



# OUR NEWS 09/03/18

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*"In the Light of Jesus we Love, Listen and Grow"*

## Dates for your diary

Please see the 17/18 & 18/19 holiday dates on the school website under the parents tab, address above.

### 2017/2018

Lenten Liturgy  
Easter Holidays  
Sports Day

Fri 23rd Mar - 11.30  
Mon 26th March – Fri 6th April  
Tues 26th June  
Wed 27th June (back-up day)

## Birthday Congratulations

Happy Birthday go to those who had birthdays recently:

Daisy (Yr5)  
Dagon (Rec)  
Lucas (Yr4)  
Ava (Yr5)  
Ian (Yr6)  
Charlie (Yr3)



We hope you have had a great celebration.



### Rummage Sale

Mrs Wilkins next rummage sale in support of the Parish will take place tomorrow, Saturday 10th March, starting at 1.30pm it will finish between 3 and 3.30pm  
Many Thanks

### Thank you

Mr Saxton would like to pass on his thanks for all the kind messages and gifts sent to him on the arrival of baby Arthur. He and his wife feel very blessed to have received such kindness.  
Thank you.

### Walk to school reminder

Each Monday morning we walk children to school gathering at the Whitwick park carpark. Mr Morley is at the carpark from 8.30AM and the group leave to walk to school at 8.40AM. Children from Year1 to Year6 are welcome.



**We are a Nut Free School.  
Many Thanks.**

### Book of Condolence

A book of Condolence for our ex-Headteacher Mrs Butlin will be opened this weekend in Church for anyone who would like to contribute. It will be there for a couple of weeks.

## Nursery

We have a small number of places in Nursery for next term. However we are already thinking and planning our provision for the autumn and the 2018/2019 school year. For those putting in an early application there will be a wide choice of times and sessions. Remember the morning "Drop-in," session is also open to nursery pupils.

## Thanks

Mrs Rice would like to send out her thanks for the donations of books and toys for her Lenten fundraising. A customer at the stall this week was heard to say, "This is the best ever day at school." We definitely have children who like to shop!

## Easter Preparations

Year 6 will lead a Lenten liturgy in Church on Friday 23rd March at 11.30.  
Everyone is welcome to join us.



On our school website (address above) we have created a link to a fabulous resource called "Health for Kids." The website covers a number of areas such as: illness, staying healthy, feelings and getting help. There are ideas for activities and helpful tips for tackling common childhood worries and problems. It is worth a look and can be found under "medical guidance," which is under the "parents," tab.

### Year 6

Year 6 are very happy and proud to announce that they have raised £147.30 during their Lenten activities. Thank You

### Cross Country

A big congratulations to all children who took part in this year's gruelling cross country competition. Marcus and Jack have both come 2nd in their age groups for the county and will represent the County along with Molly and Savana. Savana continues to run at National level and we wish them all the best of luck. For such a small school we really do have a huge amount of talented pupils.

## Lenten Activities

Our Lenten fund raising activities have been going very well and children have been very happy spending your money. Many thanks for your generosity in sending them into school with plenty to spend.

The following are the activities still to come.

Mr Armstrong—Games—12th & 13th March

Mr Saxton/Miss Breeze/Mrs Dolan—Cafod Café week beginning 19th March

All games, food and activities will remain priced at 20p.

Remember every £1 we raise will be matched by the government. Good News.

**Thank you for your support.**



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SPRING TERM 2018 COME AND SEE AT HOME

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This term we will be studying the three themes of Local Church (Community), Eucharist (Relating) and Lent/Easter (Giving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics.

## LOCAL CHURCH - COMMUNITY

*(8th January)*

Early Years	<b>CELEBRATING</b> - People celebrate in Church
Year 1	<b>SPECIAL PEOPLE</b> - People in the parish family
Year 2	<b>BOOKS</b> - The books used in Church
Year 3	<b>JOURNEYS</b> - Christian family's journey with Christ
Year 4	<b>COMMUNITY</b> - Life in the local Christian community
and	ministries in the parish
Year 5	<b>MISSION</b> - Continuing Jesus' mission in diocese (ecumenism)
Year 6	<b>SOURCES</b> - The Bible, the special book for the Church

## SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

**Explore the Diocesan website, looking at the number of churches, and finding out about our bishop. Read Bible stories together or encourage older children to read a child's Bible.**

## EUCCHARIST - RELATING

*(5th February)*

Early Years	<b>GATHERING</b> - Parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist
Year 1	<b>MEALS</b> - Mass, Jesus' special meal
Year 2	<b>THANKSGIVING</b> - Mass, a special time to thank God
Year 3	<b>LISTENING &amp; SHARING</b> - Jesus gives himself to us
Year 4	<b>GIVING &amp; RECEIVING</b> - Living in communion
Year 5	<b>MEMORIAL SACRIFICE</b> - Eucharist as the living memorial of Christ's sacrifice
Year 6	<b>UNITY</b> - Eucharist enabling people to live in communion

## SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

**Look through the family photograph album to help the children remember important events and special people in their lives. Discuss how we come together for special celebrations.**

## LENT/EASTER - GIVING

*(5th March)*

Early Year	<b>GROWING</b> - Looking forward to Easter
Year 1	<b>CHANGE</b> - Lent: a time for change
Year 2	<b>OPPORTUNITIES</b> - Lent: an opportunity to start anew
Year 3	<b>GIVING ALL</b> - Lent: remembering Jesus' total giving
Year 4	<b>SELF DISCIPLINE</b> - Celebrating growth to new life
Year 5	<b>SACRIFICE</b> - Lent: a time of aligning with the sacrifice made by Jesus
Year 6	<b>DEATH &amp; NEW LIFE</b> - Celebrating Jesus' death and resurrection

## SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

**As a family talk about how you are going to practice self-control and self-giving for the rest of the season of Lent. You may decide to give up biscuits or cakes and donate the money to a charity. If you have an older child provide him/her with an opportunity to take part in The Stations of the Cross. Ask your child/ren how the school is focusing on Lent and self-giving.**