



TUESDAY NEWS

Headteacher: Mrs A. Haines
Deputy Headteacher: Miss S. Burgess

27th February 2024



Catholic Life and Collective Worship

Yesterday in worship, we explored Mark's Gospel reading about the transfiguration. Jesus, with three of his disciples, had gone up a mountain to escape the business of the town and the work they had been doing spreading the good news about God. Whilst there, Jesus began to transfigure and Moses and Elijah appeared alongside him. God then spoke to the disciples and told them, "This is my Son, the Beloved." It was a clear sign that Jesus was the Messiah.



Our theme this year throughout Lent is:
We Walk With Christ to the Cross



Stations of the Cross

Every Thursday at 8.30am, we will visit two or three of the Stations of the Cross in the small hall. This is just 10 minutes before the start of the school day for children, parents and staff to come together in prayer and reflection as we prepare for Holy Week. It would be lovely to see you all there.

Our Mini Vinnies have been working hard to organise some weekly fundraising events to support the annual Good Shepherd Appeal in aid of Catholic Care, which Bishop Marcus asks us to support. The donations which Catholic Care receives through the Good Shepherd Appeal are vital to enabling the Charity to respond to the ever-increasing needs of our neighbours living in our own communities. Fundraising will take place each Friday as follows:



- Friday 1st March: Name the Easter Bunny – £1 to enter
- Friday 8th March – Spring Cafe after school – donations
- Friday 15th March – Wacky hair day/wear purple to school day – £1
- Friday 22nd March – Easter bonnet competition – £1 to enter



Thank you to everyone who supported the Mini Vinnies' clothes bank – pay as you feel, last Friday. They seem to have caught the bug for helping others by sharing clothes and so will do another 'pop up' very soon. Details to follow later.

On Wednesday, 27th March (our last day of term), children in Y4 will lead a whole school full Stations of the Cross in the large hall. Our Children's Choir will lead the singing and everyone is invited to attend.

LAST WEEK IN SCHOOL....

Well done and thank you to our chaplains for leading a beautiful worship in EYFS all about the importance of prayer as 'we walk with Christ to the cross' this Lent.



COMING UP SOON...

Thursday 7th March,

PFA School Discos – more info below...

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day

Children are invited to come to school dressed in their pyjamas with their favourite bedtime story or dressed as their favourite BOOK (not film) character, again bringing a copy of that book with them to share with the rest of their class.

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Diary Dates

Day	Date	Time	Year Group	Event
Friday	1st March	N/A	All	Name the Easter Bunny fundraiser
Wednesday	6th March	11:30-12:30pm	Y4	Come Dine With Me
Thursday	7th March	N/A	All	World Book Day
Friday	8th March	3pm - 3:45pm	All	Mini Vinnies' Spring Cafe fundraiser
Friday	15th March	N/A	All	Wacky hair/dress in purple fundraiser
Monday	18th March	3:30-5:30pm	All	Parent Consultation Evening
Wednesday	20th March	11:30-12:30pm	Y6	Come Dine With Me
Thursday	21st March	3:30-7:30pm	All	Parent Consultation Evening
Friday	22nd March	N/A	All	Easter Bonnet competition
Wednesday	27th March	9am	Y4 and whole school	Stations of the Cross
Wednesday	27th March	N/A	All	Break up for Easter holidays
Monday	8th April	N/A	All	School reopens

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

CONGRATULATIONS to Etta in FS2 for receiving Mrs Haines' Headteacher Award for being an absolute joy! Etta is everything that we want a St Francis child to be! She is an excellent friend, she works very hard and is a wonderful role model.



CONGRATULATIONS to Ava in Y2 for receiving the Big Cat Reading Award for being a super reader! We have been really impressed by Ava's dedication to her reading. She reads regularly in school and at home and is great at filling in her reading record, even doing this herself!



WELL DONE to all our Class Merit Winners last week

FS1: Violet & Elliot

FS2: Albert

Y1: Rain

Y2:

Y3: Dua

Y4: Treasure

Y5: Kayla

Y6: Isabelle



NOTICES



Spring DISCO

Back by popular demand! The PFA will be running more of their ever-popular school discos on Thursday 7th March.

FS2/KS1: 4:45pm–5:45pm

KS2: 6pm–7pm

Tickets cost £5 and include sweets, crisps, drink and a glow stick. Please order and pay for tickets on Parent Pay.

Dance Club Opportunity

To sign your child up please follow these steps:

1. Go to the YACAD website www.yacad.co.uk
2. The Academy
3. Dance
4. School Parent Portal

Or you can follow this link below:
<https://www.yacad.co.uk/school-dance-booking>

For all enquiries, please contact jess@yacad.org.

Bradford Catholic Youth Choir is auditioning!

The Bradford Catholic Youth Choirs, supported by the Diocese of Leeds and our Blessed Christopher Wharton Catholic Academy Trust are hosting auditions for their Senior Choirs. Choral directors work at our school delivering singing sessions to our children and they are impressed with the talented voices we have.

Places available for:

Senior Boys' Choir (Boys from Years 4 to 6)
Senior Girls' Choir (Girls from Years 5 and 6 only)

Sunday 3rd of March, 2pm-4pm

St Joseph's Church, Bradford, 40 Pakington Street, BD5 7LD.
No preparation needed, the auditions won't be longer than 10 minutes.

If you are interested in taking this opportunity for your child, please contact the Diocese of Leeds Music Office and book an audition (completely Free).

office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk / 0113 244 8634.

We strongly recommend getting in touch with them. It is a unique opportunity for our children in Bradford to get amazing musical experiences, receive expert tuition and to enjoy the liturgy through the gift of music.



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