



April Newsletter 2023

"Faith We live it, Love it And Learn it."

Headteacher: Mrs K. Bickley



Dear Parents/carers

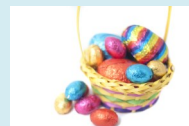
I hope everyone is well and looking forward to the Easter break. I know the children are! It has been a busy term in school for the children and staff. We have come together as a school community in faith and prayer and this week our final week we are walking in Jesus' footsteps as we remember the events of Holy week.

The children are continuing to become more knowledgeable during their lessons across all subjects we teach. Our expectations are high and we are encouraging the children to aim high. We are using 'blue dots' in the children's books to set challenging tasks and they are responding well to these challenges.

Next term we are making some minor changes to the school day. The lunch time break will commence from: 12:00 to 1:00pm for both Key Stages 1 and 2.

We will ensure that the children are given time to eat their lunch and play outside and then be ready for their learning from 1.00pm promptly.

In the meantime, I hope that everyone has a great Easter holiday. Enjoy your Easter eggs. We look forward to welcoming you back at the start of the Summer term. *Best wishes Mrs. K. Bickley*



Reflection for the month of April

The celebration of Easter marks the day we celebrate Jesus Christ rising from the dead. Jesus is the Son of God and he gave his life to die for our sins. On the third day after He died, Easter Sunday His friends went to His tomb, and found that He had risen from the dead. They saw an angel who told them, "Don't be afraid! I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here! He has been raised from the dead, just as He said it would happen.



The Bible says, "God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life" Jesus offers us the gift of eternal life.

We make mistakes - all of us have done, said or thought things that are wrong this separates us from God. We can ask Jesus Christ to forgive our sins and pray to him.

"Lord Jesus, I believe you are the Son of God. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins. Please forgive my sins and give me the gift of eternal life. I ask you into my life and heart to be my Lord and Saviour. I want to serve you always." Amen

Attendance

Well Done to Year 6 for excellent attendance during the month of March.



Nursery - 89.4%

Reception – 94.1%

Year 1 – 93.5%

Year 2 – 91.1%

Year 3 – 91.1%

Year 4 – 94.8%

Year 5 – 91.8%

Year 6 – 96.7%

Dates

Summer Term 1

17th April Start back to school.

19th April Year 1 Inspire Workshop: all parents welcome to join

22nd April Year 1 Mass at Church 5.30pm

24th—28th April Year 5 PGL Residential Trip

24th April 2pm Mass to celebrate St George's Feast Day

27th April Year 3 Inspire Workshop for parents

29th Year 3 Mass at Church 5.30pm

PTFA Events

21st April— school uniform sale in music room from 3:15pm

21st May— Knowle Fun Run

30th June — Summer Fayre



Just a reminder the Summer Terms dates are:

Starts: Monday 17th April 2023

(Bank Holidays Monday 1st May, Monday 8th May)

Half Term: Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June

Ends: Tuesday 25th July 2023

INSET DAYS: Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th July 2023

SOLIHULL GREENER AWARD

St George and St Teresa School Council

proudly received confirmation of the Solihull Greener Award – Level 1 and 2 this week. Mr Tony Elvin, General Manager of Touchwood Shopping Centre has become our business sponsor in recognition of Environmental and Green activities the school has undertaken. The school has been given a large compost bin, two planters, a range of small gardening tools and some lovely gardening gloves! The Councillors eagerly explained the different campaigns and activities the school had completed; including Fairtrade Fortnight, Switch off Fortnight, the Big Plastic Count, Regular litter picks at school, re-designing the prayer garden and creating an applique project in conjunction with Knowle and Dorridge W.I. for Cop 26 in Glasgow.

We will soon be creating compost from our fruit and vegetable waste from the classrooms and the school kitchen!



CAFOD's Big Lent Walk!



Thank You! We did our big Lentern walk, around and around the playground! The children really embraced the challenge and kept super fit at the same time, All of the money you raised will go to Cafod and as a school we are delighted to have helped. Thank you for your generosity it is much appreciated. The grand total was **£1064.50**.

Summer Term: staffing update

Year 5 will be taught by Mrs. C Grimley on Mondays and Tuesdays each week. On Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays Mrs. M Campbell, an experienced teacher will be teaching the class.

Year 4 class will now benefit from Mrs Reynolds working on Fridays We are very grateful for Mrs C Grimley's hard work in year 4 for the autumn and spring terms. Year 4 and 5 parents please check the letter sent on 30/3/23.

Holy Week, Triduum and Easter Services. At St George and St Teresa's Church

Palm Sunday blessing and distribution of palms at each mass. Stations at 5pm

Tuesday 4th April Lent Penitential Service and Confession starting at 7pm

Maundy Thursday 7pm. Mass of the Lord's Supper & Watching until 10pm

Good Friday. 10.30am Children's Stations of the Cross (Parish Centre)

3pm Passion, Veneration and Holy Communion

7pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday 8pm The Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday 8.45am and 10.30am