

# St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023



## Upcoming Events...

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	KS2 Mini First Aid Assembly
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Teachers Industrial Action – School Closed
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March (8:50am)	Year 5/6 Liturgical Prayer “Eucharist/Relating”
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Mothers’ Day Gift Shop
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March (3:00pm - 4:00pm)	Mothers’ Day Afternoon Tea
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day

**Proud to be Me:** *LENT: “Lent is a ‘powerful’ season, a turning point that can foster change in each of us.” Pope Francis “Lent is a time for drawing near to Christ by listening to the word of God and celebrating the sacraments.” Pope Francis Perhaps we can: set aside a few minutes each day to pray, asking God to help us; read God’s word in the Bible or in The Wednesday Word; regularly say the ‘Our Father’ together, thinking carefully about each sentence; go to church together; fast from a meal or snack and give the money saved to charity.*

Reception Year 1	Thomas Harry	For showing dedication in maths this week and being determined! For creating a thoughtful Lenten promise and a wonderful Lenten garden to represent Jesus’ time in the desert.
Year 2	Kaidan	For being really engaged in our learning about Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday and the session of Lent. Kaidan created a lovely Lent promise to pray more to be closer to God.
Year 3	Carter	For showing a special interest in our Lenten prayers and listening so well during assembly on Ash Wednesday.
Year 4	Matilda	For reading so beautifully in Ash Wednesday mass and taking pride in her work in lessons.
Year 5	Jensen W	Jensen created a lovely Lenten promise this week, taking real pride in his presentation.
Year 6	Ashleigh	Ashleigh showed determination and perseverance in Maths this week and has made real progress with long multiplication and division!

**P.E.:** Eden for her perseverance during Football learning lots of new skills. Clay for his great football ability and showing a keen interest in learning new skills. Great Work Clay! Zak -Although Zak found some of the skills tricky, he didn’t stop trying and did an excellent job. Well done Zak for your perseverance!

**Spanish:** Iona showed great enthusiasm during our Spanish Carnival lesson. Elma always tries her best in every Spanish lesson and has been practising at home too! Esme H persevered with her Spanish writing today and wrote some fantastic sentences. Daisy is always kind and helpful and puts maximum effort into every Spanish lesson.

**Music:** Iona for her super singing this week. Clay for his great ‘Firebird’ and brass instrument work. Ashleigh and Violet M for their super partner work on orchestral stringed instruments this week.

**Attendance:** Year 3/4 with 97.7%

**House of the week:** St Teresa’s with 364 points

**Happy Birthday** to Esme H, Evie, Heidi, Isla H and Christopher.

Bronze Awards go to **Maya J** and **Esme** for earning 100 Monster Effort Points – Well done!

Silver Awards go to Harry, Max, Isla, Nancy and Edna for earning 200 Monster Effort Points – Well done!

## Plugs for Parents...

**KS2 Mini First Aid Assembly 27.02.23:** Mini First Aid Sheffield will be joining KS2 to give an assembly specifically on the risk of choking. Children will learn how to recognise when someone is choking and will be equipped to help them. Children will also gain a better understanding of how to reduce their own risk of choking.

**Teachers Industrial Action – School Closed 28.02.23:** We can confirm that School will be closed to children on this day with a small number of children attending by invitation only. Emails have been sent out this week with information.

## Plugs for Parents Continued...

**World Book Day 02.03.23:** This year we have made the decision for children to choose how they would like to dress for World book day. Some children and adults will come dressed as their favourite character; some children and adults will come dressed in their pyjamas ready for a bedtime story; whilst others will come dressed in their own clothes ready to enjoy their favourite books on world book day. Classes will share stories from all around the world throughout the day and Miss Eady will end world book day with a whole-school story time.

**Year 5/6 Liturgical Prayer "Eucharist/Relating" 08.03.23:** Family and Friends are warmly invited to join us in the School Hall for this Liturgical Prayer.

**Mothers' Day Gift Shop 17.03.23:** SAFFA are holding a Mothers' Day gift sale which will take place after lunch in school. Children will have a choice of 3 gifts to purchase for their loved ones. Each item will be £3. Please send your child to school with their money in a labelled envelope or wallet/purse.

**Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea 17.03.23:** Everyone welcome! Why not treat your loved one to a selection of sandwiches served with sausage rolls followed by scones with jam and clotted cream, topped off with a piece of cake and a nice cup of tea! Tickets will be on sale from the school office from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> - £10 for 1 adult & 1 child (£4 for additional children and £6 for an additional adult).

**First Holy Communion and Confirmation:** Fr Dominic is welcoming anyone who would like their child to receive their First holy Communion and Confirmation to get in touch. Please email Fr Dominic at [dominicjenkinson@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:dominicjenkinson@yahoo.co.uk) if you would like to find out more about the process – he will be more than happy to answer any questions you may have.

**Sunday Mass at St Ann's and St Mary's:** Children's Liturgy is starting again at Sunday Mass in both churches. Mass at St Mary's in Penistone is at 10am every Sunday and Mass at St Ann's in Deepcar is at 5:30pm every Sunday.

**Music Lessons:** For those children taking music lessons with Mrs Fitzpatrick, piano and trumpet lessons are starting up again next week, including ukulele lessons after school on Mondays.

**Penny Wars!** A quick reminder that all year the classes are competing in Penny Wars! Children can place their coppers in their class's jar to gain points and place their silver coins in another class's jar to lower their total score. At the end of the year the winning class gets a movie afternoon with popcorn!

**National Online Safety:** With around 60,000 songs added to its online library every day, Spotify is a vast treasure trove of audio dating from some 19th century recordings through to giants of the download age like The Weeknd and Ed Sheeran. Factor podcasts, audiobooks and videos into the mix, and the Swedish-based streaming platform quite literally offers something for everyone. Not everything in Spotify's depths is universally suitable, however. The sheer mass of music and content on the platform mean that, naturally, not all of it is intended for younger listeners. With an audio chat service available and media reports of predatory activity, our #WakeUpWednesday guide highlights other aspects of Spotify which trusted adults ought to be in the loop about. In the attached guide you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as age-inappropriate lyrics, an audio chat function and recent reports of predatory activity.

**Ten:Ten:** Please follow this link for February's [Ten:Ten Parent Newsletter](#).

**Wednesday Word:** Please see here for this week's [Wednesday Word](#)

## Other items...

**St Mary's Market Stalls:** Our Parish Church of St Mary's continues to have a charity stall in Penistone Market every Thursday. The stall needs items to sell, particularly Bric-a-brac, games, and puzzles. No electrical items please. If anyone is having a clear out over the holiday, please bring donations into the school office – thank you.

## Picture News...

The question we will be deliberating this week is...

# TAKEHOME



## Should everyone have access to a mode of transport?



## In the news this week

Long-term bike hire schemes are on the rise. Several companies have launched services, where users can pay a monthly fee to use a high-quality bike or e-bike, with any repairs or upgrades included and if the bike is stolen, a fixed low fee is paid to give the user security.

It's not just adults who can join in the long-term bike rental trend. London-based 'Bike Club' is aimed at children aged 4 to 12 and has 55,000 active members across the UK and Germany, where it recently launched.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- Do many people ride bikes around your local area? Do you?
- What do you believe are the benefits of paying monthly to use a bike? Do you think there are any downsides? Is it something you would like to do?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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## Attached with this Newsletter...

- National Online Safety – Spotify
- SAFFA – Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea
- St Ann's and St Mary's Newsletter – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Some Ideas for Something Different this Lent
- St Mary's Bulletin