



Our Lady & St Edward's Catholic Primary School

School Newsletter

Spring 2018

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 01 March 2018. Children may come to school dressed as a character from a book. If they do not wish to dress up as a character they must wear their school uniform. Children can also bring in their favourite book or a prop from a book. We will be having fun activities throughout the day.

Shrove Tuesday

The children have enjoyed pancakes this morning prior to the start of Lent. A whole school assembly will be held tomorrow for Ash Wednesday. Should you wish to attend Mass the parish will be holding an Ash Wednesday Mass at 7pm in church, all children and parents are welcome to attend.

Dogs

Can we please remind parents that no dogs are allowed on school premises. This also includes dogs being carried. Please do not leave dogs tied to the perimeter fence as this can be frightening for both dogs and people.

Parent Pay

Thank you to all parents who have signed up for ParentPay. We now have 94% activated, if you are still to activate your account and you are not sure how to do so please pop into the school office as we can help. Toast club, after school club, holiday clubs, activity clubs and dinner money should be paid in advance on ParentPay. Trips and residential should also be paid on ParentPay, paying by this method also gives permission for your child to attend.

Inset Day – Polling Station Reminder

We have been advised that our school will be a polling station in the upcoming elections. School therefore will be closed to pupils on **Thursday 3 May 2018**.

Play and Holy Week Assembly Dates

Tuesday 20 March pm – Year 3 & Year 4 Play
Tuesday 20 March evening - Year 3 & Year 4 Play
Wednesday 21 March am - Year 3 & Year 4 Play
Monday 26 March - KS1 Palm Sunday
Tuesday 27 March – KS2 Last Supper
Wednesday 28 March – Year 6 Stations of the Cross
Thursday 29 March- Foundation Stage Spring Assembly

Finally...

School closes for half term on Wednesday 14 February and we return back on Tuesday 27 February. Have an enjoyable half term.

Parking.

May I remind parents that no one should park or drop off children on the yellow zig-zag lines outside the school. This is a dangerous and illegal place to park especially when children are around. Parents should not park on Air Sea Containers premises or across their entrance. This could be a hazard in an emergency.

Attendance and Punctuality.

If your child is going to be absent, it is important that you inform the school on the first day of absence. Messages can be left on the absence line. School starts at 8.55am. All children should be in the school yard by 8.50am.

Parents of children who are persistently late and have high levels of absence will be invited in to school to discuss how this can be improved. The minimum attendance requirement for primary age children is 95%.

Collecting children early.

A number of parents are coming into the school office requesting to pick up children from school early. This should only happen in exceptional circumstances. Any appointments you need to make for your children should be made out of school time whenever possible. Should you need to collect your child early please note that we are unable to collect them prior to your arrival. Please leave plenty of time for them to be collected before your appointment.

Medication

Any medicines brought in to school must be clearly labelled with your child's name and dosage, with the pharmacy's original label on the medication. Parents must complete a consent form giving permission for the medicine to be administered by a member of staff. Please also ensure that if your child has an inhaler at school that they are in date and that forms have been completed in the office.