

Catholic Primary School

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<u>19th March 2021</u>

Spotlight on

What a busy week! As part of our Animal Kingdom theme, Year 4 have been learning about all things bug related. After finishing our final designs, we started to prepare our school grounds to make space for our mini-beast hotels.





In English, we researched the mini-beasts that we hope to provide shelter for. We are looking forward to creating information leaflets which will help other children learn about our hotels and the importance of the creatures that will live in them.





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Message from Headteacher

Dear parents, carers, grandparents and parishioners,

As we approach Easter, we need to make time to reflect and prepare. We have been asked by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales to make time on Tuesday 23rd March to share in the National Day of Reflection. The accompanying letter explains in full.

Many thanks to all the parents who participated in parents' night this week. I do hope this was a worthwhile attempt to provide the best we could in the current period of national lockdown. As with all new initiatives, we need to reflect and decide whether this is a platform we wish to invest in. Our teachers will discuss the positive and negative aspects of the platform. I ask parents who attended the meetings to share your thoughts too. Please click on the following link to complete the short online survey. Your feedback will inform our decision making process.

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You will receive your child's spring term report next week to supplement the information shared during your meetings. The curriculum knowledge organisers and medium term planning information will also be updated ready for the summer term. Click <u>https://www.st-annesrc.lancs.sch.uk/curriculum/whole-school-curriculum</u> for a direct link to our curriculum pages. Previous knowledge organisers are all available to enable you and your child to reflect on your favourite learning over the past year.

When we return to school after the Easter holidays on April 12th, children are to be in class between 8.45am to 8.55am, with the school day starting at 8.55am. The school day will finish for all children at 3.30pm. We understand there are difficulties in purchasing new shoes etc and I know every family will be trying their best to ensure their child is dressed in full school uniform. Bracelets, necklaces, rings etc are not allowed in school and children must ensure hair styles are smart and of natural colour. There can be no lines shaved into children's hair. Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Mr P Bates Headteacher



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Curriculum News

Nursery This week in Nursery we have been learning about spring. We have been talking about the weather in spring and what we may see happening in the world during spring. We knew that the rain and sun was helping to make our vegetables and flowers grow. We have also been getting excited because its nearly Easter! We have been talking about going to Church, the things we can see there and do and our experiences in Church.

Reception This week we have been learning more about spring and growth. We have planted lots of flowers and some vegetables in our outdoor area and watched our cress grow from seeds! We also learnt a little bit about St Patrick and Ireland and had a go at some Irish dancing - we had lots of fun! We have also continued to write our sentences and have been sharing quantities in maths.

Year 1 This week in English, the children have created their own No-Bot character and will work towards innovating the original story. In maths, the children can recognise coins and notes and match amounts to images of coins. In science, they created their own imaginary animal using structures of a variety of different animals and classifications.

Year 2 We have had another wonderful week in the 'Animal Kingdom'. In our Art session the children made collages using their favourite animal prints. They also learnt a crazy 'zootime' song in music! The children were amazing at picking out the pulse. They have also learned to write explanation texts to show how the lifecycle of the owl develops

Year 3 Year 3 have been researching animals of the world and in Maths they have been subtracting large numbers.

Year 4 Please see this week's spotlight.

Year 5 We've begun the English topic of Debating and are collecting information through note taking to help build up our knowledge, ready to debate the issue of deforestation of the Amazon Rainforest by the end of next week.

Year 6 We have bee investigating micro-organisms and how to activate yeast.

<u>FOOTBALL</u> From Monday 22nd March the children will be able to play football during break times. There will be a rota system in place. Children should not bring balls in, we will provide one per year group on their set day.



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Our Award Winners!

Star of the Week Mission Statement

Olivia D Florence F Ruby W Emilie H Niamh WM Harrison G Issy H Cory T Harry H Xaia H Isla May B Thomas H Eve D Cianan G

Madison A Scarlett Y Luca P Louis J Emily C Bella S Grace M Henry B Euan A Summer NS

Jude C

Wojciech Z

Harrison S

Sawyer R



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<u>EGGcellent News!!</u>



Our famous knitted Easter chicks will be on sale from Monday 22nd March. KS1 will be able to buy the small chicks for £1.50 (contain a crème egg.) KS2 have the choice of small chicks or 'monster chicks' (contain a medium egg plus buttons etc) for £5. All profits go to Alder Hey Children's Hospital.

Chicks will be in school on Friday 19th to quarantine before being distributed to each bubble separately on Monday. They will then only be handled by the child who buys them.

Thank you as always for your support. Over the last 10+ years we have raised more than £8,000!





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Pre – Loved Uniform

Dear Parents,

If you are looking for some spare / replacement uniform items, and want to help reduce uniform waste, please get in touch with our PTA Pre-loved Uniform service, to place an order.

We have **lots** of good quality blue summer dresses, pinafores (particularly infant sizes), shorts and skirts, and infant size cardigans and jumpers. We also have other items, but in smaller stock numbers.

All items are £1 and only **good quality** stock is passed on. You can try before you pay; return/ swap anything you don't want; and pay online.

So far, this eco-project has re-homed hundreds of items, and raised hundreds of pounds. Please continue to support it. It's a brilliant way to stop unused items going to the tip, whilst raising funds for the school PTA..

For orders, please contact <u>Stannesuniformspares@gmail.com</u> or message the Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/1078909592560768</u>

Thank you.

St. Anne's PTA.

Key Messages

Covid19

The key messages to try to reduce the spread of Covid-19 are:

Ensuring good hand washing routines using soap and hot water.

Adults and children to maintain a 2 metre distance wherever possible.

Parents and children not to gather at the start or end of the day on the school grounds.

<u>St Anne's Church Bulletin</u> is available on the Church website. A link is available at the bottom of every page on our school website: