



Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic Primary School

'We Learn, We Love, We Grow in Jesus' Name'

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Newsletter:

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Happy Easter



Date	Event	Time	Parents Invited
Friday 29 March	Good Friday		
Sunday 30 March	Easter Sunday		
Monday 15 April	Children return to school	8.45am	
Monday 15 April	New Spring/Summer Lunch Menu	Lunch	
Monday 15 April	Year 2 Swimming for 3 weeks only	1.30pm	No
Tuesday 16 April	Y6 Children Booster Class	3.30-4.30pm	No
Thursday 18 April	Phonics Screening Check Meeting for Y1 Parents	3.00pm	Yes – Y1
Friday 19 April	Whole School Mass in School	2pm	Yes
Tuesday 23 April	Holy Communion Session (in school) Parents to join the children at 4.20pm	3.30pm – 4.30pm	No
Tuesday 23 April	Y6 Children Booster Class	3.30-4.30pm	No

Statement to Live By
'I know when to ask for help'

Lenten Fund Raising

During Lent the Mini Vinnies have helped to raise money which will go towards CAFOD

Our total for all our fundraising in Lent is an INCREDIBLE

£824.70

All proceeds will go to CAFOD

Thank you to the Mini Vinnies for all their wonderful ideas and all our families who have contributed in one way or another in supporting school and CAFOD. We have been overwhelmed by your generosity

Easter Egg Competition

Congratulations to the children who have won our Easter Egg Competition. Very well done to all the children who entered the Competition, the entries were 'eggcellent' and of a very high standard. It has been a very hard decision choosing the winners

Well done to all our children 🍷🍷🍷



Easter Raffle

Our Easter Raffle was a huge success, the children thoroughly enjoyed it!

Well done to all our winners. We have raised an amazing £194.00 which will go towards school fund



Make-up, Nail Varnish, Jewellery

We have noticed an increasing number of children coming into school wearing make-up, false nails, nail varnish and jewellery. Can we please remind parents/carers that this is not allowed in school. Long hair should also be tied up.

Multiplication Tables – Class 2

This week's Times Table is the 9 Times Table and the test will be Friday 19 April. Good Luck children!

Phonics Screening Check Meeting for Y1 Parents


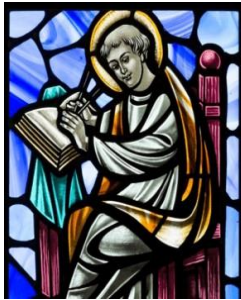


We will be holding a meeting for Year 1 Parents/Carers regarding the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check on Thursday 18 April at 3pm.

Mrs Flurry

Today we bid a fond farewell to Mrs Flurry, our Lunchtime Supervisor, who leaves us after 7 years. She will sadly missed and we wish her the very best of luck for her next chapter.



HOUSE POINTS

Feast Days	St Aidan	St Bede	St Benedict	St Cuthbert
31 August				
25 May				
11 July				
20 March				
Running Total	2741	2226	2251	3004

Congratulations to this term's winners – St Cuthbert's House, we hoped you enjoyed your treats!

Year 2 Swimming

After the holiday our Year 2 pupils will complete a 3 week swimming taster to prepare them for Key Stage 2. Swimming classes are each Monday afternoon so they should bring in their kits.

Spring/Summer 2024 Lunch Menu

The new Spring/Summer 2024 menu will start on Monday 15 April 2024, when the children return from their Easter break.
The menu is now available to view on the School Website
If you would like a paper copy, please contact school.

Online Safety

Please look out for our #WakeupWednesday Post on our Facebook Page. Where we share important messages from National Online Safety to help our children and their families stay safe online.

Foundation of Light – Family Learning

Please return reply slips as soon as possible so that a day and course can be confirmed.

Attendance

Please ensure your child arrives into school on time so they can be in class for **registration at 8.55am** in order to prevent any delay to the start of lessons. **Children should be in class and ready to begin lessons by 8.55am**

Children arriving late will delay the start of lessons and will be marked late.

If your child is unable to attend school, please inform school via email or telephone no later than **9.30am**.

In order to ensure that all of our children are safe, it is vital for us to know as soon as possible or this may result in a welfare visit to your home.

Class 1 Reading

Please ensure that children have their book bags and reading books in school each day.

Children will bring home their reading book **AND** a reading for pleasure book from our library. Please ensure that both are returned by Thursday each week, in order for them to be changed. Thank you

Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club now starts at **8am**. Children can be admitted up to **8.15am**.

Please remember children for breakfast club should be in school no later than **8.15am**.

Please remember to book your child's place and pay on Arbor or cash in to school, 50p per session.

Reading Plus

Some of our children are enrolled on a programme called Reading Plus which they access at school but we also encourage them to access this at home.

Log in details have already been sent home with your child if they are using the programme.

Children will be able to access extra Reading Plus sessions during some lunch breaks to ensure that they are accessing the programme more regularly.

After School Clubs

Monday – Drawing with Rob

Tuesday – Mini Vinnies Club

Wednesday – Sports Club

Thursday – Board Games

Please remember to book your child's place and pay on Arbor or cash in to school, 50p per session.

PE Kit

Reminder that all children should be wearing their PE Kits which consist of:

Plain dark shorts / leggings / tracksuit bottoms

White polo shirt/white shirt or white T shirt.

School cardigan or jumper - **No football tops please**

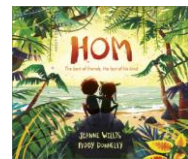
Please be mindful some PE lessons take place outside

No jewellery should be worn

Recommended Reads for March 2024



EYFS



KS1



Lower KS2



Upper KS2

*We wish our pupils and their families, staff, governors and local community
and very holy and happy Easter*



Holy Week

Thursday 28 March 2024 – Evening Mass of The Lord’s Supper

St Mary’s, Blackhill – 7.00pm

St Patrick’s, Consett – 7.00pm

Friday 29 March 2024 – Good Friday – Celebration of the Lord’s Passion

St Mary’s, Blackhill – 3.00pm

St Patrick’s, Consett – 3.00pm

St Pius, Moorside – 3.00pm

Our Lady & St Joseph, Brooms – 3.00pm

Our Lady of the Rosary, Shotley Bridge – 3.00pm

Saturday 30 March 2024 – Easter Vigil

St Mary’s, Blackhill – 7.00pm

St Patrick’s, Consett – 7.00pm

Sunday 31 March 2024 – Easter Sunday

St Patrick’s, Consett – 9.15am

Our Lady of the Rosary, Shotley Bridge – 9.15am

St Pius, Moorside – 11.15am

Our Lady & St Joseph, Brooms – 11.15am