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PRAYER of ST PATRICK

Christ be with me,
Christ within me,
Christ behind me,
Christ before me,
Christ beside me,
Christ to win me,

Christ to comfort and restore
me.

Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ in quiet,
Christ in danger,

Christ in hearts of all that love
me,

Christ in mouth of friend and
stranger.



Liturgical Celebrations



Monday 18th March – *St Patrick's Day*

Thursday 25th April – *9.30am Infant Easter Liturgies / 10.15am Junior Easter Liturgies*

Thursday 23rd May – *Our Lady of the Visitation*

Thursday 27th June – *Sacred Heart of Jesus*

Tuesday 23rd July – *Leavers Mass*

HAPPY ST PATRICK'S DAY: I wish everyone a happy day on Sunday. We will be celebrating St Patrick's day with 10am Mass on Monday. The children are expected to wear full uniform but may wear green accessories, such as, hair ribbons, socks, shamrock and badges.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN: This week we had a peer review that was conducted by two headteachers from neighbouring schools. The focus was on Maths and writing and the teaching of both were found to be of a high standard. However, both headteachers praised the children for their excellent behaviour, positive attitude to learning, good manners and the pride they have in themselves and the school. Well done children. You are a credit to us all. We are very proud of you.

PARENTAL FEEDBACK: Governors were available during the parents' evening to receive feedback from the parents. This was overwhelmingly positive. 95% of parents spoken to said they were very happy with all aspects of the school. Other comments included:

- The Headteacher and staff are all very approachable
- We are pleased with the Catholic Ethos/Education and the regular attendance at Mass
- The children love going to school. A family of friendship is always encouraged.

There are a few areas that you would like us to work on.

The gates are not always open on time.

I have spoken to staff about ensuring that the children are out on time however this is not always possible. The whole class needs to wait for a child who cannot find their coat or needs a last minute trip to the toilet.

We cannot open the gates until year 1 are safely out or they will be trampled in the rush. However, we have agreed that when it is raining year 1, 2 and 3 will come out at 3.25pm and stand under the shelters so that the gates can be opened a little early.

I ask that you stay on the other side of the second pitch to allow junior children to come out and be dismissed safely.

A covered area for waiting parents.

The area outside the school does not belong to the school and to install a covered area would require planning permission. However, I will look into the feasibility of this.

More encouragement for less confident children to read at Mass and other events.

We encourage all the children to read/speak at a variety of events and staff do ask children if they would like to read. We will work on this further to ensure that any child who would like to read gets the opportunity.

A parent was concerned that all minor queries go to the headteacher.

This is not the case. As I stand on the gate parents do approach me and I am happy to chat and answer any questions you have. However, we do have notes in the school office that you can fill in, if you feel this is more appropriate. This will be given to the relevant member of staff who will deal with your query and get back to you. No problem is too small! We prefer to sort out the little problems before they turn into big ones.

Thank you for your feedback. We will continue to listen to your feedback and do our best to put in place the suggested improvements.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS Big and Small: We would love our grass area to look as plush as this



but at the moment it looks more like this!



Can you help? Please come with your rakes and spades and help us to sow some grass seeds on Saturday 23rd March from 10am to 12pm. **Children are welcome.** Some of our bare patches are quite large. If you know anyone who would be willing to donate some turf please give them the school details.



COFFEE MORNING: Please join us for Tea and Biscuits (plain biscuits because it is Lent) on Friday 29th March from 8.50am. This will be an opportunity to get together, view some of the children's work and begin to organise a BINGO NIGHT. If you are able to help with setting up please let Emma in the office know nearer the day.

**Inspire girls in your area today.
Volunteer at girlguiding.org.uk**



SUPPORTING YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY: The local Girl Guide and Rainbows association are looking for volunteers to help with this very worthwhile cause. They are hoping, with enough volunteers, to **re-open the Visitation Brownies Group.** This would really benefit the younger girls in our school and community. For more details of how to volunteer and what would be expected please go to girlguiding.org.uk.

Diary Dates

March 2019

Monday 25th - Year 3 London Wetlands Centre trip
Thursday 28th – 9.15am Year 3 & 4 Recorder Concert
Thursday 28th – 2.30pm Year 5 African Drumming Concert
Thursday 28th – 4.00pm After School Club African Drumming Concert

April 2019

Wednesday 3rd – Year 1 Kew Gardens trip
Thursday 4th – Term ends for Afternoon Nursery
Friday 5th – Last Day of Spring Term

Class Assemblies

Monday 18th March - 50
Monday 25th March – 4P
Monday 1st April – 3N
Thursday 4th April – FS2G
All class assemblies start at 2.40pm

Yours sincerely,
Kathleen Coll

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Headteacher

ACHIEVEMENTS PAGE

ATTENDANCE: Please see the table below for class attendance for the week of 4th to 8th March. Congratulations to 6C class for 100% attendance last week.

FS1A	92.3%
FS1B	94.2%
BUTTERFLIES	96.7%
BUMBLEBEES	92.1%
1G	97.1%
1B	99.2%
2C	99.6%
2V	97.9%
3A	99.2%
3N	94.6%
4W	96.3%
4P	98.8%
5O	99.2%
5Y	98.8%
6W	97.5%
6C	91.7%

PRAISE CERTIFICATES: Each week children are awarded a Praise Certificate for a range of reasons; excellent work, making a greater effort, consistent and sustained improvement, displaying the Gospel Values of friendship, supporting and helping others, to name but a few. Congratulations to the following children who received the Praise certificate this week.

Alan and Joshua - Butterflies

Jasper and Amelie – 1B

Jakub and Isabelle – 1G

Iona and Austin – 2C

Alicia and Sion – 2V

Danny and Audrey – 3A

Max and Tosia – 3N

Kuba and Karolina – 4P

Maja and Jude – 4W

Connor and Chloe – 5O

Chloe-Maria and Samuel – 5Y

Jaden and Erin – 6C

Hannah and Harvey – 6W

Other Announcements:

CLASS ASSEMBLIES: Thank you to 3A who taught us all about St Patrick. You told the account of this very important Saint, in our lives, in an entertaining and sometimes humorous way. Thank you also to 1B for their 'Bright and Beautiful' Spring assembly. Once again your confidence and joy shone as brightly as your clothes and smiles.