

# St Mary's R.C. Primary School Newsletter

## Statement to live by

Our Statement to live by next week is: 'I try to keep going when things get difficult and not give up hope'.

## Parents Evenings

Parents evenings for the whole school are on April 1st and 3rd April. Thank you to those parents that have sent their reply slips in for appointments. If you haven't yet done so, please can these be returned by Monday. Teachers will be meeting next week to organise time slots and these will be sent out no later than Thursday of next week. **A reminder that Molly our school nurse will be at the parents evening too, this is a great opportunity if you have any questions or concerns.**

## Our School Feast Day and Whole School Mass

**On Tuesday** we will have a special whole school mass at 10am to celebrate our school Feast day of St Mary of the Annunciation. As always, all are welcome to at this special mass and during the day the children will have other opportunities to reflect on and celebrate our special feast day.

## Reconciliation Service

Well done to those of our Y3 children who made their first reconciliation yesterday evening in church, with Father Robert. The children were very respectful throughout and we are very proud of them.

## Lenten Fundraising

As always during Lent, we encourage the children to think of others and our annual Lenten fundraising will be taking place in the next few weeks. Each class has chosen their activity/ sponsored event and the main charity that they wish to support. Please look out for your child's sponsor form, if they are doing a sponsored event. Thank you in advance for your support and generosity.

Reception— a sponsored 'Dance-a-thon'

Year 2— Will be paying to throw wet sponges at their teachers!

Y1, Y4 and Y6 are holding penalty shoot-outs with some staff as goalkeepers!

Year 3—a cake sale

Year 5 will be doing a sponsored walk

## St Joseph's Penny Boxes - Caritas

As well as our Lenten Fundraising we will be collecting money for Caritas through their St Joseph's Penny Box Appeal. This appeal raises money to support people in the Greater Manchester area in many different ways such as food parcels, Christmas presents, counselling and helping them to have a safe place to live. Not everyone has the things needed to live a safe and happy life so we are proud to support this charity. Children will be bringing a St Joseph's Penny box home this Friday 21/03 please fill with loose change throughout lent and return back to school no later than 11th April. If you would like to learn more about Caritas please visit - <https://www.caritas.org/> Thank you in advance for your support

## Easter Gardens

It's that time of year again to get growing and planning/planting your Easter Gardens! We love seeing the entries each year and they just seem to get better every year! Please look out for the flyer for more info and ideas. We ask that they are brought into school on Monday 14th April. The winners will be announced in church at the end of mass on the last day of term, Wednesday, 16th April.

## Church News

Fundraising is taking place in the parish to raise money to replace the stained glass windows in our beautiful church. As part of our Lenten fundraising in school for the charities chosen by each class, a proportion of money raised will go towards these efforts. St Mary's church is obviously a very special place for us all within school and we feel it is important to support in this way.

## School Council message

We have placed orders for our new recycle bins and are very excited to get this project up and running. We are always looking for new ideas to Go-Green! Please speak to the School Council if you have any ideas.

## Head Boy and Girl message

Well done to all the class champion winners and to Year 5 for winning class of the week, enjoy your treat! Please see the posters around school with details of the Easter Garden Competition. Happy Weekend!!



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## DIARY DATES

**Mother's Day Secrets Room - Friday 28th March** (details will be sent out next week)

## ASSEMBLIES

The following class assemblies are coming up:

**Thursday 27th March at 9.10am**

Nursery and Reception assembly

**Friday 4th April at 9.10am**

Year 1 assembly

**Wednesday 16th April at 2.00pm**

Year 5 Easter Play

## AWARDS

**Well done to our....**

### Champions Champion:

Nursery - Olivia  
Reception - Grayson  
Year 1 - Reece  
Year 2 - Kendall  
Year 3 - Myah  
Year 4 - Charley  
Year 5 - Jayce  
Year 6 - Alice

### Winning House this week

St David's

### Class of the week

Year 5

