

St Ursula's Catholic Primary School

Weekly News Bulletin

Friday 28th March

School Values Winners

Key Stage 1 & EYFS

Faith – Dorothea
Respect – Milan
Kindness – Meme
Honesty - Margaret
Resilience – Obinna

Key Stage 2

Faith – Lilian
Respect – Hosanna
Kindness – Isabella
Honesty - Ubanna
Resilience - Amara

Whole School



After a tournament with a group phase and four knockout rounds, the Champion of the 2024-2025 St Ursula's Chess Tournament is officially declared as **Matas** from St Matthew's. Well done, Matas!



COINS FOR CAFOD!

**THIS LENT WE ARE WALKING TO
REACH THOSE IN GREATEST
NEED, SAVE LIVES AND RELIEVE
SUFFERING.**



**The Faith in Action
Team will be
collecting cash donations on Friday 4th
April before school at drop-off.**



**Please support our efforts in completing the Big Lent
Walk by bringing in any loose change or coins.**
**Alternatively, please visit our [JustGiving](#)
Page.**



**Thank you to everyone who has already brought back a donation in
your envelope. It has been gratefully received.**



Reminder that on Wednesday 2nd April (World Autism Day) we are hoping to raise money to support the Sycamore Trust by taking part in the 'Dare to be Different' campaign. The idea behind this is twofold. Firstly to raise some money to support the trust with the work that they do and secondly to raise awareness of Autism in general. Therefore we are asking the children to wear whatever they want to school on the 2nd April and bring along a contribution for the charity. Some ideas include

odd socks, pyjamas, a football kit, a special hat, glasses, bright clothes or accessories. It doesn't matter as long as it's different!



Nursery

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Please make sure that your child is able to tie their own shoelaces, particularly if their school shoes have shoelaces. We have a lot of children trying (with limited success) to tuck laces into their shoes and this acts as a significant trip hazard.

Please either purchase shoes with Velcro, no-tie lock-laces or teach them how to tie their laces.



Also, a reminder that trainers are not school shoes and these should only be worn on PE days.

Tutorials are available online, such as the examples below:

The Kidsplainer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c79wsBqDW1A>

Nick Jr: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zeuEwKbbN_Q

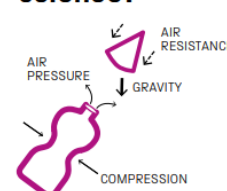
Jess – My OT and Me:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLwx9xqU4Y2d7ZLfORnc7XrsEwuHfjinFa>



On Monday, we are going to be building bottle-rocket launchers for Science. Please provide your child with an empty plastic bottle or milk carton – the bigger the better!

What's the science?



Year 4

Year 5

Shoe Laces & Ties

Just like Year 3, we have a few children that are not able to tie their shoe laces or do their tie accurately. Can these skills be worked on at home please. Many thanks.

Swimming

Year 5 will be going swimming during the Summer Term. We have arranged for St. Teresa's Class to go swimming after the Easter holidays and St. Thomas' Class will go during Summer Term 2 – please see the dates below (Red dates = St. Teresa's, Blue dates = St. Thomas'):

Thursday 1/05/25, Thursday 8/05/25, Thursday 15/05/25, Thursday 22/05/25 and Thursday 5/06/25 (The 5/6/25 session will be after half term to ensure fair coverage for Year 5).

Thursday 12/06/25, Thursday 19/06/25, Thursday 26/06/25, Thursday 03/07/25 and Thursday 10/07/25.

We will be travelling to the pool by public transport where possible, if unavailable we will be walking. Pupils will be leaving school at 12.50 pm and aiming to return by 2.40 pm.

Please provide your child with a towel and swimming kit every Thursday. This must include an appropriate swimming costume or swimming trunks and a swimming hat, as it is the policy of Central Park Leisure Centre that every child must wear one. Swimming hats can be purchased from leisure centres, Amazon or sports stores and they can be any colour. Please check at home that your child knows how to put on their swimming hat, and that it fits. Please ensure that your child brings their swimming kit in a rucksack that they can carry, as they will need to carry it to and from lessons.

Children do not need to bring talcum powder, deodorant, soaps or snacks with them; however, they may need a comb or hairbrush if they have long hair. All medication will be taken to the swimming pool for children with medical needs. Children should be wearing their PE kit to school on swimming days and will need to ensure they have both their PE jumper and a coat in school.

Year 6

St. Matthew's

We have spoken to Miss Gilligan today and we are hopeful of her return to school after the Easter holidays. Upon her return to school, a Parents' Evening will be arranged.

St Joseph's

Church Community

Easter Egg Donations

Thank you for the donations of Easter Eggs - they have been collected by the church ready for Easter. We appreciate your generosity and support.

Girls' Club

The Girls' Club's last session will be on Friday 28th March. It will resume on Friday 25th April.