



# St. Austin's Catholic Primary School A Catholic Voluntary Academy Weekly Newsletter: Friday 13th April 2018 No: 26



## Easter Joy!

This week we have had our own Easter Liturgies in the form of assemblies and a whole school mass. Easter Sunday is the greatest day in the Church's calendar. Throughout the world the Church remembers and celebrates the resurrection of Jesus. Eastertide, which lasts for 50 days, is a time to remember that each one of us is offered a share in Jesus's everlasting life and eternal happiness.

On the second Sunday of Easter, which was the day before the Summer Term began, the Gospel reading focused on Thomas who refused to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. It was only when he touched the marks on the hands of Jesus and felt the wound in his side that he believed. Jesus encouraged him to do this. There are many times when we all need encouraging; to be inspired with courage and to have our hope renewed, especially when we are going through difficult times. Through His resurrection, we are to be encouraged by the fact that Jesus is still truly close to us and ready to help us to believe.

"We can't have full knowledge all at once. We must start by believing." St. Thomas Aquinas



## Week beginning Monday 16th April

### Monday 16th April

Netball Club—3.30pm with Miss. Balmond

### Tuesday 17th April

Computing Club—3.30pm with Miss Workman

### Wednesday 18th April

Football Coaching—3.30pm with Elite Coaching

### Thursday 19th April

KS2 Choir—3.30pm with Mr. Molyneux and Mrs. Willis

### Friday 20th April

Dance Club—3.30pm with Elite Coaching

## School Uniform

Despite the cold and damp start to the Summer Term, we live in hope that the weather will soon get warmer. Many of our children have started wearing the Summer Uniform which is:

### Girls summer uniform

Green and white gingham chequered dress, yellow polo shirt and grey tailored shorts or a green skirt and white socks.

### Boys summer uniform

Yellow polo shirt and grey shorts and grey socks.

**All children must have their PE kit with them in school each week, which includes a pair of trainers to enable them to participate fully in PE lessons.**

## Farewell to Mrs. Williams

On Friday 20th April Mrs. Williams who works in our school office and is our Senior Lunchtime Supervisor will leave our school after eight years to take up a promotion at a post in another school. We thank her for all her hard work and support she has shown to the wider life of St. Austin's School including the FOSAS events and the annual talent show at St. Austin's Theatre. We are currently in the process of finding her replacement with interviews for this post scheduled for next week. We ask you to keep Mrs. Williams in your prayers as she begins her new role.

## Hello to Mrs. Adams

On Monday 16th April we will welcome Mrs. Adams to St. Austin's. Mrs. Adams will teach our Y3/4 class replacing Mrs. Jackson who left us before the Easter holiday.

Y3/4 will be taught by Mrs. Turner on a Monday and Tuesday with Mrs. Adams teaching for the remainder of the week (Wednesday to Friday).

Mrs. Adams will be with us all of next week to enable her to spend time working alongside Mrs. Turner in the classroom getting to know our routines as well as the children in the class.

Mrs. Adams is really looking forward to working with us during the Summer Term and we are sure you will give her a warm welcome too.

## Hot Chocolate Friday

The following children have been rewarded with 'Hot Chocolate with the Head' for their super behaviour and excellent attitude towards all aspects of school. This is the final group before the Easter Break. Congratulations to the following Children

Class RW – Isabel Joseph  
Class RK – Zoey Iro  
Class 1T – Sundas Qasim  
Class 1/2C – Lucy Selway  
Class 2V – Lily Seaton  
Class 3W – Angel Coelho  
Class 3/4JT – Aaysha Abassi  
Class 4N – Lulu Bradshaw  
Class 5B – Eva Jordan  
Class 5/6C – Alisha Afzal  
Class 6CD – Laiba Arshad

### Diary Dates for the Summer Term

Wednesday 25th April	Y5 Fire Service Visit (in school)
Friday 27th April	Y4 Athletics Festival at St. Wilfrid's—9am departure from school
Monday 30th April	Y4 Skipping Festival at St. Wilfrid's—9am departure from school
Thursday 3rd May	Bun Sale for Muscular Dystrophy (to take place at the end of the school day)
Monday 7th May	May Day Holiday—School closed today
Thursday 10th May	Whole School Mass—Feast of the Ascension
Friday 11th May	Good Shepherd Celebration—St. Anne's Cathedral, Leeds
Monday 14th-Friday 18th May	KS2 SATS Week—Y6 pupils—ALL PUPILS MUST BE IN SCHOOL ALL WEEK
Friday 18th May	BKCAT Football Tournament at Holy Family and St. Michael's Primary School
Tuesday 22nd May	Mass for all Y4 children—9.30am in school
Tues 22nd/Wed 23rd May	BKCAT Event—More Than Dance (selected Y6 pupils) - details to follow
Friday 25th May	School closes for half-term break (2 weeks)
Monday 11th June	School re-opens
Wed 20th—Fri 22nd June	Y6 Residential to Robinwood
Friday 29th June	Whole School Mass—Feast of SS. Peter and Paul
Tuesday 3rd July	Bun and Biscuit Sale for St. Catherine's Foodbank and CAP Wakefield
Tuesday 17th July	Whole School Celebration Evening
Thursday 19th July	Leavers Mass
Friday 20th July	School closes for Summer break

### SATS—May 2018

Children in Years 2 and 6 will be completing their SATs during the month of May. It is crucial that they are in school every day this month. Thank you.

### Lenten Fundraising 2018-A HUGE THANK YOU!

Give it up for Lent—Cafod Appeal raised £237.05.

Good Shepherd Appeal (Easter Raffle) raised £507.17



### OFSTED

Our school is now in the window for inspection and when it happens school will be notified the day before the inspection begins. We don't know when this will be.

Parent Voice is a website that can be used by parents to share their views about our school. You can access it at:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/parent-view-results>

*We hope that any worries you have had will have been shared with us previously. It is important for those happy with what we offer your children at St Austin's that you contribute to this web page too. Thank you.*

### Water bottles

New water bottles have been given to all pupils this week. Please ensure that your child brings it home each Friday so that it can be cleaned before use the during the next week. Thank you.

### Attendance

Congratulations to RW who are this week's UFS & KS1 attendance winners with 100%  
In KS2 the winners this week are 3W with an attendance of 94.5%.



### Parish Mass times this weekend are:

#### **St Austin's:**

Saturday at 6.15pm, Sunday at 8.15am, 11am and 6pm

#### **SS Peter & Paul's**

Saturday at 5pm, Sunday at 9am and 10.45am

**For further information please see the newsletters on the parish websites:**

[www.peterpaul.org.uk](http://www.peterpaul.org.uk) and [smartinswakefield.org/index](http://smartinswakefield.org/index).



*Mr K Flood*  
**Headteacher**

*Mr J Molyneux*  
**Deputy Headteacher**