



## St John's Catholic Primary School



**Newsletter: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**Next newsletter: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

### Early Years Parents Meeting

What a great turn out! Thank you to all of the parents who attended. There was lots of positive feedback and hopefully this has given you a more in-depth understanding of the Early Years Curriculum and how you can support your children at home during this crucial stage of their development.



If you missed the meeting – please drop into the Office if you would like a copy of the handouts distributed.

### Stations of the Cross

KS2 parents are invited to the Church on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March for a Stations of the Cross Prayer and Reflection. This will begin at 3pm, please arrive 5 minutes before the start time.

We hope many of you will be able to come and pray with us during Lent.

### Easter Hat Parade

This will take place on the final day of term (**Friday March 31<sup>st</sup>**). The theme for this year links in with our fundraising appeal for Lent.

**The theme is 'My wish for the world.'** Some suggestions include a wish for world peace, a wish for all children to have an education, a wish for an eco friendly world.....

We look forward to seeing how creative and imaginative the Easter Hats are this year!

Judging will take place at Surrey Quays Shopping Centre and all are welcome. We are grateful to Tesco's for their support in making this such a special annual event!

### Framed Picture Sale

To raise money for the Starlight Charity the children of the Spiritual Life Committee, School Council and Green Team have organised for children to create pictures of 'Wishes and Dreams'. **These pictures will be framed to sell to parents. This will take place on Monday March 27<sup>th</sup> from 3pm.** The Gates will open earlier and they will be sold at the back of each classroom. **The cost of these is £3** and each child from Nursery through to Year 6 will have a picture for sale.

If you have older children who go home alone, please send them into school on Monday with £3 for the picture.

If you have more than 2 children we are happy for you to give £6 to the charity for all of the pictures. Please see the Office if you would like to arrange this.

**Remember – all of the profits go to the charity the children have chosen for Lent.**



Starlight brightens the lives of seriously and terminally ill children by wish granting and also by providing fun, entertainment, laughter and distraction for children in every children's hospital ward and hospice throughout the United Kingdom.

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2pm**

**On our final day of term, school will close at 2pm. Please make a note of this early finishing time.**



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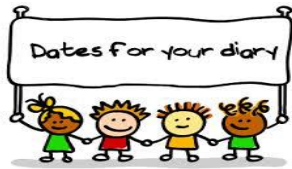


## School Funding Crisis

Schools in Southwark are predicted to be worst hit by the Government's National Funding Formula, with estimates of future cuts of **£1, 024 per pupil per year!**

Where are schools going to make the cuts?? Staff? Educational trips? Extra curricular activities? Pupil resources?

Please register your support against these cuts and for fairer funding for all by visiting [www.fairfundingforallschools.org](http://www.fairfundingforallschools.org) and signing the on-line petition, which is a good first step.



**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** – Group of Yr 6 children to celebrate 'WE DAY LONDON'

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** – Yr 1 trip to Unicorn Theatre (Velveteen Rabbit)

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March** – KS2 Stations of the Cross 3pm at the Church – all welcome

## Attendance - 06/03/2017- 17/03/2017

Reception – 93.85%

Year 1 –96.05%

Year 2 – 94.30%

Year 3 – 95.11%

Year 4 – 96.62%

Year 5 – 94.54%

Year 6 – 98.50%

**Well done Year 6!**

## Celebrating Success

### KS1

Today we took our learning outside; with our handmade palms we had our own Palm procession. We sang 'Sing Hosanna' and waved our Palms as Jesus passed by. We also spoke about how Jesus and the crowds felt.



### KS2

## Federation Sports Afternoon



Year 4 had the opportunity this week to meet their St. James the Great counterparts and have a game of football (for the boys) and cricket (for the girls). Both schools really enjoyed the chance to meet new people.

'I really enjoyed making new friends and playing sports together,' said Osahan.

## Time and Talents

Over the past 2 weeks some children have worked with local senior citizens on an Intergenerational Art Project. This was a great honour to be asked and the positive behaviour and attitude of the pupils is to be commended.

