



NEWSLETTER



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OFFICE HOURS

OFFICE OPEN - 8.15 a.m - 4.00 p.m. Telephone calls received when the office is closed will be recorded on the answer phone and dealt with as soon as possible.

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PARKING

Please do not put **YOUR** children at risk by parking on the zig zag lines outside school. Also please be considerate to our neighbours when parking, allowing them access to drive in and out of their homes. Thank you for your co-operation and support in these matters.

M. C. Hillsdon, Headteacher.

HERE I AM

The children have recently begun the Easter topic of Good and Evil. In this topic, the children explore their experience of the difficulty of knowing from outward appearances what is good and bad. They will hear about Lent as the Church's season for learning to recognize good and evil and about Holy Week and Easter – Jesus overcoming evil.

ADVENT GIVING

During the season of Advent our children were given Mission Club boxes to collect pennies for Catholic overseas missions. We were once again delighted with the response. In total, our children raised £378 to help less fortunate children in Nigeria. Thank you for your continued support and generosity with our fundraising.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion the preparation continues Tuesday 9th March at 6pm in the Meeting Rooms, parents are asked to be in church not later than 7.15pm.

The first meeting was about Baptism – the beginning of our life in God's church. Together we recalled how the light of faith was handed to parents and godparents at Baptism. As the children grow in understanding and awareness the light of faith must be handed on to them.

21st March Family Mass at 11am Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Refreshments in the Meeting Room after Mass. Please make this a good community event!

Do you / your children enjoy singing? Why not join the Church Choir for Easter – we practice at Our Lady of Lourdes Wednesdays at 7pm.

BIKE IT VIRTUAL 'BIKE RACE.'

Our bike race has begun and we are making great progress along the route but we need more children and adults to cycle to school so we can get further. At the moment we are about 100th out of 300 so if we can improve on our position it would be great. We may even get to the front! There are wonderful prizes for the winning school so we need to really try!

| MASS TIMES | OUR LADY OF LOURDES | ST. JOSEPH'S |
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| SATURDAY | 5.30 p.m. | 7.00 p.m. |
| SUNDAY | 11.00 a.m. | 9.30 a.m. |

THERE IS A FAMILY MASS ON SUNDAY 7th MARCH AT ST JOHN STONE CHURCH STARTING AT 10.30 A.M. ALL ARE WELCOME.

BOOK FAIR

The book fair will be in school next week and each class will have the opportunity to browse and enjoy the books. World book day vouchers will be sent home with a leaflet and may be used at the fair. If ordering books from the leaflet please send the payment into school in a marked envelope for the attention of Mrs. Green in Reception class. You will be able to come along with your child after school to the fair between Wednesday 10th March and Tuesday 16th March. It will be in the Year 1 conservatory (via the Junior yard) after school up to 4.15 p.m. All books purchased from the fair will help us to obtain new books throughout school.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB PAYMENTS

The after school club team have asked for any payments to be given directly to them when collecting your child rather than passing them via the teacher or the school office. Thank you for your co-operation.

THE LAST DATE FOR DONATIONS FOR MARIE CURIE MINI POTS OF CARE WILL BE FRIDAY 12TH MARCH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY, THE RUNNING TOTAL SO FAR IS £279.72.

FAMILY FUNDRAISER FOR SPORT RELIEF 2010

There is an event organised at S & B Sports Club on Sunday 21st March 2p.m to 4p.m which includes attractions/events such as egg and spoon races, sack races, hockey/tennis/cricket skills and a bouncy castle. The cost is £10 for a family of 4 and further information can be obtained from Southport Hockey Club on 07875 696575.

H.S.A News

On Saturday 27th March 9.30 – 12 noon we will be holding our Easter Fun Day. During this event a professional photographer from Zoom Photography will be available in school for portrait sessions. Anyone is welcome to come and have children or family groups photographed. There is no charge for the session and proofs will be available to view on the day. If you wish to buy any of the photographs, the cost will be £10 for a 9x6 inch mounted portrait or 3 for £20. We will receive a 20% donation to the HSA for each photograph purchased so this could be a good fundraiser as well as offering great value for professional photographs. A slip to book a time slot will be on next week's newsletter.

Our next event is Easter Bingo on Friday 19th March 7 – 9pm. If you would like to bring the family along to this great evening then please return the slip below. There is a £2 charge for a family entry ticket. Books of bingo tickets are available to buy on the evening (usually £2 per player). Refreshments including hotdogs and cakes will be available. This event always sells out so please return your slips as soon as possible. Many thanks

Child's Name _____ Class _____

Please send me a family entry ticket for the bingo.
I enclose £2. Number of people attending _____

Signed _____