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Newsletter No.8 - Monday 11th March 2024

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Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March Tuesday 12th March Thursday 14th March Thursday 14th March Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March Thursday 21st March Thursday 21st March

Wednesday 20th March Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 27th March

Thursday 28th March Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March Mon 1st - Fri 12th April Science Week

Y4 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park

Whole School Congratulations Assembly – all welcome

Rescheduled: Children are invited to Reconciliation with Father David

Mini-Museum Celebrating Science Week

International Day of Happiness - gratitude and mindfulness focus

Year 5 Parents Meetings 8:10am – 9:20am

EYFS (F1 & F2) Easter Bonnet Parade - 10:45am & 2:30pm

KS1 Congratulations Assembly

Big Lent Walk – non-uniform (suitable for weather and walking)

Y5 Parents Meetings 8:10-9:20am; 1:20-4:10pm

2pm Y3 & Y4 Easter performance – everyone welcome

Final day of term

No school - Good Friday Easter school holiday

Pentecost Term

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April

Return to school

## Science Week - this week Mini-Museum Friday 15th March at 9am

Children will be learning about scientists linked with their Science focus, taking part in experiments and preparing a museum for you to enjoy.

We are also hoping that, if a tea or coffee is not enough to persuade you to join us, then a cuddle with some baby ducklings might encourage you.



British Science Week 2024



#### Cake Sale - Thank You

A fabulous £332 was raised during our cake sale. You were phenomenally generous with your donations and we are so grateful.

School Council will speak to the children and we will move as quick as we can to organise a

memorial for Rosa. When we can, we will organise a memorial service and celebration which you will all be invited to.



Again – thank you very much.

## REMINDER Resurrection Rock - Year 3 and Year 4 Easter Production

Children will be practising for the Easter production 'Resurrection Rock' this half term. The story will be performed in St Mary's Church at 2pm, Wednesday 27th March. Please can I encourage as many people to attend as possible, all are welcome and I promise it will help you prepare personally for the Easter weekend. The Easter story focuses on the resurrection of Jesus Christ following his betrayal, suffering and crucifixion. Our children will celebrate the joy of the season when we remember Jesus coming back to life on Easter Sunday.



## **Year 5 Parents Meeting**

Mrs Nicholson has some new dates and times for you to select to discuss your child's progress. If you haven't already, please book a meeting with Mrs Nicholson on the Arbor App. If you need support with this, please pop by the school office. Thank you.

#### EYFS (F1 and F2) Easter Bonnet Parade

EYFS will be having their Easter bonnet parade on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 10:45am and 2:30pm. If you haven't already made your bonnet please do so over the weekend. Bonnet's can be brought into school on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

#### Free Meals for Families

Hyson Green Youth Centre are currently offering free meals to families on a Monday

and Friday night between 6pm and 8pm. See Bev Francis for more information.





#### **IMPORTANT ACTION**

Arbor Consent for Pictures and Videos of Children (GDPR)

REMINDER

Please check that you completed this action, as described in Newsletter number 7. See the website if you need to read the request again.

#### **NEW REQUEST: SAFEGUARDING**

Please can all parents / carers check that your contact details are all correct, especially the telephone numbers we have on record for you.

Every child requires 3 people on their contact records in case of an emergency. Please complete this information on the Arbor App.

Can I also ask that, if both parents are going away for a few days, especially if you are leaving the country, that you inform school of who the child/ren are staying with. In an emergency, it is essential that someone is named as the responsible adult in case the parents are not contactable.

## **REMINDER: Our Big Lent Walk**

CAFOD and SCIAF are teaming up to bring the Big Lent Walk to Great Britain and St Mary's children are going to take part! The walk will be on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March (weather permitting). Between now and then, children are encouraged to seek



sponsorship from family and friends. If you would like a sponsor form, please pop to the school office. Children should set a goal for how many laps of the school field they can manage.

While walking, children will be encouraged to read reflections about people in need – people facing the hardships of war; poverty; natural disasters; and other injustice in our world. This should encourage them to walk with passion and strength, knowing the money we raise will help people in need across our world.

As a school team, we recognise that many of our families are struggling financially. Please only give what you can comfortably manage. Even 50p from each family allows the school to send £100 to CAFOD which will be gratefully received.



I feel so blessed to work in such a beautiful, faith driven community. We sometimes face challenges and I want to reassure you that myself and St Mary's staff are always here to meet you to support you and your family in any way we can.

Kíndest regards, Anne-Maríe Bell