

# Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Despite what seems like constant rain and a leaking roof, the term continues to be as busy and as enjoyable as always.

Fridays remain my favourite day of the week. It starts with the 8.40am family prayer group- as the school comes together to reflect on the themes of the Liturgical year. Next, we currently move seamlessly into online Stations of the Cross across 3 schools, and then I end the day with Homework Club. This remains a great way to finish the week with a relaxed study support session. 4 teachers are giving up their time to support Y6 with SATs and Y5 with any homework problems. It's a great end to the day.

Admittedly lunchtime means a quiet period of reflection for those who have made mistakes through the week (otherwise known as detention) but I soon cheer up when I get my fish and chips!!

## NAHT and Svitlo School Assembly

This week instead of joining the other schools for Stations of the Cross over zoom, children from Sacred Heart will join schools across the country helping the Ukrainian Svitlo's School world record assembly on 1 March.

We will listen to stories from their students and remember those who are suffering in conflicts across the world. It is particularly poignant 2 years on as our own Mrs Nakonechna is still working in Ukraine.



## Palm Sunday Celebration Monday 25th March

Parents are invited to join the children as they re-enact the story of Palm Sunday in the playground and prepare for Holy week together. It will take place at 9am on KS2 playground. You are all welcome. There will also be a special guest!



The Wednesday Word is **ENTHUSIASM**

I love the quote, **"If you are what you should be, you should set the whole world ablaze,"** St Catherine of Sienna.

## The Sacred Heart Choir

The choir will be singing twice on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March. They start the morning at the 9am Mass at Christchurch in Cabul Road and then join the 11.30 family Mass at Sacred Heart.

After that hard work, I will keep my promise to them and we will either be having pizza at a restaurant in Battersea Square or if they can't fit us in, we will have Pizza and Play back at school.

My thanks go to Mr Clarke, Ms Drinan and all the parents for their continued support.

## Sportshall Athletics

Since I last wrote, the Sportshall athletics team has reached the regional final of the Sportshall Athletics. They won the Wandsworth final and then placed third in the South London heats.

The girls' team is captained by Charlotte in Y6 and the boys' team by Jamie in Y6. It was an amazing atmosphere with all of the children smiling throughout. The London Sportshall Athletics Final is on Tuesday 19th March 2024, at Redbridge Sports Centre.

### Eco Club

The children that are most looking forward to the coming of Spring are the Eco Club. Mr Madden and Ms Stott have started a new after school group that looks after all things related to the environment, gardening and biodiversity.

Here are some of the children eating their homemade potato and leek soup with cheese scones.



### School Visits and Trips

There have been some amazing visits and trips since I last wrote.

Year 3 have been on an amazing local geography trip round the Battersea Power Station which included a trip up the lift in the chimney.

Year 5 are on a history trip today to The British Museum to see the Sutton Hoo and the Greek Marbles.

Year 5 from both schools also had a wonderful trip to the Rose Theatre in Kingston to see a great production of The Boy in the back of the Class.



### Music

Congratulations to Caitlin Y4 who achieved her distinction in Grade 1 in piano.

### Mother's Day Breakfast

Mums, Aunties and Grandmothers (1 adult per family please) are warmly invited to the Mother's Day Reading Breakfast on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** (World Book Day) from 9:15-10am. Please see Dojo and Parentmail for further details about the logistics of the event!



### Upcoming Dates

6th March	Y4 Celebration of the Word in the hall - Parents welcome. 9:15am
7th March	World Book Day and Mothers' Day Breakfast
8th March	Y4 Confession with Fr Peter 2pm
20th March	Class school photos and Y6 individual photos 9am Y2 Celebration of the Word in the hall - Parents welcome. 9.15am
25th March	Holy week service - Parents welcome 9.00am
28th March	Last day of term. School closes at 1.30pm
15th April	INSET Day - School closed
16th April	Summer term - School re-opens
24th April	Parents' Evening - School closes at 1.30pm