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Together we are exploring our special gifts; Together we are growing towards God

Your Tuesday News 2nd April 2019

'TOGETHER WE ARE GROWING TOWARDS GOD'

Worship

In worship yesterday, we shared Sunday's Gospel reading which was the Parable of the Prodigal Son. We explored the themes of being sorry and forgiveness. We looked at how everybody makes mistakes and how important it is to say sorry for these mistakes. However, the most important thing is that we show we are sorry and try to make up for it. We also then discussed how even more important, although sometimes difficult, it is to forgive somebody. We shared the Parable of the Prodigal Son together and noticed the point at which the son showed he was sorry and how his father forgave him, just like God always forgives us when we are sorry. We prayed together and set our mission for the week, which has two parts: to show that we are sorry and to forgive those who show us they are sorry.



Lenten prayers will take place once again this Thursday at 8:30am in the small hall. This week we will be following stations 10 and 11 of the Stations of the Cross and everyone is warmly invited to come and join us.

Thank you again to our Mini Vinnies for planning and leading a beautiful worship in Y2 last week, which was all about Lent. This Friday, they will be leading a worship with Year 3 children.

God Bless from Mr Copley and Mrs Haines

Music in March

The children have enjoyed some fantastic musical experiences throughout March and we are sad to see the end of it. The Singathon last week was a huge success and the children really sung their hearts out and raised £35. We rounded it off by singing in the playground which was brilliant! Despite it being April, we have one more 'Live for 5' this Tuesday, with a world class cellist who is a member of the Carducci Quartet. They have performed all over the world and are very highly respected. We are lucky to be catching her for 5 minutes and very excited to hear some beautiful cello music! There will be a music concert after the Easter Holidays to showcase what each class have been learning in Music recently. Watch this space for the date...

If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils, please ask to speak to Mr Copley, Mrs Haines, Miss Burgess or Mrs Laptew

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS:

Our Attendance Target for this year is 97%



Year 6 are our attendance champions for last week. Well done Year 6.

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE w/b 25.03.19.	%ATTENDANCE this year to date
FS2	96.13	96.44
Year 1	97.42	96.32
Year 2	96.77	97.49
Year 3	97.86	97.34
Year 4	97.10	97.03
Year 5	94.52	97.42
Year 6	99.29	97.76
Average	97.01%	97.11%

TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

Well done to our Merit Winners last week: Sarah Ahmed, Lincoln Stanley, Mia James, Flo Underwood, Eve Jakubiak, Callum Butterfield and Sienna Lacey.

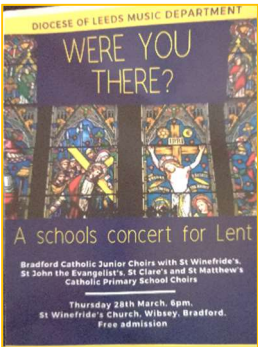
Mr Copley and Mrs Haines' Headteacher's Award was presented to Tony Adakpa for always doing the right thing and being kind to everyone.

The Big Cat Merit went to Ava Green for doing really well in her reading and in her reading assessments, she moved up a level.

Well done and thank you to Year 3 for a wonderful rendition of the poem 'A Mother's Love' as part of our performance poetry programme. It was a lovely performance for all their parents, carers and families, but in particular for all the mums for Mother's Day. On Friday 12th April, Reception Class children will perform their chosen poem at the beginning of Merit worship at 8:55am. This will be the first time the children have performed in the large hall in front of a big audience so we wish them good luck. We know they will be wonderful as always!



Congratulations to Beth in Y4 who performed with Bradford Catholic Junior Choir at St Winefride's Church last Thursday evening as part of the Leeds Diocese Music Department's Concert for Lent. The children all performed very well indeed and the singing was beautiful. Well done!






At the weekend Charlie and Emma Thomas competed in the bjj junior nationals down in Wolverhampton and both won silver medals we are very proud of this amazing achievement well done Charlie and Emma.

On Thursday night last week Adam did his karate grading and passed to the next level. He is now a purple and orange belt. Not only that but Adam was awarded star performer in his class and received an award for his performance and attitude towards his karate.



Breakfast Club

For safeguarding reasons can parents and children who **do not** come to breakfast club **not** go onto the muga pitch when children from breakfast club are in there. This is to ensure the safety of children at breakfast club.

#		Pupil
1.		Rhys Leak
2.		Sienna Lacey
3.		Lucas Heppleston



#	Group	Score
1.	Year 2	212,388,751
2.	Year 6	190,635,686
3.	Year 4	127,020,217
4.	Year 5	74,274,705
5.	Year 3	52,956,554
6.	Year 1	36,350,582

Student Takeover Day!

This Friday, 5th April, children from all classes will have the opportunity to 'takeover' the many different roles around school at different points in the day. Some children will take over as office managers, some as teachers, some as cleaning staff, and some as senior leaders, among many other roles. For the privilege of getting to do this, we ask children to bring in a donation of money, no matter how big or small, which will all go towards the Good Shepherd Appeal - our chosen charity this Lent.

