



Newsletter – 5.2.24 Spring 1 week 23

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I wish to share with you all that I will be helping out at another school for two days per week until Easter, whilst their head teacher is off due to long-term sickness. Please rest assured that I am not leaving Holy Family, I am always contactable by phone and Mrs Whitehead is more than ably covering my two days absence per week.

## Mass

A huge thank you to all of the families that attended mass with us on Sunday and to those of you that continue to attend our class worships each week. We do so enjoy sharing worship together.

## First Holy Communion

We are most pleased with the uptake of places on the First Holy Communion programme and can't wait to celebrate this next step together. The programme is open to years 4, 5 and 6. If you are interested in your child receiving this sacrament, please contact Father David at St. Bernadette's.

## Catholic life of the School – How can we serve others?

Our choir will be going to sing for the residents of Penny stone Court this afternoon, this is a small way of serving others in our community. If you would like to suggest a way for our school to serve the community, please let us know.

## Height and weight checks

Details will have gone home to Reception class and year 6 parents as your children will be part of the national child measurement programme; this is undertaken annually. The date of the survey is set for 22<sup>nd</sup> February. If you do not want your child be a part of this survey, you must email the NHS directly on the address listed on your information letter.

## Parking

We have recently received a number of complaints from both residents and parents regarding the number of cars driving along Seacrest Avenue. There have been complaints regarding parents driving too quickly and also parking across driveways. Seacrest Avenue is simply not suitable for turning a car around and therefore drivers often mount pavements and kerbs. This is particularly dangerous when children are walking to school. We therefore request that parents park along Links road and walk the short distance, possibly through the church grounds to school. We would much prefer that you were two minutes late, than a child get hurt. Again, we stress that ONLY blue badge holder are permitted to use the staff carpark for dropping off children at school. Parents should use the drop-off point at Leckhampton. Thank you.



## Lent

For Lent this year, we will be asking each class to think of a way to support the 'Corporal Acts of Mercy'. Jesus said in Matthew 25:35-40

- I was hungry and you fed me,
- thirsty and you gave me a drink;
- I was a stranger and you received me in your homes,
- naked and you clothed me;
- I was sick and you took care of me,
- in prison and you visited me.'

The children will think of a way to show their love and serve others each week.

## Book Fair and World Book Day

This year's book fair will be held from Thursday 29th February to Tuesday 5th March. Please come along and choose a book as school receives a number of books in return.

### Dates for your diary coming up – SPRING 1

7/2/24	Year 1 class assembly, please join us in school from 2:30pm.
8/2/24	Year 2 class Mass, please join us in school from 2:30pm.
9/2/24	End of half term, finish at 3:15pm.
<b>14.2.24</b>	<b><i>Start of Lent</i></b>
19/2/24	INSET day
20/2/24	Return to school
22/2/24	Mass in church from 2:15pm
29/3/24	Y5 to present the Stations of the Cross
5/3/24	Lentern Liturgy at Christ the King 6pm – those involved will be notified
6/3/24	Reception Class assembly at 2:30pm.
7/3/24	Y3 class mass 2:30pm
12/3/24	Y5/6 Cinema trip
13/3/24	Y3/4 cinema trip
14/3/24	Y4 Passion Play
21/3/24	Y6 Church Mass
<b>25/3/24</b>	<b><i>Holy week</i></b>
27/3/24	Break up for Easter holiday at 1:30pm
<b>29/2/24</b>	<b><i>Good Friday</i></b>
<b>31/3/24</b>	<b><i>Easter Sunday</i></b>

