



Friday Flyer

Friday 26th February 2016

Spring Term 7

Living, Loving and Learning Together in God's Way

LEARNING



Stars of the week



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| FS2 | Megan | 1 | Isabelle |
| 2 | Reuben | 3 | Dougy |
| 4 | Aaliyah | 5 | Alfie and Tia |
| 6 | Maddison | | |

This week's 'Smile' awards

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| FS2 | Millie and William | 1 | Edie |
| 2 | Rosie | 3 | Harry |
| 4 | Jayden | 5 | Nashya |
| 6 | Jonah | | |

Prefects

Congratulations to Amelia who has become a prefect, well done for your hard work.

Attendance Award

The results for week commencing 8th February are as follows:

Class FS2	98.99%	2nd
Class 1	94.83%	
Class 2	99.09%	1st
Class 3	96.43%	3rd
Class 4	93.57%	
Class 5	94.55%	
Class 6	95.36%	

Congratulations to Class 2.

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Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

Thank you for all the vouchers that are being put in the collection box in reception.

World Book Day

World book day is taking place on **Thursday 3rd March** and to celebrate we have chosen to have an open day focusing on People in our Community. Each class will have an allocated session in the school hall with the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service. They will be talking to the children about a range of issues from basic fire safety and calling 999 to emergency exit plans and procedures. We also hope to have a few visitors from other sectors in our community who will visit individual classes throughout the day. **Please be aware that the children will be invited to come to school that day dressed up in a uniform of their choice**, popular suggestions from the children have been Bob the Builder, Fireman Sam, Postman Pat and 'my Mum'. Please ensure that children wear sensible clothing and footwear. Thank you for your support.

Charity Fund Raising Box

We have a new orange charity box in reception to collect for the Catholic Children's Society. Items to put in the box are: stamps, used postcards, foreign coins and bank notes, metal badges, keys and watches, old maps (pre1940) and cutlery. We hope you will help us to support this valuable charity.

Raising money for CAFOD's 'Make a Splash campaign.

To raise money in Lent, the children are hoping to carry out chores around the home in exchange for voluntary donations. Your child will come home with a letter about this and a special money box for collecting donations.

The children will be thinking about how their actions during Lent will have a positive impact on children around the world who are less fortunate. The money raised will support CAFOD's partners to help communities gain access to clean water and sanitation, so that children can attend school and build a better future.

Well done to those that have already brought in their boxes. They don't need to be full, and small change is great.

Fundraising Craft Fair/Coffee Morning

Some of our talented TA's are organising a craft fair & coffee morning on **Saturday 12th March**, in aid of Marie Curie www.mariecurie.org.uk

It will be held at the Methodist Church Hall in Shaldon from 9:30am until 1:00pm. Please go along to join them for refreshments and see all the lovely handcrafted items they have on sale.

Afternoon Walking Bus Job Vacancy

Fish is an afterschool club looking for an extra pair of hands to assist with the walking bus for OLSP children attending the afterschool club at Mill Lane. They are looking for someone who can help each afternoon to collect the children from OLSP and walk them to Mill Lane, hours would be 3pm – 3.30pm with a weekly wage of £27.00, term time only. To apply please call Sarah 08445 618847 or email sarah@fishkids.co.uk or pop in and speak to Michelle in the after school club one afternoon from 3.30pm onwards.

Dates for your Diary

3 rd March	World Book Day
17 th March 10am OLSP Church Teignmouth	St Patrick's Day Mass for pupils in years 3 to 6
21 st March 10- 11.30am	Reconciliation Service school hall years 3 to 6
24 th March 10am	Year 3 and 4 Washing of Feet and Last Supper Liturgy in school hall- children only
Monday 21 st , Tuesday 22 nd and Thursday 24 th March	Parents' evenings FSU - Y6
Thursday 24 th March	Last day of term



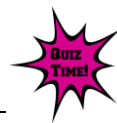
LOVING 3rd Sunday Lent



First Holy Communion

The next meeting will be held tomorrow **Saturday 27th February from 10.30am until 12.00pm at Our Lady & St Patrick's Church for the First Session.** We really look forward to seeing you all there. Father Mark

We will be hosting a **Parish and School 'Great Big Diocesan Quiz Night'** to raise funds for the Catholic Children's Society. This evening will be open to families, friends, and parishioners of all ages in our school hall on Friday 15th April. Watch this space for more details when we have them!



'To live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often.' *Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman*

In our Gospel this Sunday, Jesus tells us a story about a tree that did not bear any fruit and all the things that the gardener planned to try to make it grow better. People are like trees, they need certain things to grow and be healthy, too. Throughout your child's years at Our Lady and St Patrick's School, the whole family will grow and change- learning more about life and about one another. Change can be an exciting part of family life. The season of Lent brings a great opportunity for us to examine our consciences – do we need a change of heart, a change of attitude?

Jesus tells us many parables. Does your child know what a parable is? At school we talk about a parable as a story that teaches us something. Jesus likes to use stories to explain things that are complicated. The parable we hear this weekend is about a fig tree. The man who had planted the fig tree in his garden came out to pick some fruit, but there wasn't any. The man had been waiting for three years for the tree to give him some fruit. I wonder if he felt a bit angry and disappointed. He asked his gardener to cut down the tree but the gardener asks for one more year to look after the tree – to dig round it and give it some manure to help it grow. We know that plants and trees need the right conditions to grow and so the gardener hopes that by doing this, the tree will grow fruit.

When we are not generous to other people and share what we have with those who need it, we don't allow them to grow. Just like plants and fig trees, humans need water in order to grow. We need water even more than we need food in order to survive. The fig tree in Jesus' story is supposed to share its fruit with the man who planted it, but it is not doing what it is supposed to. Sometimes perhaps we are a bit like the fig tree. We do not share as well as we could.

So, if the fig tree in Jesus' story is a bit like us, I wonder who your child thinks the gardener is? Perhaps he is like Jesus. The gardener gives the fig tree another chance, and gives it all the things it needs to live. Jesus is always ready to forgive us when we have done something wrong. And Jesus shows us how we should live our lives.

God gives us the chance to change, to share what we have and to do all that we can to make sure that all people have the things that they need to live. How does it make us feel to know this?

How will you Make a Splash! this Lent and help change the lives of other people?

(Adapted from the Wednesday Word)



During the month of January, our Values Award will be given to people who we show forgiveness to others.

Lent is a time of change. God has planted us on this earth to produce the good fruits of love, joy and kindness in our lives.



Are you showing forgiveness and mercy to others at home and in school this week?

Thank you for your patient care for us. Show us where we need to change- to grow more in our love for you and care for each other. Amen.

In our thoughts

Before Christmas Mrs Cuddy had to have surgery for cancer. We would like to wish her a full and speedy recovery. She is part way through her chemotherapy treatment and we are sure she would like to be thought of in all our prayers.

We wish you all a wonderful weekend and thank you for your support with and positive responses to our maths calculation evenings this week. Mrs Sarah Barreto Head Teacher