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Dear Parents and Carers

The Easter break is finally upon us and what a successful term we have had across both schools! As the second term and Lent draws to an end, we have been thinking about **the events of Holy Week**, a very important time in our Church year, and the great sacrifice that Jesus made by giving his life for our sins. Today is **Holy Thursday**, also known as Maundy Thursday, when Jesus gathered with his disciples for a last supper and shared the bread and wine before he was betrayed and arrested. He said this was **his body and blood**, given for them and we also remember Jesus is with us when we receive his body and blood at Mass.

Tomorrow is **Good Friday** when Jesus was given his cross to carry and began his long and painful journey. We have been remembering this in both schools during our **'Stations of the Cross' prayer services** and praying together as



we followed Jesus' journey. A special thanks to Miss Bourke and Mrs Attwell in the Infant School and Mr McCreadie and Miss O'Hare in the Junior School for organising these very beautiful prayer services and helping us to prepare for Good Friday. The children took part very respectfully and we were extremely proud of their behaviour as they followed the Stations of the Cross and reflected



on what was happening at each Station.

Well done to our wonderful musicians in the Junior School who performed for parents and other year groups during their 'Rocksteady' concert today. Thank you to parents also for your great support of this event and also the Infant concert last week.

Year 5 also enjoyed a fantastic musical experience yesterday when they spent the day at the **'Sound Out' concert** at the Royal Festival Hall. Thank you to Mrs Stanley, our Music teacher across the schools, for organising this very special opportunity for the children to enjoy the performances of the **London Sinfonietta** and other children and also join in with musical activities.

Finally, a huge thank you and well done to all classes for the **Lenterprise events** which have been taking place over the last two weeks. Thank you to all the children and staff for making these so enjoyable and successful and **thank you also to parents and families for your incredible generosity**. For example, Class 6A have currently raised £686 with more donations to come and we know all other events have also been extremely well supported. Every donation is gratefully appreciated and will make a difference to the charity receiving it, thank you. We look forward to sharing more information about the money raised for each charity early next term.

The Infant classes opened their Lenterprise events up to other year groups joining in which was a great success and enjoyed a wonderful puppet show at lunch time today. The Juniors finished their events with an Easter Bonnet parade today, thanks to Miss Brennan for organising this event and the time she spent helping children prepare. Pictures from all recent events can be seen on twitter.

Just a reminder that children have the choice of wearing their summer uniform when we return to school on 15th April. Have a very peaceful and happy Easter and enjoy this wonderful time with your family and friends.

"Let us prepare to celebrate Easter in the joy of God! Christ is risen! Christ is alive!" Pope Francis



STAR OF THE WEEK



Infants

N	Benjamin
Ra	Rory
Rb	Zainab

1a	Bezalel
1b	Abigail
2a	Tobias
2b	Orla



STAR OF THE WEEK



Juniors

3A	Aliyah
3B	Cameron
4A	Thomas

4B	Raisa
5B	David
6A	Long
6B	Louis

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations
to **3b**
for having the
highest
attendance!



Class	%
R1	79
R2	87
1a	85
1b	93
2a	90
2b	97
3a	98
3b	99
4a	98
4h	92
5b	94
6a	94
6b	92

AIS & AJS VALUES

Tolerance	3b	Owen
Respect	4b	Ruby
Commitment	3a	Alana
Safety	6b	Jessie
Excellence	5b	Gracie
Excellence	6a	Caoimhe
Justice	5b	Elena
Courage	4a	Muhammad
Excellence	N Ra Rb 1a 1b 2a 2b	Sumaiya Scarlett Lya Olivia N David Eva Ariyan

Maths Superstars

Year 3	Drake & Matias
Year 4	Maria & Jasmine
Year 5	Fionna
Year 6	Alyanna & Alexander

KEY DATES

Summer Term Dates

Date	What	Where/Time
Monday 15 April --Friday 19 July		
06/05/24	May Day (Bank Holiday)	School Closed
27/05/24-21/05/24	Half Term	School Closed
03/06/24	Staff Training Day	School Closed

This week is Holy Week and this coming Sunday is Easter Sunday. This is the day when the Church throughout the world especially remembers and celebrates the resurrection of Jesus.

Before sunrise on Sunday morning, Mary Magdalene went to Jesus' tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the entrance and that the tomb was empty. Mary ran to Peter and another disciple (John) and said, "Someone has taken the Lord out of the tomb and we don't know where they have put him." The disciples ran together to the tomb. But John, running faster than Peter, arrived first and looked into the tomb but did not go in. Peter, however, went into the tomb and he saw Jesus' linen burial cloths lying on the ground. He also saw the cloth that had been over Jesus' head; this was rolled up in a place by itself. Then John also went into the tomb; he saw and he believed. Until this moment they had failed to understand that Jesus must rise from the dead.

Gospel of John 20:1-9 Easter Sunday

Safeguarding Team

Ms. Bourke



Mrs Attwell



Miss O'Prey



Mr Mc Creadie



Mrs. Stanley



