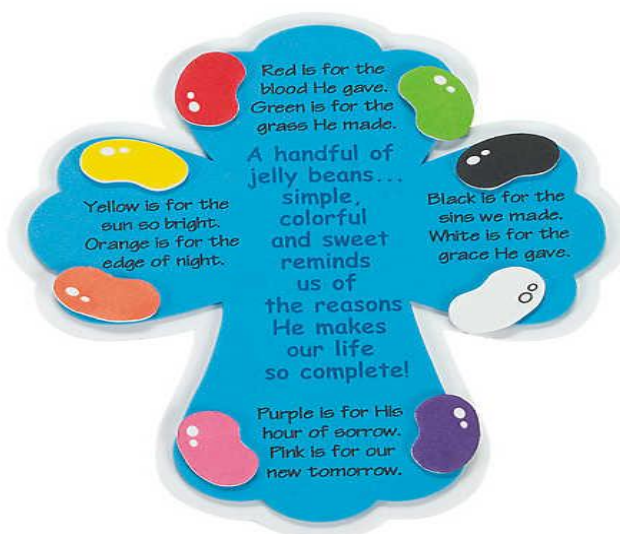


## Spring Term 2019

### Dear Parents,

The children took part in a lovely Ash Wednesday Liturgy on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March led by Fr. Chacko. This marked the start of our season of Lent, the 6 weeks before Easter. We have asked the children to either give something small up this Lent or to do something extra to help those around them.

This Lent please pray for all those who are suffering, especially the Waring family who have had an older child injured recently in a road accident.



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### Attendance

**No holiday** will be authorised **March to June** as there are on-going assessments and tests taking place for all pupils, but most notably for Years 1, 2 and 6. Holidays are only ever authorised where parents can evidence that they meet the exceptional circumstances criteria listed on our website. Please make sure that Grandparents are aware of these dates and criteria too.

### Staffing News

A big "Thank you" goes to Mrs Perry, who has been covering Mrs Atkinson during her maternity leave.

We welcome back Mrs Atkinson on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March as she restarts her 2 days a week in Y2OA.

### **Why Read?**

All pupils were asked this question and we would like to share with you a selection of their responses. *"It helps us to learn when we get older", "Because we like to", "So we can learn about God", "For fun!", "To change the way we think", "Reading takes you around the world and you can even time travel", "Because the more you read, the more you know, the more you read, the more places you will go!" "improve vocabulary", "For better life chances", "for our imagination".*

Your children obviously get a lot out of reading. Please take extra time to explore books with them and enjoy quality time together.

### **Uniform**

We have a large amount of clothing in our un-named lost property collection. Please ensure that your children's clothes are legibly named.

### **School Meals**

Please can you check that you have ordered meals for your child for every week of term as we are finding that not all parents have done so and you will need to provide packed lunches until you can sort it out.

### **World Book Week**

Thank you to everyone who supported this wonderful week.

Fun was had by all who participated in all of the brilliant events organised by Mrs Bunford and supported by all staff throughout the school.

There was an amazing turnout returning to school for children who wanted "A Book At Bedtime". The atmosphere was "buzzing" according to some parents who attended and the hot chocolate went down well too!

Due to your support of the Book Fayre we will benefit from extra books for all classes.

There was a magnificent response to the book mark competition with many original entries. We were overrun with super heroes, princesses and grannies on World Book Day.

<b>Book Week Winners 2019</b>		
<b>World Book Day Costumes</b>	<b>Bookmark Winners</b>	<b>Prize Draw Winners</b>
Manni	Amelia S KS1	Archie (RB)
Bailey	Kadie KS2	Crystal (1B)
Samuel		Bradlee (4L)
James D		Manni (Pre)
Lily S		Amelia (4L)
Agata		
Jake		
Frankie S		
Antonio		
Olivia C		
Emilia D		
Isabelle F		
William		

## Sport

Our football team have been busy this half term with regular football matches. On the 28th February, we took two teams to play against Kingsleigh Primary School. Both games were thrilling and end to end! Both games ended in a deserved draw! Well done to all who played!



We also played St. Walburga's on the 5th March. We managed to secure the win by beating them 4 goals to 3. The team played fantastically, even in the pouring rain! Man of the Match went to Jayden!

Well done team!

Mr Cooper and Mr Smith

**Nurse Drop In**

The next drop in session is due on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 8.45am. Please ask at Reception on the morning or if you could give notice, call the office.

**Easter Break**

The last day of term is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April when the school closes at 1.30pm. After school club is available for the afternoon session by request.

*Kind regards*  
*Mrs Clare Tickle*

Head teacher