



Newsletter Friday 27th March 2026

Faithfulness

Matthew 8:5

Then Jesus said to the officer,
"You may go home now. Your faith has made it happen."
Right then his servant was healed.

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a vibrant and joyful end to the spring term we've had! The school has been buzzing with eggs-citement, and it's been wonderful to see our community coming together to celebrate. Speaking of our community, a huge thank you to the very generous donation we have received of an Easter egg for every child in school.

The school hall was filled with cheers and laughter yesterday for our annual egg rolling competition. It was a delight to see the children's (and staff's) competitive spirits (and their eggs!) in full swing. We were also blown away by the "eggs-traordinary" creativity on display—the decorated eggs brought in from home were truly masterpieces.

A huge well done to our pupils in Year 4 and Year 2, who led a beautiful Easter service at the church. It was a proud moment for staff and parents alike to see them speak with such confidence as they shared their version of the Easter story with us all.

It was great to catch up with so many of you during Parents' Evening. We were pleased to hand out attendance certificates recognising those pupils who have shown fantastic commitment to their learning this term. If you were disappointed with what you received, keep an eye out after the break—we have some exciting news and new incentives coming regarding attendance for the summer term!

On behalf of all the staff, we wish you and your families a restful, sunshine-filled, and very Happy Easter. We look forward to seeing everyone back, refreshed and ready for our final term of the year.

Wishing you a break full of sunshine and spring blooms,

Mrs M Underwood



Coffee & Chat

Our new Coffee & Chat sessions with Mrs Lawton will be starting on Tuesday 14th April. It is a friendly drop-in for parents and carers to get advice, support and guidance in a relaxed setting. The sessions are running every Tuesday in the school hall from 8.45 -10am. No appointments are needed.

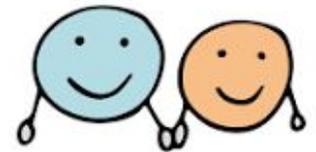


Mini Marsdens

We are no longer running our Mini Marsden sessions after Easter. The sessions have instead been replaced with the new Coffee & Chat sessions.

Meeting of Friends

Our next meeting of friends will be held in school on Tuesday 21st April at 3.30pm. As always childcare can be arranged for the meeting.



We Are a Nut-Free School

Our school is completely nut-free. This means no nuts or nut products should be brought onto school grounds, including items like Nutella and other hazelnut spreads. We have several students and staff with severe allergies, and even a tiny amount of a nut product can cause a dangerous reaction. Your cooperation keeps everyone safe!



Friends Family Bingo Night

Save the date - We will be holding a bingo night in school on Thursday 14th May 6 - 7.30pm. More information will follow nearer the date. In the meantime, if you are able to donate any items for prizes, please get in touch with the school office.



GMSJ Award Winners

Award Winners



Lily Year 2 - For awesome Aladdin sentences

Udith Year 2 - For awesome Aladdin sentences

Alice Year 4 - For excellent NCR about Polar Bears

Alice Year 4 - For detailed writing in geography about rivers

Inaya Year 4 - For excellent NCR about Polar Bears

Dougie-Joe Reception - For terrific tiger writing

Riana Year 4 - For wonderful rivers research

Wilfred Year 4 - For Wonderful rivers research

Hudson Year 5 - For stunning science fiction writing

Romie-Beau Year 4 - For gorgeous guided reading

Harvey Year 5 - For stunning science fiction writing

Sia Year 4 - For excellent explanations!

Harvey Year 5 - For fabulous fractions

Riana Year 4 - For excellent explanations!

Ruby Year 6 - For super writing about the book Wonder

Salma Year 4 - For excellent explanations!

