

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

## Statement To Live By

There will be no statement to live by next week as we will be focussing on the special events of Holy Week

## Easter Gardens

We cant wait to see all your Easter gardens this year! Can we ask you to bring them in on **Tuesday** and they will be judged and winners announced in our final assembly on Thursday. We usually announce the winners in mass but the whole school mass on Wednesday of Holy week has had to be cancelled due to Father having an appointment. We look forward to seeing them on Tuesday! Please make sure it has your name and class clearly on it.

## Holy week and Happy Easter

Many schools break up today but as a Catholic school we stay in during Holy week to celebrate the events leading up to Easter together. Holy week and the Easter Sunday is the biggest feast in the Catholic church. We will ensure the children learn all about these special days: Plam Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and then Easter Sunday. Just like we do at Christmas time, we want our children to fully enjoy the fun of Easter and eating too many chocolate eggs, but we do try to ensure that they appreciate what Easter is all about: Jesus coming back to live for us.

## Tony Cragg

We have been informed that Tony's funeral will take place on Monday 20th April at 10.00am at St. Mary's Church. As a school we will be present at the funeral as much as we can and will aim to do him proud. Please continue to pray for his family and all who are mourning him at this very sad time. As a strong community, we will all continue to pull together and try to celebrate how lucky we are to have had Tony as part of our community for so many years.

## Lenten charity fundraising—thankyou

During lent, as we prepare for Easter, we aim to think about others before ourselves. As we do at Lent every year, every class chooses their own charity and does a fund raiser for them. It is also our Enterprise competition where the class who raises the most money for their charity wins the Enterprise trophy. Good luck to each class and of course thankyou and well done to everyone who has supported and donated. Of course what matters above all is how caring our families are when it comes to our charity events. Thanks again.

## Year 5 Easter Play

Year 5 Easter Play will be on Thursday 2nd April at 2.00pm in school. All are welcome to come and watch. They are also inviting parishioners to come and watch our dress rehearsal on Wednesday at 2.00pm with refreshments beforehand, led by our wonderful GIFT team.

## Church news

School masses will start back again after the Easter break so keep a look out for the dates. Father would like to wish all our families a very Happy Easter and has asked us to remind you of the dates and times for masses over the Easter period.

## Assembly next week

Our usual Friday awards assembly will take place on Thursday next week at 9.00am. Parents and friends are always welcome to come and join us.

## School is open next week!

Unlike some other schools, we are open next week. We close for Easter on **Thursday 2nd April at 3.15pm** and reopen on **Tuesday 14th April at 8.45am**. We then have two full weeks of at the next holidays at the end of May!

## Head Boy/Girl

We hope you have had a brilliant week on the lead up to Easter. A special congratulations to our head girl Mary for her special visit to meet Queen Camilla . Well done to Year 1 for winning class of the week and to all the class champion winners.



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## DIARY DATES

Thursday 2nd April - Yr 5 Easter Play

School closes at 3:15pm 02/04 and re opens on 14/04 8:45am

## MASS TIMES

### Services to Sunday 5th April Holy Week

Monday 30th March	-	No Mass
Tuesday 31st March	10am	Full school mass at St Patrick's all parishioners welcome
Wednesday 1st April	-	No Mass
Thursday 2nd April	7pm	Mass at St Mary's followed by watching at the Altar of Repose until 9pm
Good Friday 3rd April	10am 3pm	Stations of the Cross St Patrick's followed by confessions Service of the Solemn Liturgy St Patrick's
Holy Saturday 4th April	7pm	Easter Vigil St Mary's
Easter Sunday 5th April	9.30am 11.15am	Mass at St Patrick's Mass at St Mary's

## AWARDS

### Class Champion Awards

Nursery - Arthur  
Reception - Erin  
Year 1 - Eli  
Year 2 - River  
Year 3 - Ollie  
Year 4 - Oliver  
Year 5 - Harvey  
Year 6 - Nel

**Winning House this week:  
St Patrick's**

**Class of the week:  
Year 1**

