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Dear Parents and Carers

This week we have been continuing to think about the meaning of Lent and how each one of us can make a difference in the lives of other people. On Wednesday Class 2B shared their Lent assembly with parents and other classes in the Infant school. This was the first assembly and Celebration of the Word the class had led and we were so proud of the children. They spoke, acted and sang very confidently as they shared their Lenten promises and told us about a very special friend of Jesus, Mother Teresa. In 2016 she was made a saint and is now called Saint Teresa of Calcutta. During her life, Mother Teresa tried to live as Jesus showed us and be his hands and his voice by helping others in great need. The children thought about how “We can all do small things with great love” and follow her example of Catholic social teaching. Well done Class 2B and we are looking forward to the other key stage 1 classes sharing their assemblies with us over the next few weeks. Thank you to the children for working so hard on their assembly and to Mrs Attwell and Miss Zurawicz for all their work with the class.



We began the month of March today with another special celebration when Class 4B led a “St. David’s Day” assembly. The children performed a wonderful drama to show how Paulinus, a follower of God, prayed for someone to bring change and hope and St. David was chosen by God to help others and live as Jesus showed us. The children spoke and acted very confidently as they shared the meaning of the daffodil and leek as symbols of Wales. They shared how they can make a difference by doing small things in our school, homes, local and world communities. Their beautiful hymn, ‘Here I Am Lord’ called each one of us to be who God meant us to be and make a better world for all when we act together. Thank you Class 4B and thank you also to Miss Horgan and Miss Pilay for all your work supporting the children with their assembly. As with our earlier assembly this week, we had fantastic parental support—thank you to all the parents and family members who joined both assemblies, we really value your support.



Thank you also to Fr. Chinedu for visiting Year 4 this week and giving the children the opportunity to have confession during Lent. He spoke to all the children about the importance of this sacrament of Reconciliation, especially during this holiest time in our Church year and the children took part in confession very reverently and maturely.



National Science Week takes place in March and children in both schools will have the opportunity to take part in lots of exciting Science events to inspire them to be Scientists of the future! As part of this work, the Juniors had a ‘Science Day’ this week and a visiting company led workshops with each class. The children wore lab coats they designed themselves and really enjoyed the different activities throughout the day. Each year group had their own Scientific focus including rocks and fossils, electricity, evolution or earth and space. The children also found about the important work of different scientists throughout history. Please have a look at the tweets showing the workshops and a very big thank you to the Science Lead, Miss Horgan, for organising this inspiring day. The Infant School will also be enjoying special science events over the next few weeks.

Have a very peaceful weekend.

Miss O’Prey



## STAR OF THE WEEK



### Infants

N	Hazel
Ra	Guilia
Rb	Praise

1a	Olivia H
1b	Sarah
2a	Jessie
2b	Patrick



## STAR OF THE WEEK



### Juniors

3A	Hyeon
3B	Riley
4A	Maria

4B	Joshua
5B	Mateo
6A	Gloria
6B	Julia

# ATTENDANCE

Congratulations  
to 1a & 2b  
for having the  
highest  
attendance!



Class	%
R1	88
R2	94
1a	98
1b	91
2a	91
2b	98
3a	95
3b	96
4a	96
4h	96
5b	95
6a	96
6b	97

## AI S & AJS VALUES

Truth	3a	Pietra
Respect	6a	Bryan
Commitment	5b	Elena
Safety	4b	Elliot
Excellence	4a	Hebe
Justice	3b	Fernando
Excellence	6b	Ebube
Courage	N Ra Rb 1a 1b 2a 2b	Tala Tudor Jessica Eden Caleb Anais

## KEY DATES

Date	What	Where/Time
04/03/24	Dance Club—Barnet Festival	Arts Depot 6.00-7.00pm
06/03/24	Class 2A Assembly	Infant School 9.10am
07/03/24	World Book Day	Both Schools
13/03/24	Class 1A Assembly	Infant School
18th and 20th March	Parent Consultation Meetings	Infant School 3.30-6.30pm
19th and 21st March	Parent Consultation Meetings	Junior School 3.30-6.30pm
21/03/24	Rocksteady Concert	Infants 2.15pm
22/03/24	Year 5 Assembly	Junior School 9.00am
29/03/24	Rocksteady Concert	Juniors 9.30am
28/03/24	School Closes for Easter Holidays—reopens for all children 15th April	Infants 1.15pm Juniors 1.30pm

## Maths Superstars

Year 3	Angela & David
Year 4	Ghazel & Ayla
Year 5	Manuela
Year 6	Emily & Taliah

In this Sunday's Gospel, we read how people had sadly lost sight of God by getting caught up in their buying and selling at the Temple. Jesus was upset and his actions were a protest that things had gone seriously wrong with how they were relating to God; something needed to change.

*Jesus went to Jerusalem to celebrate the Jewish Passover. Inside the Temple, he saw people selling animals, and among them sat the money changers. So Jesus made a whip and chased them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well. Jesus knocked over the money tables, scattering the coins and said to the pigeon sellers, "Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market."*

Gospel of John 2:13-25 The 3rd Sunday of Lent, Year B

## Safeguarding Team

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