



Newsletter - Spring 2 : 9.3.26

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We continue through Lent and I have been very good – no chocolate has been eaten so far!

## **Catholic Life - Lent**

Our first two weeks of Lent have been all about PRAYER. During these two weeks we have received the ashes, had our children take confession and also prayed through the Stations of the Cross together. Some of our Year 5 class have started a short programme to become Ministers of The Word, aiming to grow their confidence in reading aloud in Mass.

This week we will try to FAST. We will fast from meat on Friday in our school lunches.

The following two weeks will be all about GIVING. We will be undertaking our charity event Tough Mudder. Remember to return your sponsor forms, along with any pennies raised, as this acts as permission for your child to participate.

We will also give our time as we will be leading Mass at Holy Family church on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, from 11:30am, and will be looking for readers to volunteer for the service and would love it if lots of our families joined us for the event.

We will also be looking for Easter eggs in exchange for non-uniform day on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

On 26<sup>th</sup> March, Year 4 will be giving us the story of Jesus as we journey towards Holy week through the Passion Play.

## **Easter Holy Week**

We would like to hold a non-uniform day on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March, in exchange for chocolate Easter eggs. These eggs will become some of the prizes that could be won on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March at our school Easter Bingo event. This event will be after school, with games starting approximately 4-5:30pm – it should be fun for all the family. Bingo Books will go on sale on MCAS for the event, simple refreshments will be on sale and money raised will go to the student council who decide what they would like to buy for school!

From Monday 30<sup>th</sup>, we would like to invite children to bring in their decorated eggs. One egg-cellent prize per class will be on offer. This is entirely voluntary but we look forward to seeing your wonderful creations.

On Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, we will hold our annual Easter bonnet parade around our local streets – please encourage your child to bring their Easter bonnet along to wear with pride.

## **Free School meals**

If your circumstances have changed, please let the school office know and we can check whether you are eligible for free school meals. This premium can help also with further costs such as school trips.

If you and your family are struggling with uniform such as new shoes, please contact Miss Deegan and we may be able to help you. Please don't forget that school holds pre-loved uniform and families are most welcome to come and choose items that are of use.

### Welcome

We welcome Mrs Louise and Mrs Wardle to our after-school club staff team. Both ladies will be working in The Ark every evening and are excited to meet both children and parents. Please remember that booking sessions for mornings or afternoons in The Ark must be done through MCAS three days before your chosen date to secure the place.

### World Book Day

We certainly enjoyed ourselves on World Book Day, thank you all for making such a fantastic effort. Reading is the greatest gift that we can give our children. Encouraging your child to read for just 10 minutes a day exposes children to over 600,000 additional words per year, significantly improving both vocabulary and understanding.

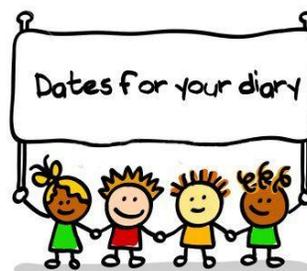
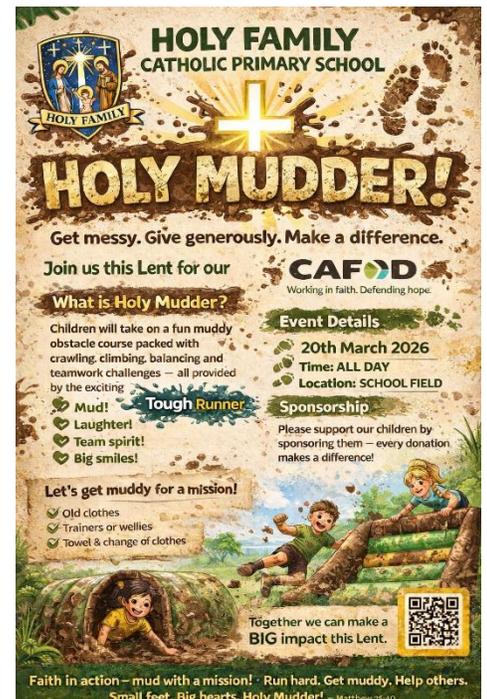
### Mutual respect

We kindly ask all parents to remember the importance of treating school staff with respect and to refrain from using bad language while on school grounds, helping us maintain a safe and positive environment for everyone.

### Planning ahead:

Dates for your diary:

23.2.26	Year 1 Wildlife sessions begin (every Monday for 5 weeks)
9.3.26	Parents' evening – please book on MCAS
12.3.26	YR special assembly, starting at 2:30pm all welcome
13.3.26	Y1 Mothers' day celebration at 2pm
18.3.26	Y5/6 Athletics team compete in the Lancashire games
19.3.26	Year 3 Class Mass, starting at 2:30pm all welcome
20.3.26	HOLY MUDDER!
22.3.26	School Mass at Holy Family Church 11:30am
25.3.26	Year 5 bikeability (Group 1 -2 days)
26.3.26	Year 4 lead the Passion Play from 2pm, all welcome
27.3.26	Y3/4 cinema trip Non-Uniform day for an egg!
30.3.26	Year 5 bikeability (Group 2 -2 days) Easter Bingo event 4-5pm
1.4.26	Easter bonnet parade Break up at 1:30pm





### Young Seashiders Art competition

Well done to the following children who will have their artwork displayed at The Young Seashider Exhibition. Everyone is welcome to go and view the exhibition at The Gallery, Blackpool and The Fylde College, Park Road, FY1 4ES. The artwork will be on show between 10<sup>th</sup> March and 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Reception	Bonnie, Albie and Madeline
Y1	Olivia, Lilly and Alexandra
Y2	Daiwik, Luna S and Emma
Y3	Evie, Poppy and Aria
Y4	Olivia, Jenson, Isaac and Maja K
Y5	Bethany, Vicky and Antonina
Y6	Penny and Sebastian

Thank you also to Mrs Patmore and Mrs Brayshaw for the group section piece, which was created to fit the theme 'Under the deep ocean' and was made from recycled materials.

