



St John's Catholic Primary School



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Lent

We began the season of Lent with KS2 pupils attending the Parish Mass on Ash Wednesday. The younger children were blessed with ashes in a school assembly with Father Azad.



The Spiritual Life Committee, School Council and the Green Team have decided that during the season of Lent St. John's School will support 'The Trussell Trust Charity'. Look out for more details over the coming weeks.



Easter Hat Parade

The theme for this year's Easter Hat Parade is going to be 'We love to learn!' following on from the PSHE focus we have had earlier on in the term 'Secrets to Success'- please ask your child what they covered in these lessons.

Your hat might show a favourite subject or topic, it might demonstrate the skills needed to be a lifelong learner. It might even showcase the wonderful opportunities for learning outside the classroom, which we believe is so important to open up the world for the children of St John's.

It could even be based on a quote. Did you know Winston Churchill said, 'Success consists of going from failure to failure without loss of enthusiasm.'

Big Battery Hunt



The battery collection is going well. Every child has a box to collect batteries in – please help your child to search for old batteries so that they are recycled and do not end up in landfills.

School Uniform Policy

We have the highest expectations with regards to school uniform and appearance. As mentioned previously, we are having a **zero tolerance approach**. We have noticed that some children are wearing sports branded trainers, these are not school shoes!

World Book Day Book Tokens



Unfortunately the book tokens did not arrive this week, as soon as we receive them, we will give them to the children.

Signing of Passports/Citizenship papers

Some documentation for passports/citizenship papers require sensitive personnel data regarding school staff, which we as teachers, are not obliged to divulge. Please do not be offended if we refuse to sign documentation that requires such sensitive personnel information.



Celebrating success Money Week - What a success!



'My Money Week' was a huge success last week. The children had a great week learning all about money and enjoying various activities throughout the week. As always, the costumes on Wednesday were phenomenal and children loved showing off their amazing attire on the catwalk in the playground. Prizes were given to the most original ideas. All classes had a chance to spend their money in the school shop while being served by various classes throughout the week. Children enjoyed money quizzes in the playcentre and some of you have returned the £20 challenge family projects. Thank you to all parents/carers for their ongoing support during themed weeks.



- Tuesday 12th March** – Reception Class Assembly
- Thursday 14th March** – Year 2 trip to Tower Bridge
- Thursday 14th March** – School Council - 8.45am
- Tuesday 19th March** – Year 4 Class Assembly
- Thursday 21st March** – Year 6 trip to the Education Centre at the Royal Albert Hall
- Thursday 28th March** – Year 4 Golf trip
- Tuesday 2nd April** – Year 6 Class Assembly
- Friday 5th April** – School finishes at 2pm
- Tuesday 23rd April** – INSET day

Year 5 – The Natural History Museum

Year 5 took part in a Volcanoes and Earthquakes workshop at the Natural History Museum. The children visited the Earthquake Room in the museum where they experienced what a real earthquake feels like. They then got the opportunity to become volcanologists themselves. They were even awarded with an accredited Diploma in Earthquakes and Volcanoes for completing tasks such as measuring an earthquake using a seismometer.



Attendance 04/02/19-15/02/19

- Reception – 97.55%
- Year 1 – 98%
- Year 2 – 96.55%
- Year 3 – 97.37%
- Year 4 – 95.76%
- Year 5 – 96.89%
- Year 6 – 95.91%



Congratulations to Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 3 for reaching the target of 97%

How delighted we are to notice that 3 of the classes reached 97% and above. Children enjoy coming to St John's and love to learn!