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Together Everyone Achieves More



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Dear Parents,

Earlier this week year three lead a wonderful Easter Service using song, poetry, drama and prayers. They reminded us of the hope that Easter brings. May I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Easter. All of the children in each class have brought in pennies and loose change during Lent to make the shape of a fish. We have made a lot of fish and raised money for CAFOD at the same time. The funds raised will go to families in extreme poverty. Thank you for all of the support.

Our School Reading Challenge

Over the last term the teachers have worked hard to encourage more children to develop reading for pleasure. We have a number of children who can read very effectively, but have not yet found the book that inspires them to read for pleasure. As adults we can all think back to that special book, the one book we remember more than any other that motivated us to read for pleasure. If as a school and with your help we get all children reading for pleasure we will have achieved something very special. Recent research shows that:

1. Children who read 10 minutes a day at school and a further 10 minutes a day at home access more than 2 million extra words a year.
2. Children who are read to regularly even up to year six are more likely to have successful outcomes in education and beyond.

School Building Work

After Easter we will have the builders on site constructing new classes for the reception children ready for September. This will also include the demolition of the old mobile class used by year 2. This is a very exciting time for the school. The plans look fantastic. The building work will cause some disruption but we have kept this to a minimum. One big change is that I am asking for parents and children to come to school via the church yard or the top gate (main gate) as usual. However, if you use the top gate we will ask you to walk by the church centre as the works will be based in the school car park and there may be tools or items that do not need the curiosity of our children.

Prints of the School

You may have seen on our website the picture of two children walking into school through the churchyard. This is an original piece of artwork completed by well-known local artist, Ian Fennelly, who has completed commissions nationally and internationally. He has made a limited number of prints available for us to sell from school. Various size prints can be made but as a guide the price for a print on A1 is £75, A2 is £65, A3 is £55. <http://www.stbridgets.wirral.sch.uk/website>

If you would like to order a print please send your details and requirements in an envelope to the school office.

A message from the Church Wardens - Travelling through the church grounds

"Before and after school some children and siblings have a tendency to run about over the graves. We are very concerned about this, as some of the grave stones are loose and we are worried that they may topple over. If this should happen with a child nearby there could be a serious accident." I would ask that you support the advice from the church wardens and help younger children travel through the graveyard with care and safety.

Singapore Maths Morning

Thank you to those parents who turned up to our Singapore Maths morning. Hopefully you are all now feel more informed about how we are developing the teaching of maths.

Parents evening

Thank you to all of the parents who came to parents evening. Over the course of the week we received lots of positive comments. If you were unable to make parents evening please contact the class teacher for an appointment after Easter.

Sporting Success

Well done to Y5/6 Quick sticks team who played at Bebington. St Bridget's and St Peter's are the first 2 out of 3 schools chosen to represent Wirral at the Merseyside School Games in July.

Cross Country

Our Cross Country team continues to go from strength to strength. Two weeks ago both the boys' and girls' team gained second places. Yesterday the teams ran again. Both teams gained fourth place in tricky conditions at Arrowe Park. My thanks to Mr Green and Mrs Barnes for their support

Chess Team

Well done to the St Bridget's chess team who won a chess tournament held at Ladymount against 6 other teams.

Orienteering Team

Thank you to Mrs Barnes who took some of our year six girls to the Merseyside Primary School Orienteering Championship. In spite of their nervousness about getting lost they all completed the course with no assistance. Out of 27 year six girls our team placed as follows:

- Emma 1st Gold medal
- Elena 3rd Bronze medal
- Isla 4th
- Olivia 6th
- Mariam 12th

Happy Easter from all of the staff at St. Bridget's,

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