



St. Mary Magdalen's R.C.V.A
Primary School

Spring.2 – NEWSLETTER (Feb-April 2020)

I hope you all had a fun and enjoyable February half term holiday and that you managed to have some fun and exciting family time together. At last the winter months are behind us, the days are getting longer and spring is finally here! As we head into the second half of our Spring term we enter into the season of Lent - this will be a very important time for the children as they prepare themselves for Easter celebrations.

During Holy Week we will be having special times of prayer, each day, with the term ending with a special Easter liturgy delivered by our Year 5 children at St Mary Magdalen's church.

Christ at the Centre - 'Statements to Live By'

During our Monday collective worships, this half term, we will be focusing on the Sunday Gospel readings, preparing for Lent and exploring our half termly 'Statements to Live By' - Ethos Statements.

Ethos Statements

- I try to use words that make the world a better place (please, sorry , thank you)
- I try to appreciate the beauty and the wonder in the world around me.
- I know that it is ok for me to make mistakes.
- I can learn from my mistakes and failures.
- I try to keep going when things are difficult and not give up hope.

Mother's Day Lunch



We will be having our Mother's Day lunch (Family Day) this half term on Friday 20th March. Our invitation is open to either, mothers, fathers or grandparents (one adult per child).

If you are attending school for this occasion I hope you have a very enjoyable experience and I look forward to seeing you there.

Sacramental Preparation Sessions

Our parent sacramental preparation sessions will continue this term. Our First Confession sessions have already taken place and our Year 4 children will be making their Sacrament on: **Saturday 4th April @ 10am.**

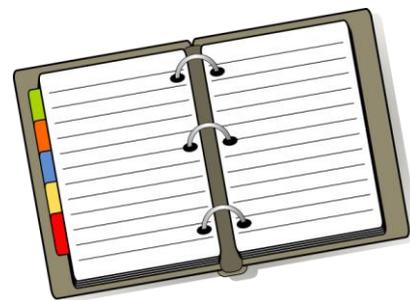
Parent preparation sessions for First Holy Communion will take place on:

Theme.4 - Tuesday 12th May @5pm

Theme 5&6 - Tuesday 9th June @5pm

The children will make their sacrament of First Communion on: **Saturday 20th June @ 10am**

Reminder of Dates for your diary!!! (Please remember to keep checking our school website diary and School App diary as more dates will be added to these as events arise)



26th February - Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Mary Magdalen's Church @ 10am

3rd March - Sacramental Preparation meeting for parents (Theme 3). In main school hall (5:30-6:30)

5st March - World Book Day (Children dress as their favourite book character - £1 donation per family)

20th March - Mother's Day Lunch (letter sent out to parents and published on school website)

20th March - World Poetry Day

16th-20th March - Spring Assessment Week (English, Maths, Writing and GPS)

30th March - 3rd April - D&T week.2 (Textiles)

31st March - Parents Evening 1 (3:30 - 7:00pm)

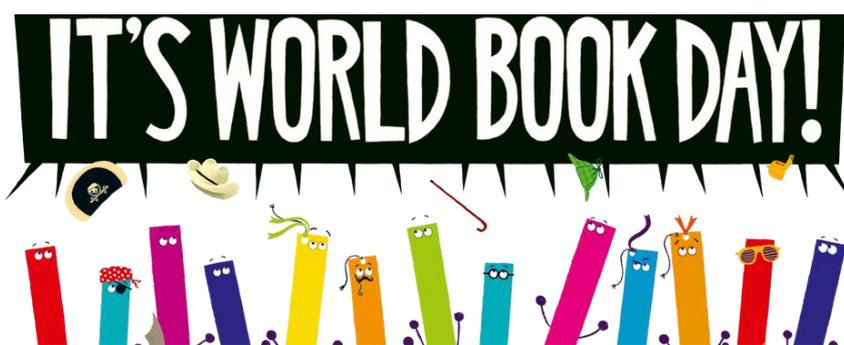
1st April - Parents Evening 2 (3:30-5:30pm)

4th April - Year 4 Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession) - church at 10am

6th April - Paste egg competition entries

8th April - Easter egg raffle

9th April - KS1 Easter Liturgy in church at 1:30pm. School closes for Easter holidays following liturgy.



We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. The children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character or author (we will be asking for a £1 donation per family). We are also asking the children to bring in their favourite book to share in class. On the day the children will have an opportunity to read lots of books and share their favourite stories. We will also be having a special assembly with prizes for the best dressed characters! (our school council will judge who receives the prizes).

School News!

Messages/Reminders from School Staff

Office - Contact Details.

The school office will be updating emergency contact details next term. A form will be sent out to parents asking for details. For safety reasons could you please ensure **up to date** mobile phone numbers and emergency contact details are provided.

EYFS & KS1 staff- labelling of clothes.

Could parents please ensure that their child's clothes have their names on them. This will prevent uniform from being misplaced or going astray during changing times.

Sporting Success

Swimming

Congratulations to our swimming squad who took part in the Easington District swimming gala last half term and were worthy champions. Well done to you all!



Boccia Team

A big well done to our Year 5&6 Boccia team, who competed in the Easington Schools Sports Boccia competition and were worthy winners.

Easter Egg Raffle and Paste Egg Competition 2020

We will be holding another Easter Egg raffle for all the children in school during the last week of this half term. As in previous years we would kindly ask for any donations of chocolate eggs to help with the raffle. Egg donations can be left at the school office. Thank you in advance for your support.

Our annual paste egg competition will also be held at the end of this term. This is a great opportunity for your child to be creative and have fun designing an Easter paste egg. Parents are welcome to enter the parent section if they wish to do so. Enjoy!



Medicines in school: All medicines should be handed into the school office by the parent. If your child requires medicine during the school day this needs to be recorded and monitored. Children should not bring medicines with them into school. If you require further clarification on this please contact the school office.



E-Safety:

Can I remind parents to be extra vigilant when your children are logged onto the internet and ensure child safety checks and parent controls are in place. We will continue to be speaking to all children in school about the dangers and risks of using online games and programmes. I am sure with both school and parents working together we can keep all our children safe!