



St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School



Headteacher: Mr John Entwistle

Welcome to this week's newsletter...



Easter message from Mr Entwistle...

Dear Parents,

Wow - where has this term gone? I have been reflecting and although it seems to have flown by we have fit in so much!

We have had 27 groups go on a whole variety of trips including visits to local places of worship, Avenham Park, Waterstones and the Young Voices Concert in Manchester. We have also had numerous groups compete in sporting events and have actually been very successful; we have had to get another cabinet because we have won so many trophies! We have even managed to get a team to the Regional Dodgeball Finals which we have never had before! Well done everyone.

As we finish today, our thoughts turn to Holy Week next week and in school we have been marking the run up to Easter in several ways. In class the children have been focussing on the Easter story, starting with Palm Sunday, then Maundy Thursday (when we remember the Last Supper and Jesus' arrest), Good Friday (when we remember Jesus dying on the cross) and finally Easter Sunday (when we remember Jesus rising from the dead). We have also been marking these events in our assemblies and in our Easter Reflection that was led amazingly well by our Y3 class. Please remember that if you are celebrating Easter, the Mass times for St Wilfrid's and our parish, St John XXIII are on their websites.



I wish everyone a Happy Easter and hope you all have a restful break.

I will also be remembering our Muslim families during the last few weeks of the holy month of Ramadan - may it bring joy, health and wealth to you all.

March's Value is **Patience and Tolerance**


Please can you re-enforce this at home with your children throughout March

Our Shining Light and Values Awards for today 31st March 2023 go to ...

	Shining Light	Value (Patience and Tolerance)	Dojo
Blossom	Amaan	Khadijah & Saarah	Abdullah Ahmed
Willow	Easa H & M- Ibrahim	Saarah	Isa V
Sycamore	Abdullah S	Ayesha	Muhammad
Beech	Mylah & Molly	Aleena	Andromeda & Aleena
Year 3	Ayesha	Matthew	Lopez
Year 3/4	Asiyah	Harriet	Yahya & Bilaal
Year 4/5	Aiden	Orion	Aleena
Year 5/6	Siya	Hussain	Muhammad P
Year 6	Mati	Hafsa	Hannah

Our Celebration Assembly Award winners for 31st March 2023



	Head Teacher's Award for Shining Light	Head Teacher's Award for Shining Star
Blossom	Musa	Kelly
Willow	Alayna	Isa N
Sycamore	Muhammad Zayd	Daniel
Beech	Davian	Faizah
Year 3	Ebrahim	Dawid
Year 3/4	Aamina Y	Harlee
Year 4/5	Adam A	Aiden
Year 5/6	Mariam	Ayush
Year 6	Vaishnavi	Natalia

SCHOOL
Attendance

	21 st - 24 th Feb	27 th - 3 rd March	6 th - 10 th March	13 th - 17 th March	20 th - 24 th March	27 th - 31 st March
Blossom	93.97%	96.54%	95.17%	85.86%	98.62%	96.21%
Willow	87.98%	96.79%	94.64%	90.36%	95.71%	93.97%
Sycamore	91.67%	93.00%	94.67%	93.33%	88.00%	94.67%
Beech	96.98%	96.55%	91.72%	92.07	97.59%	91.72%
Year 3	95.31%	95.63%	97.19%	95.94%	92.50%	90.94%
Year 3/4	96.88%	96.25%	95.31%	97.19%	97.50%	91.56%
Year 4/5	92.19%	98.13%	92.50%	92.50%	89.38%	96.25%
Year 5/6	97.66%	95.63%	93.75%	88.75%	91.25%	89.69%
Year 6	96.48%	97.19%	95.31%	91.56%	94.69%	96.56%



Easter Holiday

Our Easter Holiday is from Monday 3rd April 2023 to Friday 14th April 2023. School re-opens on Monday, 17th April 2023.

INSET Day

School will be closed on Friday 21st April 2023 as it is an Inset Day.



Our Easter Challenge 2023

This week has been the week of our traditional Easter challenge involving newspapers. The challenge this year was for our Junior pupils to make a parachute from newspaper that could hold a raw egg. Great fun was had by all the pupils during the designing, making and testing of their structures

and smashing the falling eggs! Well done everyone!



Infant Easter Egg and Bonnet Competition

We had some 'eggcellent' entries from our infant pupils to our Easter Egg and Bonnet competition. It was very difficult for Mrs O'Boyle to choose the winners as they were all so good! Well done to everyone that took part.

Here are the winners...



This Sunday, 2nd April 2023 is Palm Sunday



In this week's gospel we hear how crowds of people welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem shortly before he was crucified. We have palms to remind us of how the people cut branches and laid them in the road before him as they shouted with joy. We hear what Jesus does when his friend Lazarus becomes sick and dies.

Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

As Jesus and his disciples approached Jerusalem, they came to Bethphage at the Mount of Olives. There Jesus sent two of the disciples on ahead with these instructions: "Go to the village there ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied up with her colt beside her. Untie them and bring them to me. And if anyone says anything, tell him, 'The Master needs them'; and then he will let them go at once."

This happened in order to make what the prophet had said come true:

"Tell the city of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you!
He is humble and rides on a donkey
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

So the disciples went and did what Jesus had told them to do: they brought the donkey and the colt, threw their cloaks over them, and Jesus got on. A large crowd of people spread their cloaks on the road while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds walking in front of Jesus and those walking behind began to shout, "Praise to David's Son! God bless him who comes in the name of the Lord! Praise be to God!"

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was thrown into an uproar. "Who is he?" the people asked.

"This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth in Galilee," the crowds answered.