

Westminster Cathedral Catholic Primary School

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Newsletter

15th March 2019

'Love one another as I have loved you'

John 13:34

St Patrick's Day

17th March 2019

Who was Saint Patrick?

Saint Patrick was born about 385 AD in the United Kingdom.

When he was 16 years old, he was kidnapped by a group of Irish raiders and forced to become a slave in Ireland.

After six years being a shepherd, he finally escaped and became a priest, then later a bishop.

When he was about 60 years old, Saint Patrick returned to Ireland to spread the Christian word. He used the shamrock, which resembles a three-leafed clover, as a symbol to explain the concept of God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit).

Saint Patrick was important, because it's said he brought Christianity to the Irish people.



Dear parents and friends.

Year 5 assembly

Wednesday 13th March, Year 5 led the school assembly. The theme of their assembly was MEMORIES. The class shared a beautiful story about an elderly lady who was losing her memory. A young boy asked people in his community what a memory is. In his learning what a memory is and seeing his elderly friend lose her memory, the young boy helped gather items to help her remember. Year 5 also shared their memories and learning experiences whilst in Year 5. They shared some of their work. One piece of homework was for the children to imagine they were Jesus at the Last Supper and to place themselves as Jesus looking around at his friends and having certain memories. The class shared their learning about Growth Mindset and sang a song linked to Growth Mindset and never giving up but learning from our experiences to continue to improve and do better.

Parents' evening

A polite reminder that Parents' Evenings are Tuesday 26th March and Thursday 28th March, 3.30pm—6.00pm. Please remember to sign up for your requested slot. The sheets will be available from 8am Monday 18th March. Year R, 1, 2 the sheets will be outside the classroom and Years 3,4,5 and 6 will be at the front of the school.

Science Day

Monday 18th March is Science Day. Miss Figueredo has organised for each class to spend the day completing science investigations linked to the theme of JOURNEYS. The children are invited to come to school dressed as a scientist.

CAFOD FAST DAY

Please remember CAFOD Fast Day which is Friday 15th March. As part of Lent, CAFOD asks us to do a focused fast on Friday and to put the money usually spent in an envelope and give to CAFOD. **Please look out for the envelopes in your Parish and contribute generously.**

Catholic Children Society. We welcome the Catholic Children Society to school this Tuesday for a presentation to the school. Please look out for the information your child will bring home.

Pimlico Musical Foundation Spring Concert

Last Tuesday some of our pupils performed at St Gabriel's Church as part of the Pimlico Musical Foundation Choir. I was so impressed and so proud of all who took part. The quality of singing and the level of performance was outstanding. *"When we arrived we sat on our chairs and we waited for the rehearsal. When the concert started all of the groups from the different schools were singing. We sang a song called a lullaby from Hansel and Gretel."* Pupil voice.

I am so pleased and proud that we are part of this inter-school collaboration.

Basketball team

Congratulations to the Year 5 and 6 basketball team. They attended a tournament last Tuesday. Mr Beach was very pleased with their attitude, team work and their approach towards the tournament. Congratulations and thank you to Mr Beach, Mr Burns, Chanel, Liam, Akua, Vinnie and Edward. The team played six games, they won three, lost two and drew one.



Junior Citizen

Last week Year 6 took part in the Junior Citizen programme that is coordinated by Westminster. *"The first thing we did was split into our groups to look around the London Transport Museum. It was really fun because we got to have a look at the old buses and trains as well as the new ones. After that we got called into individual groups and we were paired with other schools first we worked with the Fire Brigade who taught us how to escape a fire and how to avoid getting hurt by a fire."* Julian. *"Our second activity was cyber-bullying and we watched a video about a girl called Becky who put a sign up outside her front door with all her personal details written all over it and two girls took photos of it and printed it out. We learnt from this not to share personal details when on-line."* Aimee. *"Our next activity was the bus transport. We learnt about safety rules and how to use an Oyster card. Then we went to the Police. This one was really fun. We learnt everything about 999 and we were asked to act out a play about a boy who got robbed. We learnt a lot this day."* Maria.

Year 2 trip

On Thursday, Year 2 visited the Randha-Krishna Temple in Soho as part of their topic. The children had a wonderful trip and were full of information on their return back to school.



Please look at the school website for more photographs.

Comic Relief

Continuing our theme of helping others and putting Common Good into action, we invited the pupils to come to school wearing red. We raised £196.00 for Comic Relief. This money is put towards a range of charities that helps people in the UK and across the world. The children looked amazing wearing a range of the colour red and it was lovely seeing the red noses being worn and the red headbands. The children were pleased to be part of this fund raising effort.



Key Dates for Spring

Year R: Gabriel and Yael

Year 1: Nayan and
Carolina

Year 2: Nathan and Seren

Year 3: Zhaylan and
Alejandro

Year 4: Oliver and Toby

Year 5: Amy-Leigh and
Vinnie

Year 6: Infinity and Jaibin

March 2019

Monday 18th-Whole School Science Day

Monday 18th – 2pm Year 4 library

Tuesday 19th—Catholic Children Society Lent Presenta-
tion and launch of collection boxes

Tuesday 19th – 2pm KS2 Reconciliation Service in
School

Wednesday 20th – Yrs R, 1 and 2 Lent Reflection with
Father Pat in School

Friday 22nd – Celebration Assembly

Monday 25th – 2pm Year 5 library

Tuesday 26th-Parents' Evening 3.30pm to 6pm

Wednesday 27th – 9.15am Year 1 Assembly

Wednesday 27th – Year 5 Billy the Kid Project

Thursday 28th-Parents' Evening 3.30pm to 6pm

Friday 29th– Celebration Assembly followed by a Parent
Presentation regarding Internet Safety

Sunday 31st – 10am Family Mass at Hoy Apostles. Chil-
dren from school will lead the Mass for Mother's Day.

April 2019

Tuesday 2nd – 9.15am Reception, Year 1 and year 2
Lent Assembly

Tuesday 2nd – 2pm Year 6 library

Wednesday 3rd – 9.15am Year 3 and Year 4 Palm Sun-
day and the Last Supper Assembly

Thursday 4th – 9.15am Year 5 and Year 6 Stations of the
Cross

Friday 5th – Celebration Assembly

Friday 5th – 1.30pm End of Term

Attendance

Congratulations to...

Year 6 for the highest percentage
of attendance for w/b 4th March
2019

Take a look at your own class'
attendance.

Year R—84%

Year 1— 96%

Year 2— 98%

Year 3— 95%

Year 4— 95%

Year 5— 98%

Year 6— 99%