

## St John's Catholic Primary School



### Newsletter: March 21st 2016

Next Newsletter: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April

### End of Term

Thank you to all Parents and Carers for your support this term. It has been a busy term and the children have benefited from a wealth of opportunities and experiences. As we break up, we would like to take this opportunity to wish all families a Happy and Holy Easter.

**The children will finish at 2pm on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March. School opens for the children on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 8.55am.**

You will receive a Newsletter on the first day back and then it will be every fortnight.

### Easter Hat Parade

Theme: Love of Reading or Books



Our annual Easter Hat Parade will take place on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March**. We will leave the school after registration and parade to Surrey quays Shopping Centre.

We have chosen the theme of Reading and Books for the Easter Hat Parade to fit in with our whole school focus of engaging children in reading for pleasure.

You might like to design a hat based around a particular favourite story or you might like the design to reflect many different books.

We look forward to seeing the amazing creations! And, as always, we would like to remind you to recycle and reuse materials when making your hats!

**We welcome parents to this celebration, however please can we remind you that photographs must not be taken of the children, as there are children for whom we do not have permission for photographs to be taken.** As always, there will be a selection of photographs on the school website. If you are new to the school you might like to have a look at photographs from previous years.

### Events for this week

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** - Year 1 trip to The Museum of Childhood.

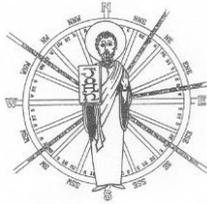
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### Friends of St. Johns

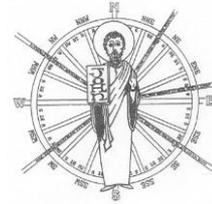
The first event to be held by this newly formed group is the second hand uniform sale. This will take place on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March after school from 3.30pm in the School Hall. We hope to see lots of you supporting this first event.

If you have any unwanted or outgrown uniform that you would be happy to donate that is in good condition, please do let the Office know.





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## Celebrating Success

### Book Week Sponsored Read

Thank you for returning the forms and the sponsorship money and encouraging your child to read regularly.

We are delighted to announce that this has raised £872.27 for our school and we will receive books from Osborne to this amount. All children who participated received a voucher to purchase books for themselves. Well done to Year 1 who have raised the most money, a fantastic £188.50!

Also another well done to Colean and Janice, whose form was picked from our lucky dip to receive a special prize.

### CAFOD

This week in assembly a speaker from Cafod explained about the work of this Catholic charity and the fund raising project 'Make a Splash'.

We have made a great start to this fund-raising with the playtime biscuit sales. Thank you for supporting this. We have made £63.51 so far for the charity and we will continue with our fund-raising in April as it is part of our work for the Year of Mercy. The amount we collect will be match funded by the Government. This means that the biscuit sales will actually result in £127.02 being donated to Cafod.

### EYFS

The Reception Class assembly was fantastic last week. It showed how the children develop their skills and knowledge through all seven areas of the Early Years curriculum and how we integrate our Catholic faith into this. It was well supported by families and it was lovely to see our youngest children speaking and singing so confidently.



### KS1

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March Year 2 enjoyed a multisport celebration as part of Sports Relief. The children participated in many sporting events including a fun run in which they had to dress up!

Florence said 'Today we went to Bacon's College for Sports Relief. We did lots of activities. I really enjoyed it when we threw wet sponges at the helpers. We looked the best with all our costumes on, I wore funny glasses.'

### KS2

Year 6 have been learning about sustainability this term. As part of this they researched the WEEE man, a sculpture made from recycled electric equipment. They then had the challenge of making their own version out of newspaper.

'I found it interesting that the amount the WEEE man is made from is how much a family throw away in a life time,' Christopher explained.

'I enjoyed using recycled materials to make my own model', Chukwuma stated.

### Attendance

Reception 96.9%

Year 1 95.6%

Year 2 89.7%

Year 3 97.5%

Year 4 94.4%

Year 5 95%

Year 6 97.4%

**Well done Year 3!**