

St Kentigern's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

APRIL 2006

Dear Parents,

As we come to the end of Lent we reflect on the prayer, fasting and almsgiving that has been a focus for us and look forward to Easter. In school all the children have been raising money for the Good Shepherd Collection. The money goes to Catholic Caring Services who look after the needy and

vulnerable of our

Diocese. It is an excellent example of children helping children and adults within our Catholic constituency. This money will be presented to our Bishop at the Cathedral during a service next term and children will be selected to represent the school on their fund raising efforts.

I urge you all to attend the Easter assemblies in school during Holy Week.

Every child will take part in an assembly and it helps us re-live the final days of Jesus' life and question our commitment to our faith.

Attached are all the services in the Parish during Holy Week.

I wish you all a Happy and Holy Easter.

PTFA News

The next event is a Magic Show on Friday 7th April at 7.30pm. There will be five acts, including an award winning children's entertainer and an illusionist! Tickets cost £5 per family if purchased before Friday (from the school office) or £2 per person on the door.

Many thanks to Matthew West's mum for organising this event, a new one for the PTFA. I urge you to come along and have some fun - you may even see your favourite teacher cut in half!!

FUTURE EVENTS

Friday 26th May-



Our jubilant football team after 2 good wins and a draw.

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SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

Y3 First Communion

The next meeting is tonight, Wednesday 5th April at 7pm. Parents now have the responsibility to ensure that the children can make their First Confession before the end of Lent. If in doubt, please ring the Presbytery on 393439.

Practicalities will be discussed at a meeting on

Wednesday 26th April at 7pm. First Holy Communion Mass is on Sunday May 7th at 10.30am

Y6 Confirmation

The next meeting is tonight, Wednesday 5th April at

7pm. This meeting is for Y6 children on 'You will be my witness' and will be held in Y1 classroom.

Tabor House

A day of spiritual reflection for Y6 will be held at the Carmelite Retreat Centre in Preston on Tuesday 16th May.

The Bishop will be here to confirm the children on Wednesday 24th May at

7pm in Church.

Fr John has attached an invitation for all children to attend the services over Easter, starting with Mass at 7.30am on Friday and The Palm Sunday Mass at 10.30am when a donkey will follow the procession into church from the hall.

SCHOOL DINNERS

From Monday 24th April there will be a 10p increase per day in school dinners £1.50 per day (£7.50 per week). This is still very good value, as Lancashire schools pay £1.70 per day and have done for over a year. Milk Money for KS1 children is due in on Friday 7th April for the Summer Term.

Induction Evening

May 17th 7pm

Parents of children starting Reception in September 2006 are invited to attend an evening to welcome them to working in partnership for seven years with the staff, look round the school and purchase uniform.

It is a good opportunity to meet the PTFA and ask any questions.

Consultations with Parents

Many thanks to all of the parents who have been into school this week to discuss their child's progress with staff.

It is a good opportunity to catch up with teachers and make sure your child is working hard and doing their best.

It is also an important time for Foundation, Y2 and Y6 children and parents to be aware of the assessments taking place next term and how best to prepare for them, both at home and in school.

As a school we try very hard to provide a balanced curriculum and give all children the opportunity to excel in some way.

Swimming Gala

On Tuesday 4th April 16 children from Y5 and Y6 competed against 8 other schools in a gala at Palatine Pool. Our children were fantastic, they all swam really well and did their very best for the team. We came 3rd overall, with the girls coming 2nd and the boys winning the freestyle relay.

Well done to everyone you are a credit to our school!

Thanks to Mrs Heyes and Mr Lapsins for accompanying the children, also to Mrs Allen for choosing the team.

PRINTER CARTRIDGES

Please keep sending in any used toner/ printer cartridges.

PERSIL STARS

Please collect the tokens and send them in to school. We can purchase much needed arts and craft resources.

NESTLE CEREAL

Please keep sending in the Box Tops. They can be found on packets of Shreddies, Clusters and other Nestle cereals which provide a healthy start to the day for the family.

TESCO

We are collecting the TESCO computer tokens, for vital ICT equipment. Last year's total was 11,000.

SAINSBURYS

We can exchange the Sainsbury's tokens for PE equipment, please keep collecting.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 5th April

7pm Y3 Sacramental Programme for children and parents

7pm Y6 Sacramental Programmes for children in Y1

Thursday 6th April

3.30pm Y6 Helios Gym club

Friday 7th April

7.30am Mass

7.30pm Magic Show in the Hall

Monday 10th April

2pm Foundation and KS1 Easter Assembly

Tuesday 11th April

12.45pm Stations of the Cross for Faith & Light group

2pm Y3 and Y4 Easter Assembly

Wednesday 12th April

2pm, Y5 and Y6 Easter Assembly

Thursday 13th April

2pm Break up for Easter Holidays

Monday 24th April

8.45am School opens for the Summer Term

12.45pm KS2 Stacking club

Wednesday 26th April

7pm Y3 Sacramental meeting

8pm PTFA meeting

Friday 28th April

1pm mixed football lower juniors at Lancashire FA

No swimming for Y4

Monday May 1st

No School - Bank Holiday