

8th April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

<u>Have a lovely Easter break</u>

We come to the end of the Spring Term tired but proud of the progress made by St Nicholas pupils. On behalf of the staff of St Nicholas Catholic School we wish you a happy & prayerful Easter. We look forward to seeing all pupils for the first day of the summer term on **Monday 25th April**.

God who speaks

'Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King of Kings.'

This Sunday we will celebrate Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. During this most important and solemn week in the Catholic calendar we remember the passion and death of Our Lord. Thank you to KS2 pupils and staff who led us through these events during their Passion Play this week - it was a beautiful and prayerful experience.

Mass Times for Holy Week can be found at these links

St Nicholas: <u>lent_5.pdf (stnicholasboldmere.co.uk)</u>

Abbey: <u>erdingtonabbey</u>

Wednesday Word - please follow this link to enjoy the Gospel as a family

https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/lent-easter-card?pid=MTA101634&v=57.15

Lenten Fundraising

As Catholic Christians we are asked to pray, fast and give alms during Lent. The community of St Nicholas has certainly risen to that challenge. The Just Giving page set up for our CAFOD 'Walk Against Hunger' has raised \pounds 1667. The total amount raised over Lent if we add in the class fundraising activities and the collection after the Passion Play is **in excess of £2000**. Thank you so very much. We are seeing unprecedented rises in the cost of living and we know that COVID hit some people hard so for you to dig deep and raise this figure is truly faith in action.

Safeguarding Newsletter

Please find attached the latest in our series of Academy Safeguarding Newsletters for parents. The topic of this one is Domestic Abuse and it contains lots of information and signposting for anyone (male or female) or may be experiencing this. We know that witnessing domestic abuse is a damaging experience for children and so supporting any family who may be experiencing this is a key part of our safeguarding duties. As ever, if you wish to speak to a DSL about any safeguarding matter please ask for Mr Porter, Mrs Noble-Barton or Mrs Hannon-Dalby.

Gospel Virtues

We come to the end of a half term and to the end of our focus on INTENTIONAL and PROPHETIC Gospel Virtues.

The following pupils received a wristband this week for demonstrating our focus virtues:

Peter O'Rourke (Y2) & Noah Townsend (Rec), Annabelle (Y4) & Avesta (Y4), Jessica & Emily (Y1), Jawed (Y4). Look out for information about our new Gospel Virtues when we return after the Easter break.

Car Park and Parking Information

Temporary measures are in place now until a more permanent solution is agreed. The bollards at the entrance and exit to the church car park will now be in place every morning at 8.40 - 9.05am and every afternoon at 3.20 - 3.40pm. Please ensure you park somewhere else with care and consideration for our neighbours, pedestrians and other road users. Please be reminded that it is illegal to park on the yellow zig-zags on the highway, and they must be kept clear of stationary vehicles, even if picking up or setting down children. Also, parked cars are not permitted at or near a bus stop.

The 'Parking Buddies' will be put out each day on Jockey Road to ensure that there is adequate space for the school crossing warden, Christine, to do her job safely as she helps our children and families cross this very busy road. We have also ordered some additional 'Parking Buddies' for the school side of the road which ask drivers to leave a space on the Zig Zags and School Crossing lines so that Christine's view is nice and clear to help everyone cross safely.

Thank you for your support with this issue, it is the safety of our children that is the most important thing.

SEN Local Offer

Please follow the link below for more information on Birmingham's Local Offer. It brings together lots of useful information and services for children and young people with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities. <u>https://youtu.be/TcAblK6EVQ0</u>

If you have any questions about SEND please contact our SENCo through the school office or via SENCO@stnicholassutton.org.uk

Phonics Home Links

Please click the link below for a recap of information on the 'Read Write Inc' phonics scheme we follow at St Nicholas.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1JQ3j5okMiGOzbTjeah6YbQd6q5klckqu/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=1116334 88629756352211&rtpof=true&sd=true

Red

'Z' 'ch' 'qu' 'x' 'ng' 'nk'

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/agkU2foI/FKDFrPor https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/RitSZWOD/6K6eY4zy https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/rEPjkkcO/uXZNP5DA https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/CzeCTCpd/nxwINmsU https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/X7UZ8J6B/IrVZBSHm https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/i5dXzsTj/anZIIBfH

Purple- 'or' 'ar'

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/xxx3NNE5/nRtpEVAS https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/60VftNnt/E1J05V8m

Yellow- 'ow'

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/kMHAws1z/bcfUOZuN

Pink- 'ea'

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/tkHr75OZ/xKDsU6gX

Blue- 'tion'

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Qje6shrM/21IkQFOD

Grey- 'ow' 'o-e'

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/AO6flTGc/f3FFrxI4 https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/yziTqxQI/frMFt6Lz

Dates for diary:

8/4 End of Spring Term - school breaks up for Easter 25/4 First day of Summer Term - all pupils back in school 6/6 INSET Day - school closed to pupils

God bless,

Mr Porter **Executive Principal** Mrs Noble-Barton Head of School

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