



St. Nicholas Catholic Primary School

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Love, live and learn with Jesus Christ.

Dear Parents & Carers,

Friday 22nd March 2024

Lenten Symbol of the week - The Temple Curtain Torn in Two

During this Holy Week, we focus on the scripture passage which tells us that the veil in the temple (which was tall, strong & thick) was torn into two pieces when Jesus died on the cross.

'When Jesus died, the curtain in the Temple split into two pieces. The tear started at the top and tore all the way to the bottom. The army officer that was standing there before the cross saw what happened when Jesus died. The officer said, "This man really was the Son of God!" ' (Mark 15:38-39)



This is a very symbolic action at the moment of Jesus' death. The curtain symbolises sin. This sin (instituted at the time of Adam & Eve) was standing in between God & humanity. Jesus' death on the cross tore away this barrier to bring humans closer to their God again. Jesus took this sin on His shoulders and on the cross. What have you done during this Lent to remove the barrier between yourself and God. Prayer? Fasting? Almsgiving?

Big Lent Walk

This Tuesday (26th) is our CAFOD 'Big Lent Walk'. Details were sent out to you on Parentmail last week. Please pray for good weather, check Twitter for photos and email enquiry@ if you are able to help at all. St Nicholas' Fundraising Page is fundraising for CAFOD

Year of Prayer

Pope Francis has declared that 2025 will be a Jubilee Year for the Catholic Church. Jubilee years are very special and will unite the church around the theme of 'Hope'. In order to prepare for this Jubilee, Pope Francis has declared 2024 a Year of Prayer. Pope Francis has asked Catholics to get 'back to basics' during this year by focusing on The Lord's Prayer. Throughout this year various prayer activities based around The Lord's Prayer will be taking place in school. Why not make The Lord's Prayer part of your home prayer life?



Over the next few weeks we will be looking at the Lord's prayer in different languages... this week is German.

Vater unser im Himmel,
geheiligt werde dein Name.
Dein Reich komme.
Dein Wille geschehe,
wie im Himmel so auf Erden.
Unser tägliches Brot gib uns heute.
Und vergib uns unsere Schuld,
wie auch wir vergeben unsern Schuldigern.
Und führe uns nicht in Versuchung,
sondern erlöse uns von dem Bösen.
Amen.

KS2 Passion Play

Huge congratulations to the staff and pupils of KS2 who gave us a wonderful Passion Play this week. This was a wonderful way to prepare ourselves for Holy Week. Thank you for your generosity, our closing collection for CAFOD raised £196.51. Also thanks to our PFA for providing refreshments and giving parents a chance to chat and catch up after the performances.

Wednesday Word

Please follow the link below to enjoy this week's Gospel as a family: Click HERE for the Wednesday Word

This week's attendance

Let's find out which class/es had the best attendance this week.

Year group	% attendance for w/c 18.3.24
Reception	98.3%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	94.7%
Year 4	97.3%
Year 5	97.3%
Year 6	89% BELOW 90%
	*Let's have a push on Year 6's attendance at this very important time for them!

Advertising

We will soon be providing families and friends with the opportunity to advertise their local business or service on our school newsletter for a small fee. If this is something you would be interested in and would like further information, please contact Miss Smith via the school office at enquiry@stnicholassutton.org.uk.

<u>Dates for the di</u>	ary
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Out of the didity	
26th & 27th March	Parents' Evenings
15/4/24	INSET Day - school closed to children
24/4 to 26/4	Year 5 trip to Alton Castle
26/4/24	Sacrament of Confirmation Mass in church at 7pm
15/5 to 16/5	KS2 SATs Week
w/c 20/5	Year 6 swimming every day @ Wyndley
w/c 27/5	Half Term - school closed to children
w/c 3/6 & 10/6	Year 4 Multiplication Check administered
5/6/24	Year 6 Leavers' official photos
w/c 10/6	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check administered
12/6 to 14/6	Year 6 trip to Blackwell Manor
4/7/24	INSET Day - school closed to children

PFA events

^{**}DATE SET** Summer Fayre - Saturday 13th July - 12pm to 3pm

God bless,

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