

# All Saints' Catholic Primary School

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It has been a wonderful week in school. We began with our Easter-themed **baby and toddler group** and **cricket workshops** across school; Tuesday was a lovely day. Our Wednesday began with **Stations of the Cross**; as expected, our pupils were prayerful and engaged. Today, our pupils were reminded that we have a few more days to collect as many **House Points** as possible before the winning team receive their treat. **Our Boys' Cross Country Team** represented All Saints' and Derwentside admirably this morning. Finally, we cannot wait to welcome Year Four back to school following their **residential**. Mrs. Forrest, Mrs. Days and Deacon Peter have been full of praise for their behaviour, engagement and enthusiasm this week...well done everyone! We look forward to next week in school: **Holy Week** will be a very special time for our school family. We hope you can join us.

### Easter Treats for Sale

On Monday, at home time, Mrs. McMillan will be selling crochet Easter bunnies filled with a caramel or Biscoff egg and a small pack of Haribo for £1.50. All money raised will go towards our school fund. We very much appreciate all of the hard work that has gone into this fundraising opportunity.

### Egg Decorating

On Tuesday 31st March, we will be holding an egg decorating competition in school. Please send your child to school on Tuesday with two hard-boiled eggs. (We ask for two per child in case there are any accidents!) If your child would like to make a particular character/design and would like to bring in any specific materials for their egg, that is fine. Otherwise, we will provide lots of craft materials. Following this, a 1st, 2nd, 3rd winner will be announced from each class. We will open the school doors at 3.20pm so families can come and view the fantastic creations (they'll be displayed in the hall) – we're all eggstatic at the thought of an afternoon of egg craft!

### Mass Led by Year Six

Our Lenten Mass will be led by Year Six and is such a special event in our school calendar; everyone is welcome to join us for it on Maundy Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 9.30a.m.

### Prayer Stations

Each class will design a prayer station for Holy Week and these will be available for families to use on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March, between 3.20p.m. – 4p.m.

### Year Five: Retelling of Holy Week

Our Year Five pupils will be acting out the events of Holy Week – from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday and all adults are welcome to come along (whether your child is in Year Five or not). Please join us on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, 9a.m. in the school hall. I promise it will be a moving, thoughtful and prayerful experience which our pupils will be proud to lead.

### Big Lent Walk

Sponsorship forms will be sent home early next week. We are raising money for CAFOD by walking along the line and back to school. Come along at 1.30pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April to raise money for CAFOD. It will be a wonderful end to our Easter term...fingers crossed for sunshine!

### Year One Phonics Workshop

Families of pupils in Year One are invited to a parent information workshop related to the statutory Phonics Screening Check in Year One on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April, 3.30pm. This will be led by Mrs. Daniels and will give practical tips about how to support your child at home with their phonics and the expectations of the check. Your child will be able to stay with a staff member in school for the duration of the meeting. Many thanks!

### Swimming: Summer First Half Term

After Easter, beginning Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April, Year Three will swim each Monday afternoon at the Louisa Centre.

### Adult Supervision

Please ensure, on a morning, unless your child has permission to walk to school alone, that you stay with your child and supervise them appropriately until they enter school. Thank you.

### Best Start Family Hubs

Attached to this email is information regarding Best Start Family Hubs. There are some excellent courses/opportunities available so please take a moment to look. Families can refer themselves however, if you'd like support with this, please just ask and we'll be happy to help!

### Tesco Voting Continues...

Voting has been extended until Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April. This gives us all a little more time to get those all-important final votes in for our iPads...please remember, every vote counts!

### Parent Governor Position

In the coming months, Mrs. Turnbull's term of office for Parent Governor will be coming to an end. If you would like to be considered for this position, please express an interest by email, Arbor, phone or face to face by Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. If more than one person expresses an interest in the position, the school community will decide by ballot. Many thanks.

### Times Table Rock Stars

Year Group of the Week: **Six**

Players of the Week:

**1<sup>st</sup> Bill (Y6), 2<sup>nd</sup> Ben (Y6), 3<sup>rd</sup> Harrison (Y6)**

## Small Saints: news from our nursery

It's been another fun filled week in Nursery. We found many of signs of spring during our windy outdoor learning (Welly Wednesday) this week, including buds, blossom and a bumblebee. In maths have been exploring number three, how to make it and ways to represent it. We have squeezed, rolled, pinched and patted in Dough Disco and jumped in core strength...we're ready for a little rest now!

**Our Book of the Week:** Tad by Benji Davies

**Our Song of the week:** The Wheels on The Bus & Little Green Frog



**This week's scripture:** Lenten prayer: Stations of the Cross

**Link to Catholic Social Teaching:** [Human Dignity](#)– “We are beautifully made in the image and likeness of God.”

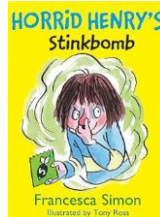
**Link to British Values:** individual liberty

## Looking for a good read?

Levi in Year Two recommends:

**Horrid Henry by Francesca Simon (age 5+)**

“I have the whole series of twenty five books at home and I love them all because they are funny. The main character is Henry who is a ten year old boy who goes to Ashton Primary School. He is generally horrid. He disrespects people (by calling them names), he breaks the rules (he once threw a water balloon at a teacher) and he plays pranks on people (usually on his little brother, Peter or on Margaret his next door neighbour). My favourite character in the books is Ralph; he is Henry's best friend and I like him because he is funny. He says lots of jokes which make me laugh.”



**Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are:**

Mrs. Stephenson; Mrs. Conlin;  
Mrs. Dunn; and Mrs. Pearson  
Mrs. Turnbull (governor)

**Our SENDCO is:**

Mrs. Bryant  
Mrs. Turnbull (governor)

## ATTENDANCE

This week's whole school  
attendance has been:  
98.7%

**Our attendance target is 97%**



# Dates for Your Diary

Event	Date	Time		
Nursery Outdoor Learning every Wednesday				
Year Three swimming each Monday: summer first half term				
Class Prayer Stations	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	3.20 – 4pm		
Egg Decorating	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	3.20 – 4pm		
Retelling of Holy Week: Year Five	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	9am		
Winning House Treat Afternoon & Non-Uniform	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April			
Lenten Whole School Mass: Year Six Lead	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	9.30am		
Big Lent Walk	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	1.30pm		
School Closes	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April			
School Re-opens for Summer Term	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April			
Year Three Swimming – each Monday	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April			
Year One Visit Royal Navy Museum	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April			
Parent Workshop for Year One Screening Check	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	3.30pm		
A full list of dates planned so far in spring term is available on our school website: <a href="mailto:allsaintslanchester@bwcet.com">allsaintslanchester@bwcet.com</a>				
<b>Clubs available this half term:</b>				
<b>Monday</b> SATS Booster Y6	<b>Tuesday</b> SATS Booster Y6 Origami Y3 – Y6	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b> SATS Booster Y6 Chat & Chill R – Y2	<b>Friday</b> Sports Games R – Y3
<b>Sign up on Arbor</b>				
<b>French and Brass available on a lunchtime</b>				
<b>Wrap-around care available from 7.45am – 5pm each day</b>				