Attendance Awards



**This week's attendance winners:
Year 5**



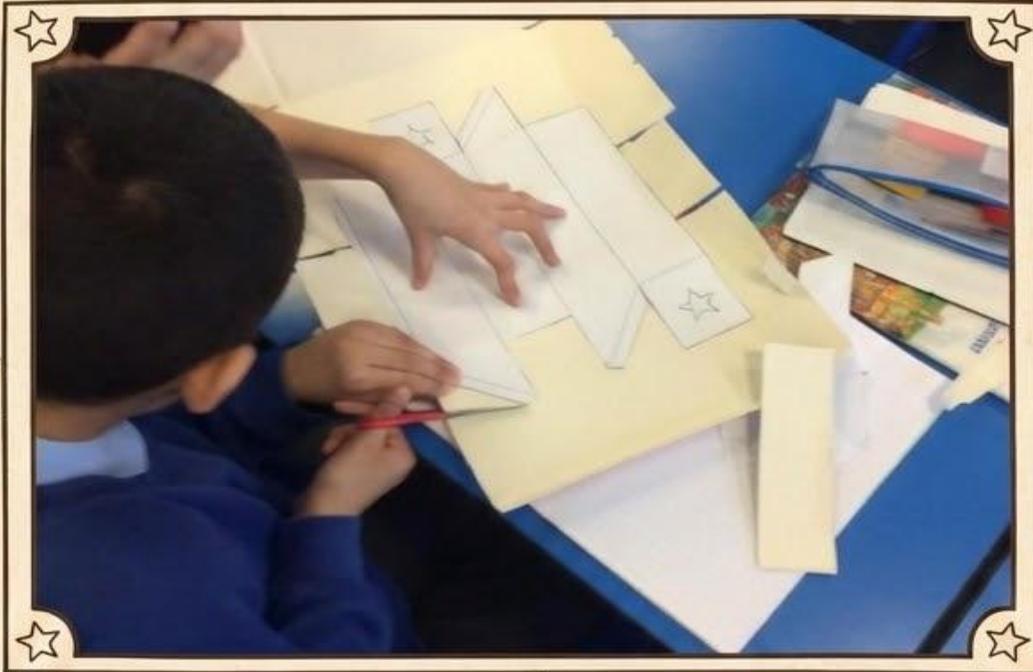
**This week's most improved attendance:
Year 5**

Year 4

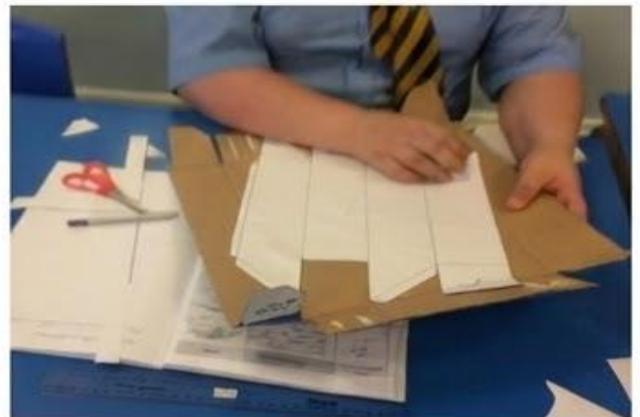
Year 4 had an amazing trip to Towneley Hall and river to release their fish they have been caring for in class. The staff were very impressed with their knowledge after our recent geography topic on rivers. Well done everyone.



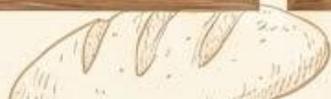
LOVING LEARNING



In year 6 we have been making periscopes



Year 1 have been learning about quarters by cutting up slices of bread.





Coffee & Chat

A friendly drop-in for parents & carers

Come along for a relaxed chat and support with:

- ✓ Advice & guidance
- ✓ Benefits support
- ✓ Housing help
- ✓ Financial support
- ✓ Signposting to local services
- ✓ Or just a listening ear



- 💬 No appointment needed
- ♥ Confidential & supportive
- 👏 Everyone welcome

 **Location:** Great Marsden St John's  **Tuesdays**
Time: 8:45 - 10 am **8:45-10 .**

Pop in, have a cuppa, and let us help. You're not alone.