Egg Decorating Competition

It's time for the children to get creative over the last two and half weeks of the Spring term! We are running an egg decorating competition as our final fundraising activity for Lent. The children are asked to decorate their own hard boiled egg. It will cost £1 to enter the competition and the children have free rein to decorate the eggs however they wish. The competition will be judged by our Student Council who have worked hard all the way through Lent to organise and promote the different fundraising activities each week. The makers from each year group of the most creative and impressive eggs will win a prize. To enter, please fill out the slip on the back of the Tuesday News and return, along with the decorated egg, no sooner than **on the last day of term**, Wednesday 17th April. We can't wait to see the 'eggcellent' entries.



Dragon Boat Festival



On Saturday 22nd June, a team of staff from St Francis will be rowing for their lives on 'Frank's Banter Boat' as part of the Bradford Dragon Boat Festival at Robert's Park in Saltaire! Seventeen members of staff plus three in reserve and many others supporting in other ways will be taking part in this mighty challenge. As part of our challenge, we are raising money for the Lord Mayor's Appeal, which this year is supporting Night Stop Bradford and Sue Ryder Manorlands Hospice. To kick start our fundraising, we are holding a sponsored row event in the small hall on Friday 12th April, where both staff and children from Y5 and Y6 will all take turns at rowing in an attempt to reach a target distance. Year 5 and Year 6 parents should look out for a sponsor form coming home this week. Children and families from other classes can opt to sponsor a member of staff or child in Y5 or Y6. Alternatively, you can simply make a donation no matter how small or large, which can be sent into their child's class teacher on Friday 12th April. We are very grateful to Core Gym in Greengates for supporting us in this event by supplying us with a rowing machine for the day.



After School Club

We hope all the Mother's enjoyed their gifts that the children made last week. This week the children will be starting Easter crafting activities. With the lighter evenings and (hopefully) warmer weather on the horizon, the children will be spending more time outdoors in the garden and playing in the muga pitch.

Book Title	Author	Book Title	Author
Fish	Honor Head	Goodnight, Baby Bat	Debi Gilori
Dark Lord: The Teenage Years	Jamie Thomson	1001 Really Ridiculous Silly Jokes	Clive Gifford
Boom! 50 Fantastic Science Experiments to Try at Home	Chris Smith	Football number crunch : figures, facts and soccer stats	The World of Football
Wolf Boy	Andrew Fusek Peters	Falling skies	
In Darkling Wood	Emma Carroll	James’s Giant Bug Book	Roald Dahl
Brothers to the Death	Darren Shan	The Superior Venom	Dan Slott
Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland	Lewis Carroll	Spider-Men	Brian Michael Bendis
Jet the Rescue Dog and Other Extraordinary Stories of Animals in Wartime	David Long	Spider-Man – into the spider verse: The official guide	Shari L
The Wizard of Oz	L Frank Baum	Josie’s Lost Tooth	Jennifer K. Mann
The Phantom of the Opera	Joeming Dunn	Lucy Longwhiskers Gets Lost	Daisy Meadows
Fire Witch	Matt Ralphs	A Home for Molly	Holly Webb
Champion Horse	Jane Smiley	Mia Floppyyear’s Snowy Adventure	Daisy Meadows
Olivia’s enchanted Summer	Lyn Gardner	Street Dance	Emma Torrington
Numbers	David Melling	Animals	Rebecca Risman
Wild Horses	Sally Morgan	The Sleepy Snowy Owl	Amelia Cobb
Cheat Code	Jeremy Lawson	How the Grinch Stole Christmas	Dr Seuss
Kart Racer	Paul Mason	Gymastics Glory	Rosie Banks
The Tentacles of Doom!	Andi Watson	Green Eggs and Ham	Dr Seuss
Kathryn the PE Fairy	Daisy Meadows	All New Avengers Assemble	
At the Airport	Richard Spilsbury	Just Joking – 300 jokes, tricky tongue twisters, and riddles	
The Legend of Frog	Guy Bass	Guinea Pigs	JoAnn Early Macken
Kitty the Tiger Fairy	Daisy Meadows	Cats	Louise and Richard Spilsbury
My Adorable Puppy	Sarah Hawkins	The Story of Anne Frank	Brenda Ralph Lewis
Lydia the Reading Fairy	Daisy Meadows	Swop	Hilary McKay
Fantastic Beasts and where to find them	J.K.Rowling	Golf – from tree to green	Clive Gif
Horse Sense & Horse Power	Bonnie Bryant	Maltilda Fluffywing Helps Out	Daisy Meadows
Lulu and the Hedgehog in the Rain	Hilary McKay	Slappy’s Tales of Horror	R.L. Stine

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I have enclosed £1 for my entry ☐ (Please return on the last day of term, Wednesday 17th April)



All proceeds go to The Good Shepherd our Lenten charity.