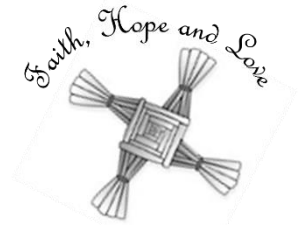




# St Bridget's C of E Primary School

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*"Love your neighbour as yourself."*

*Luke 10:27*

**24-3-23**

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **This week**

This week we have had school discos for KS1 and KS2 supported by the PTA. For some of the younger children this was their first experience of a school disco and they were very excited. We have continued to take part in sports competitions, visit Church for the Easter Experience as well as hold a musical concert after school on Wednesday. Part of the joy and challenge of playing musical instruments is to play for an audience. The children were great and showed off their talents with confidence and skill. My thanks to Mrs Longmore for organising this as well as the many staff and parents who support the children's musical talents.

## **Staffing Update**

This week it was confirmed that Miss Marr is unable to return to work before Easter due to a medical issue. We are sorry to see her go and wish her well in her next school. After Easter we are welcoming Mrs McMahon who will be taking over from Miss Marr for the Summer term.

## **Experience Easter 2023**

We would like to say a big Thank You to Reverend Alex and all her wonderful helpers at our church, because this week every child has taken part in "Experience Easter."

Experience Easter helps us to learn and consider once again the events of the Easter Story in an interactive and thought-provoking way. Each year group has been over to church this week. After an initial introduction altogether, the children split into 5 groups (House Teams) and moved around the 5 stations to learn more about aspects of Holy Week. These stations were: The Washing of Feet, Palm Sunday, The Last Supper, The Garden of Gethsemane and The Tomb. We all then gathered together again as a year group at the end for final reflections and prayer.

This year felt even more special as it is the first time we have had Experience Easter back in church since before the Covid pandemic.

We have all loved our time in church and learned more about Easter. We are very grateful to the friends at our church for all their hard work, time and energies. We had a lot of fun together.



## Reading – Using our Accelerated Reader Programme

We are delighted to see the Accelerated Reader Programme start to have a positive impact on pupils' engagement with Reading in school and thank you to the PTA for funding this last year. We have seen children across the school begin to think about challenging themselves with their reading in order to hit self-set targets and challenges. This week one Year 5 class managed to reach an impressive word target of 900,000 words and have used this information to set themselves the target of 1,000,000 words in a school week. This kind of engagement and enjoyment of reading can only have a positive impact on the children's reading outcomes and we cannot wait to continue developing this with the children.

## Parent Meetings – 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> March

These meetings will need to be online and the sign up is live. If there are any problems with connections (hopefully not) we will always contact you at another time.

## Sporting News

- Last week two Year Six netball teams took part in the Edsential netball competition. They finished 1<sup>st</sup> and joint second.
- This week a Year Five/Six team played in the Edsential competition. They finished second. As always, my thanks for the additional adult support to travel to these events.

## Polite reminders

- Car parking and drop off – Please can I remind you that it is really helpful if we can use Ludlow Lane as a one way. Please see this [link](#).

## Useful dates:

29<sup>th</sup> March - Y3 leading the Church Service @2pm

## Save the Dates - Summer Social and Summer Fair coming soon!

### Summer Social - Fri 16th June

A chance for grown-ups to enjoy an evening of live music, food & dancing at Caldys Rugby Club.

### Summer Fair - Sat 1st July

An afternoon of fun for the whole family with face painting, games, food, music, market stalls & much more!

If you are able to help with the Summer Fair, please contact the PTA on [stbridgetspa@gmail.com](mailto:stbridgetspa@gmail.com) There will be follow up messages asking for helpers after Easter.

Thank you for your continued support,

*Neil Le Feuvre*

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