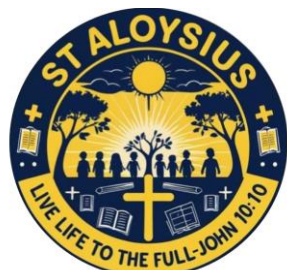


Key Stage

Newsletter



EYFS Nursery & Reception



Spring 2



Dear Parents and Carers,

What an exciting and memorable term we have had in Early Years. Highlights have been welcoming you into school and sharing our learning with you this term. The Nursery children could not wait to show their parents their classrooms and garden during the 'Stay and Plays' sessions and we are so proud of their enthusiasm toward their learning.

We had a wonderful time welcoming parents and grandparents into school to decorate Easter eggs together. The room was full of smiles, laughter, and lots of colourful creations.

It was a joy to have our Reception parents and carers join us for the class 'Celebration of the Word'. I am sure you will agree that the children were brilliant and so respectful during it and your support made it even more special.

Thank you so much for your contributions and dedication with the Lent in a bag. The children have been so proud to share their pictures, photos and thoughtful Lenten promises and we have enjoyed listening to them tell us about what they chose to do.

We have all been so pleased to welcome the nicer weather and have enjoyed our daily learning outside. The Secret Garden is full of daffodils and signs of Spring. With the weather beginning to improve, we kindly ask that children come to school with sun hats and once it is warmer have sunscreen applied before the school day so they can enjoy outdoor learning safely.

Thank you as always for your continued support! We hope you have a wonderful Easter break and look forward to another fun filled and engaging term ahead.

Mrs Cawthorn
Early Years Lead

Key Dates

Thursday 30th April- Rec AC/LMc visit to Library

Thursday 14th May- Rec MB visit to Library

Monday 18th May- Madd Stem Week

Thursday 21st May – Sponsored bounce for St Oswalds Hospice (More info to follow)

Friday 22nd May- School closes for half term

Reminders

- Please ensure all items of clothing and hats are labelled with your child's name clearly to help us to locate missing items.
- As the weather gets hotter next term, please ensure your child has a water bottle, hat and suncream in their bag.
- Follow our school Facebook page to see more photos of what we have been up to.



"My favourite author is Julia Donaldson cause I love her books" Rowan



" I liked dressing up for book day, it's so fun" Amelia B



WORLD BOOK DAY

5 MARCH 2026

We had a fabulous day celebrating world book day. The children loved showing their friends their amazing costumes and spending time with their reading buddies from key stage 2 reading in the garden. Nursery looked at the author Jill Murphy and listened to lots of her stories throughout the day. They talked about their favourite stories and drew pictures based on them. Reception learnt all about author and illustrator Eric Carle and had a go at designing and naming their very own bug in the style of his artwork. Some children produced collages and others used oil pastels to make their bugs bright and colourful!



Egg decorating

This is always a popular event in early years and we loved welcoming parents and grandparents into school to have fun and get creative with our little ones. Everyone did a brilliant job decorating.



Bishop visit

We had a very special visit from Bishop Stephen on the 12th March. We were so proud of how respectful and welcoming our children were. They had the chance to ask him questions, and he was extremely impressed with their excellent listening skills. Some of their questions were- "What Is your favourite time during Easter?" Elsie "Have you always wanted to be a Bishop?" Ethan



Bishop Stephen

Celebration of the Word

'As we prepare for Easter, children have been part of different celebrations in school such as assemblies, a Sorry Service and class led Celebration of the Word. We have been so impressed with how calm and respectful the children have been during prayerful moments. Thank you for coming in to share these special celebrations with us and for your continued support.'



Our Prayer Wall

In the Infant yard, we have all added a ribbon onto our Prayer wall and thought about a time when we have been sorry about something. We made the sign of the cross. Thank you for adding your ribbons after our class 'Celebration of the Word'.



St Oswald's
Hospice

Exotic animals

We had some very exciting creatures visit us this term when Emma brought in her exotic animals. The children showed amazing bravery and curiosity as they held and learned about them, making it an exciting and memorable experience for everyone. There are lots of photos on our school facebook page.

Peter Rabbit Tales on the Tyne
We had a very exciting delivery this term. Our very own Peter Rabbit sculpture arrived ready to be painted for St Oswalds ' Tales on the Tyne' trail this summer. Every child has been involved with designing and painting it and we can't wait to reveal our finished piece. We will be taking part in a sponsored bounce next term to raise money for St Oswalds and our sculpture will be on display in a fluffle of bunnies round Newcastle or North Tyneside between 15th July- 14th September.

