ambrose.sch.life. **IN ORDER FOR OUR NEW WEBSITE TO BE EFFECTIVE WE REQUIRE YOU TO FILL OUT THE ATTACHED FORM AND SEND BACK INTO SCHOOL ASAP. WE WILL BE REPLACING PARENTMAIL WITH SCHOOL LIFE SO THIS WILL BE OUR PRIMARY WAY OF CONTACTING PARENTS.**

VIOLINISTS DIARY DATE— There will be a violin lesson on Tuesday 4th April instead of Monday May 22nd. Please ensure your child has their violin in school on the Monday AND the Tuesday if that week.

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>

EASTER HOLIDAY FOOTBALL— Kidderminster Harriers are holding football courses in the Easter Holidays. Please see the flyers that have been handed out.

PIONEER PAYMENT— The final balance for the Pioneer needs to be made no later than Friday 28th April.

UNIFORM— Can we please remind you that your child should not have extreme hair styles or large hair accessories in order to keep up the high standards of the school.

SCOOTERS— Please can we remind you that scooters are not allowed be ridden in the playground.

Diary Dates

APRIL

Monday 3rd— Y5 Tag Rugby finals @ Hagley.
Y6 Tag Rugby training.
Y3 Golf.

Tuesday 4th— Re-scheduled violin lesson.
Violin Concert Town Hall 6.30-7.30pm.

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.

Friday 28th— Y5 SNOMAC basketball.

MAY

Wednesday 10th— Y3 & Y4 SNOMAC rounders.

Monday 15th—17th— Y6 Residential trip.

Friday 19th— Y5 Basketball.

Friday 26th— School breaks up for half term.

JUNE

Tuesday 6th— Pupils return to school.

Saturday 17th— First Holy Communion.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

A Prayer for Lenten Grace

Loving God,
During the sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you.
Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and solitude,
so that I may re-discover the grace of a prayer-full life.
Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well-being of
body and soul and remind me of the grace of simplicity.
Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and, in so doing,
re-discover the grace of gratitude and generosity.
May this season be a grace-filled time to refind
my love for and faith in you.
Amen.

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Year 3 Quotes

'I liked learning new skills.' Ashley B.

'I was proud as I jumped to level 4.' Jacob R.

'I enjoyed skipping on the trampoline.' Scarlet D.

'I enjoyed doing the pike and straddle.' James B.

'I enjoyed throwing in the finals.' Rafal P.

'At first I did a little jump then I did a big jump.' Chinzia G

'I enjoyed improving my score in jumping.' Edward M.

'I enjoyed running in the relay race.' Kinga M

Year 4 Class Assembly



'I enjoyed 'Through The Keyhole', the dancing and the Anglo-Saxon actors.' Isobel C.

'I was rather nervous at first but once it started I had great fun! I learned lots.' Theresa C.

'I learned a fact about a Saxon King buried in a ship at Sutton Hoo. It is very interesting'. Millie M.

'I enjoyed learning the days of the week and what they mean. I also enjoyed when Tom B and Finn were doing their bit'.

Kacper W.

'I learned that the fierce Anglo-Saxons believed in monsters. I enjoyed singing and doing my reading'.

'I enjoyed learning about Sutton Hoo and Anglo-Saxon writing' Tom B.

'I enjoyed dancing because it was really fun and I love Ghostbusters!'. Evan D