

ST MARIA GORETTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Values this month March—Humility and Gentleness

We begin Holy Week this Sunday. This is a special time for prayer and reflection. Please join us for Mass on Tuesday 26th March at 9am

Thank you to all of the parents who came to see your child's class teacher at parents evening. This was a great opportunity to find out how well your child is doing and to find out ways to support them with their learning. Another thank you goes to the parents who attended the SATS meeting for Y6 pupils.

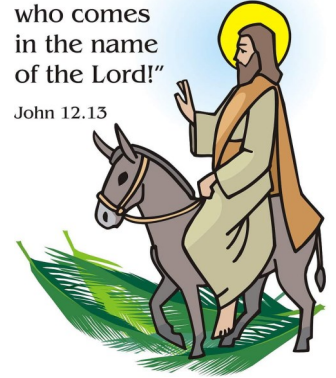
Sportscool will be running an Easter Holiday club from Monday 8th April-Thursday 11th April. All details have been sent out on dojo. Places are free for the children on Free School Meals and there is an option to pay for a place if not. They are looking forward to lots of fun and games each day. Lunch is provided.

For the families that are entitled, please don't forget to collect the £30 Free School Vouchers from the school office. The vouchers do have an expiry date so please use them during the holidays. Thank you.

Please can you make sure that your child has their PE kit in school with them every day. We do have the occasional sports coaches delivering sessions and on Tuesday (26th March) each class will be participating in a cricket session with members of the Lancashire Cricket Team. We do not want your child to miss out.

So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!"

John 12.13



No EARRINGS are allowed to be worn in school.

You will be called to come and remove them if your child is still wearing them.

On Thursday 28th March, school closes for the Easter break at 1:15pm. Your child can wear bright colours (own Clothes) on this day to bring in SPRING. This is in exchange of a chocolate egg for our raffle. Thank you in advance.

ABSENCE REPORTING

Can I make a polite request that parents call the office in advance to make an appointment to see a staff member as they are busy at the beginning and end of the school day ensuring the children are safe. If an appointment is made then the staff member can prepare for the meeting and the issue can be resolved or investigated thoroughly and swiftly. If your child is going to be late or has an appointment or is too unwell to attend school, **YOU MUST** telephone the office and inform us why. **YOU MUST CALL EVERYDAY THAT YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT.**

Y5 Hothersall Lodge

Monday 15th April is the deadline for all deposits and for all payment plans to be up to date. A message and a letter has been sent out already reminding you of this deadline. If no payments are made then your child's place will unfortunately be lost.

Car Park

A HUGE thank you to you all for supporting us with this matter and keeping our carpark safe. We still have an odd few parents who think the rule doesn't apply to them. If you could kindly remind them of your child's safety I think they may get the message soon. Thank you again!

Dates for your diary

Scientist day Monday 22nd April. The children can come to school dressed as scientists—there will be lots of fun experiments taking place on this day.

Thursday 25th April—Y3 will have a visit from dancers to celebrate dance being in the Olympics

Friday 26th April—Y4 visit to Liverpool Museum

SATs WEEK May 13th Thursday 16th

First Holy Communion day 9am Mass Sunday 19th May

If you have applied for a place for your child to start SMG in September you will find out on April 1st. Good Luck.!

Please ensure that all parentpay accounts are topped up and not in any debts. Please also make sure that breakfast club debts are cleared as your child's place will be lost if not.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and holy Easter whatever the weather!

Don't eat too many chocolate eggs!

Guide To Holy Week



Palm Sunday

Sunday before Easter. Celebration of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Observed with palm branches, parades, and celebration.



Maundy Thursday

Thursday before Easter. Commemorates the Last Supper. Often observed with foot washing, stripping of the altar, and overnight prayer vigil to keep watch with Jesus in the garden.



Good Friday

Friday before Easter. Most solemn day of the church year. Observes the day Jesus was crucified. Observed by praying the Stations of the Cross and three hours of silent prayer while Jesus was on the cross.



Holy Saturday

Saturday before Easter. Observes the day Jesus was in the tomb. This is a day of somber reflection, reflecting on what we'd miss in a world without Jesus.



Easter Sunday

Hallelujah! Christ has risen! This day we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Sing hallelujahs and celebrate with great joy.

