



**ST. EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY  
& NURSERY SCHOOL**

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*We carry the light of Christ as we love, live, learn and look after others.*

## **March News 2018**

**Dear Parents,**

**Lent:** We are now in our Lenten period and we will be holding several charity fundraising activities. This year we will be raising money with our Good Shepherd boxes and we will be raising money for CAFOD to send aid directly to the famine areas in Africa.

**Faith Journey for Year 3 Parents:**

Session 3 - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7pm.

Session 4 – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7pm.

**First Reconciliation:** Year 3 will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 3pm. at the Sacred Heart & St Teresa Church. Please keep them in your prayers.

**Parents' Evenings (Including Nursery):** These will be held on March 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. Times to be advised.

**School Fund:** If you have overlooked spring's school fund please use ParentPay to continue to support us in this way. The £7.50 per term school fund is an invaluable source of income for us and allows us to provide in a multitude of ways for the children and we are grateful for your continued support.

**Eggstravaganza:** The PTFA are going to hold our Eggstravaganza on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March between 3:15pm & 4.45pm. This will be a non uniform day when children will be asked if they can bring an Easter Egg or cakes in or a donation for the Eggstravaganza. Children are invited to participate by entering the Easter competition as follows:

**Nursery & Reception – Easter bonnets      Y1 & Y2 - decorated eggs**

**Y3 & Y4 – Easter cards                              Y5 & Y6 - Easter gardens**

The fee for entering is 50p and we would be grateful if the children could bring their entries in on the morning of the Eggstravaganza.

**PTFA:** A big thank you to the PTFA for their outstanding fund raising efforts! They have paid for the coaches for the Pantomime and Cinema trips this year. They have paid for the new steel shutter for the kitchen to comply with fire regulations and this term they are going to purchase soft play equipment to go with our new bouncy castle and they are going to supplement the cost of transport for school trips. The next PTFA meeting is to be held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April it would be lovely to see some new parents at the meeting!

**Elvis Night:** The PTFA Elvis night is to be held this year on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June.

**School Uniform:** Please make sure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform every day. We will soon have the warmer weather when the girls will be able to wear their summer dresses. The correct uniform list is on the school web site.

**Parking:** Can I ask Parents to please respect our neighbours – the residents of Packington Lane when parking to collect children or when attending school events such as: The Show, Sports Day and Parents Evenings. Parents have recently been blocking residents driveways and parking on double yellow lines causing obstructions. Parents are also reversing into the school gateways when children are accessing the pedestrian gates behind their cars! We are continuing to meet with the local council and local schools to try and improve access and parking arrangements. In the meantime, the children's safety is of paramount importance.

**Sport:** We have had some outstanding performances from children representing the school recently in a variety of sports including: Football, Netball, Cross-Country, Cheerleading and Infant Agility. The Boys' and Girls' 4 a-side football teams are continuing to do well in their competitions.

