

St Chad's Catholic School



Grow in Love

Live In Peace

23rd February 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a good half term and I am glad to see that everyone has returned safe and sound. Ash Wednesday occurred in the half term holiday and we are now in Lent. This is the time we prepare for the remembrance of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Lent is a special time when the Church invites everyone to examine their lives to make Lenten promises and make a fresh start with God. The children have been writing the Lenten promises and you will see their footprints all around the school. During this time please spend a few moments every day in silent prayer. We are also reminded that we should try and make time to go to confession during Lent. On Monday Fr Bartholomew visited the school to hear confessions for Year 4. He will be back again on Monday 26th, for Year 5 and Monday 5th March for Year 6.

Healthy Eating Week



This week we have been working hard on trying to be extra healthy, the children have been learning about the amount of sugar that is in some of our favourite foods. There is lots of discussions on the news about swapping some of the snacks that we eat every day for more healthy options. Your child will be bringing home a leaflet from Change for life which give you some ideas to reduce sugar intake. There are lots of free money off vouchers that you can get if you sign up to the website.

Please join us for a Healthy Eating Talk for parents on **Wednesday February 28th between 9-9.30 am** in the school hall. Laura Flanagan, Croydon school food improvement Officer will be giving a talk about how we can make some healthier choices. We look forward to seeing you.

CAFOD Family FAST



Next week CAFOD will be coming to talk to the children about lent and how we can support those who are less fortunate than ourselves.



Book Week

World Book Day is on Thursday 1st of March, followed by Book Week on Monday 5th March. In preparation for this week the children are to dress up as a book character on Friday 2nd March, if possible they should also bring in the book that goes with their character. Prizes for the best costume. The staff are busy preparing lots of exciting literary events for the children. The book fair will also be in school from Thursday 1st March. Thank you to Mrs Gant for organising the week to come.



Parents Evening

Letters have gone out this week for the upcoming parent evenings, please make every effort to book an appointment to discuss your child's progress and behaviour with their class teacher.



Handwriting Competition for parents

The children have been working hard to improve their handwriting and Mrs Poddar has found a handwriting competition for the whole school to enter. This includes parents and teachers. This has made the children very excited. Please find attached to this newsletter the poem you will need to write out if you wish to enter this competition. Please ensure that entries are handed to your class teacher by Friday 2nd March. Good Luck!!



St Chad's Feast Day

Friday 2nd March is our school feast day. The children will be celebrating Mass at St. Chad's Church at 9:30am. Parents are warmly welcome to join us.

Year 2



Year 2 have been learning all about the Great Fire of London. The children have worked hard at home building their own houses and on Monday they watched London Burn!! Thank you to the Year 2 team who worked hard ensuring that the children had the opportunity to experience such an historical event.



The children then becoming bakers in Pudding Lane and baked some bread. It was so yummy. Well done children

Year 4



In Science, the children in Year 4 developed their understanding of simple musical instruments and the sounds they make. The skills of designing and creating musical instrument was evident as they created a band of their own and conducted the orchestra brilliantly.



St Martin de Porres, Year 4 won the WOW-year- round walk to school challenge for the year 2017-2018