



Newsletter – 27.1.25 Spring 1 week 4

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are certainly ploughing through this term - how are we four weeks in already? We hope that none of our family homes were damaged in the wind last week, we have a few bits to repair.

Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

Every 25 years, the church celebrate a jubilee around the world. 2025 is a jubilee year and Pope Francis has named the jubilee 'Pilgrims of Hope'. The Pope officially opened this special year on Christmas day by opening the jubilee Holy door to St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. Schools around the world were invited to officially launch the jubilee on Friday 24th January 2025, which we did in assembly. Pope Francis calls us all to make a pledge, to think about how we can make the world a better place. You may have seen the wonderful jubilee illustrations drawn by Mrs Patmore on our entrance hall windows - they also invite us all to share hope for the future.



We will celebrate the jubilee further, starting with a disco on February 11th from 4-5:15pm, £1 on MCAS (under products). The student council have also decided that we will be taking part in the 2025 BIG WALK again for Lent this year, however, we are aiming to walk the 1313 miles between us in total for the BIG WALK - the exact number of miles it would take for us to walk to the Vatican! A true pilgrimage. More details to come nearer the time.

In addition, our diocese, Lancaster, is also celebrating a jubilee - their 100th year. The patron saint of our diocese is St. Bernadette, our Lady of Lourdes, and we will be celebrating this anniversary with a statue tour, that will visit all the catholic schools in Lancaster diocese. We will be having a celebration when she visits us in May.

Year 4

Year 4 went on a fantastic trip to Bolton Museum last week, where they visited an Egyptian tomb!



We love bringing learning to life!



After school

Please do not use the trim trails on either playground after school. Without adequate supervision, accidents may happen. We therefore do not endorse the use of these before 9am or after 3:15pm and will not be held responsible for any incidents.

Dates for your diary coming up

- 29.1.25 - Y3/4 athletics final (those involved will be notified)
- 30.1.25 – Y3 class mass. All welcome.
- 4.2.25 - SCHOOLS' ALIVE at the Winter Gardens
- 5.2.25 - Y5/6 athletics final (those involved will be notified)
- 6.2.25 – Y2 class mass. All welcome.
- 10.2.25 - Y1/2 athletics festival (those involved will be notified)
- 11.2.25 - 4-5:15pm Jubilee Disco
- 13.2.25 - Y1 class assembly 2:30pm.
Non uniform day £1 on MCAS
- 14.2.25 - TRUST INSET day (school closed to children) Half term begins.
- 24.2.25 - INSET Day
- 25.2.25 - Children back in
- 26.2.25 - 3:30-6:30pm Parents' evening. Please book on MCAS.
- 4.3.25 - Year 4 trip
- 6.3.25 - 2:30pm - children to receive the ashes
- 9.3.25 - 11:30am SCHOOL FAMILY MASS at Holy Family -please join us**
- 11.3.25 - 6pm Lenten liturgy at St. Kentigern's church. Those involved will be notified.

Attendance

Well done to Year 5 who have had the best attendance so far this term with 98% - quite a feat with so many bugs around at the minute!

Advance warning!

Year 6 SATS will take place 12-16th May 2025

Year 1 will undertake the phonics screen during the week commencing 9th June.

Year 4 will undertake the multiplication check during the week beginning the 9th June.

We kindly request that you avoid taking our child out of school in the lead up to or during these assessment windows.

Thank you.