**Attendance for January:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Year 1 – 97.41%   2<sup>nd</sup> Year 6 – 96.33%   3<sup>rd</sup> Year 2 – 96.11%   4<sup>th</sup> Year 3– 94.84%   5<sup>th</sup> Rec. - 94.81%  
6<sup>th</sup> Year 4 - 94.17%   7<sup>th</sup> Year 5 – 93.49%**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ✚ 5<sup>th</sup> March - Holy Communion Meeting 7pm year 3.
- ✚ 6<sup>th</sup> March - Girls' Football v St George and St Teresa away 3.30pm kick off.
- ✚ 7<sup>th</sup> March - Infant agility 12.15pm to 2.30pm at Polesworth.
- ✚ 7<sup>th</sup> March and 8<sup>th</sup> March - Parents Evening (Times to follow)
- ✚ 9<sup>th</sup> March - Mother's Day Sale by PTFA. 9:15am
- ✚ 9<sup>th</sup> March - Mother's Day Celebration Nursery and Pre School at 2pm.
- ✚ 9<sup>th</sup> March - Football Cup (home) v Our Lady of the Wayside 3.45pm kick off
- ✚ 13<sup>th</sup> March - Lent Mass led by year 2 in the hall 9:15am.
- ✚ 13<sup>th</sup> March - 4 a-side football at North Solihull Years 5 and 6.
- ✚ 16<sup>th</sup> March - St. Patrick's Day House Celebration.
- ✚ 18<sup>th</sup> March - Sunday Sacrament of Reconciliation for Year 3 at Church at 3pm.
- ✚ 19<sup>th</sup> March - Spelling Competition at Kingsbury 1.30pm.
- ✚ 20<sup>th</sup> March - Netball Tournament at Polesworth 3.15-5.30pm
- ✚ 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Easter Eggstravaganza 3:15pm to 4:45pm
- ✚ 27<sup>th</sup> March - Easter Mass at 9:15am. All are most welcome.
- ✚ 27<sup>th</sup> March - Silver Snake - Lenten Charities
- ✚ 27<sup>th</sup> March - Disco 3.15pm to 4.45pm
- ✚ 28<sup>th</sup> March - Swimming Gala at Kingsbury KS2 1pm to 4pm
- ✚ 29<sup>th</sup> March - Last day of term, toy day, school finishes normal time.
- ✚ 16<sup>th</sup> April - School Re-Opens.
- ✚ 17<sup>th</sup> April - Cross Country years 1 and 2 at 1.30pm and years 3 and 4 at 3.30pm.
- ✚ 19<sup>th</sup> April - Years 4 and 5 Football Tournament 1.30pm to 5pm
- ✚ 20<sup>th</sup> April- Celebration Assembly 2.30pm
- ✚ 23<sup>rd</sup> April - St. George's House afternoon wear red and white.
- ✚ 23<sup>rd</sup> April - Holy Communion Meeting - 7pm.
- ✚ 2<sup>nd</sup> May - Girls' District Football
- ✚ 7<sup>th</sup> May - May Day - Off School!
- ✚ 10<sup>th</sup> May - Feast of the Ascension - Mass in school - 9.15am.
- ✚ 8<sup>th</sup> May - PTFA Meeting 7pm.
- ✚ 14<sup>th</sup> May - SAT's Week!
- ✚ 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Good Shepherd Mass at Coventry 1pm.
- ✚ 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Confirmation 7pm. for Year 6 children
- ✚ 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Disco 3.15pm to 4.45pm
- ✚ 24<sup>th</sup> May - PGL Meeting 6pm Year 6 Parents.
- ✚ 25<sup>th</sup> May - Celebration Assembly - 2.30pm
- ✚ 25<sup>th</sup> May - Break up for Half-term.
- ✚ 4<sup>th</sup> June - Teacher training Day
- ✚ 5<sup>th</sup> June - School Open
- ✚ 8<sup>th</sup> June - Cricket tournament year 4
- ✚ 8<sup>th</sup> June - Fit 4 schools years 5 and 6
- ✚ 10<sup>th</sup> June and 24<sup>th</sup> June - Holy Communion 10.45am.
- ✚ 15<sup>th</sup> June - Year 5 Cricket tournament
- ✚ 18<sup>th</sup> June - PGL Week
- ✚ 29<sup>th</sup> June - Holy Communion Mass in school at 9.15am.
- ✚ 5<sup>th</sup> July - New Reception starting September 2018 Induction Evening 6.30pm
- ✚ 5<sup>th</sup> July - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>. July - Induction day and transition day for new classes
- ✚ 6<sup>th</sup> July - Celebration Assembly - 2.30pm
- ✚ 10<sup>th</sup> July - End of Year Show Dates: 10<sup>th</sup> July Matinee. 11<sup>th</sup> July Matinee and Evening Performance.
- ✚ 13<sup>th</sup> July - Sports Day and Summer Fayre.
- ✚ 18<sup>th</sup> July - Disco 3.15pm to 4.45pm
- ✚ 20<sup>th</sup> July - Leavers Mass

*With very best wishes,*

*Patrick Ward and staff*