



St Amand's Primary School— Information for Parents

NEWSLETTER

24 February 2017

Dear Parents

The Wednesday Words are God's Kingdom

Football/Netball tournaments and Dance and Badminton Festivals

It has been a busy sporting week. Our mixed Yr 3/4 football team played very well in the Vale Tournament yesterday. Today some children are taking part in the KA's inclusive dance festival and the mixed Yr 5/6 netball tournament. Next week Yr 3/4 will take part in the Badminton Festival. Good luck to all children.

Tuesday 28 February

On Shrove Tuesday, we will join the annual village procession to Hendred House to receive our bun and a penny! In the afternoon, Fr. Andrew will hold a Penitential service and following this there will be Sacrament of Reconciliation for KS2 children.

Ash Wednesday Mass

Please join us for Mass on Wednesday 1 March at **11.15am** in St Mary's Church

World Book Day, Thursday 2 March

We will once again be inviting the children to come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book if they wish. We do not expect parents to go to a lot of expense providing costumes; usually the more simple, homemade ones are more effective. Charity shops are always good places to pick up suitable items of clothing. The Yr 6 children will be out for their IMPS visit in the morning but are very welcome to bring a costume to school to change into for the afternoon.

A date for your diary: Friday 17 March 5.30-7.30pm

The CAFOD theme this **Lent** is *Turn Little Fish into Big Fish*.

Our support will mean that CAFOD partners around the world can train more people to set up small businesses and earn a living. With training and support, families in Zambia have created thriving businesses selling fish, so they can buy the things their families need and send their children to school. Not only that, they can teach others in their community how to do the same.

We have decided to support and raise money for CAFOD, by holding a **Family Fish and Chip and Quiz evening**, with a DVD for children. We plan to serve supper between 5.30 and 6pm, following this, children can watch a DVD in a classroom and adults can take part in a quiz. Debbie will be sending a letter next week with more details. Please bring your family and friends; all our little actions will make a really big difference to people living in poverty.

Friday 17th will be a non-uniform day and Hedgehogs class will be asked to provide cakes to sell during the day.

Best wishes

Mrs H Ellery



Sainsbury's
Active Kids

Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers are now being issued until 02.05.17. Please collect on behalf of the school. All vouchers must be sent into school by 30 June 2017. Thank you.

It is still not too late to join the 200 Club! This is a very easy way of raising funds for the PTA. All funds raised by the PTA are used to provide equipment or extra-curricular events for the school – without these contributions our children would not be able to partake in so many interesting workshops etc.

The 200 Club is really easy to join and only costs £1 per lucky number per month - £12 per number per annum. You can have as many numbers as you like and anyone who wishes to join can do so. Each month half of the monthly income is given to the lucky winner. The more members the greater the prize!! Letter and membership form attached.



New school menus come into force from Monday 27 February. The children should have brought a copy of the new menu home today. I have also attached a copy for your information.

Diary Dates:

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| Tues 28 Feb | - Children to go "Shroving" to Hendred House |
| | - KS2 Penitential Service and confessions in school |
| Weds 1 Mar | - Ash Wednesday Mass in St Mary's, 11.15am. All welcome |
| Thurs 2 Mar | - World Book Day. Children to come to school dressed as book character |
| | - IMPS Visit for Year 6 |
| | - Bisi Badminton Festival |
| Weds 8 Mar | - Owls and Rabbits Classes school trip to the Oxford Bus Museum |
| Tues 14 Mar | - Big Bang at RAL Event for Yrs 5 & 6 |
| Fri 17 Mar | - CAFOD Day, Family Fish & Chip supper. Further details to follow. |
| | - Non-uniform day. Hedgehogs class to provide cakes to sell. |
| Mon 20 Mar | - Heights & Weights measurements for R and Yr 6 children |
| Tues 21 Mar | - Yr 6 to watch KA's production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat |
| Thurs 23 Mar | - Last Chess Club |
| Mon 27 Mar | - Last Football Coaching |
| Weds 29 Mar | - Last Table Tennis Club |
| Thurs 30 Mar | - Parent Consultations 3.30-6.30pm |
| Fri 31 Mar | - Stations of the Cross for KS2 children at St Mary's, 2.00pm. All Welcome. |
| Mon 3 Apr | - Mass at St Mary's, 9.15am. All welcome |
| Tues 4 April | - Parent Consultations, 4.00-7.00pm |
| Thurs 6 Apr | - School Disco, 5.30-7.00pm. Further details to follow |
| Fri 7 Apr | - School closes at 1.30pm for end of term. |
| Mon 24 Apr | - Term 5 begins |

