



Dear parents: Hope everyone had a good Easter break. Thoughts to the mainly Catholic Christian people of Sri Lanka who suffered so much on Easter Sunday the holiest day of the year. Seeing film of bombers moving nearer to children was almost too much to bear. Two of our teachers left Sri Lanka on the Saturday and one was there when it happened. Thank God all safe. Life and death !! ... So sad. Loads of news this week so do read on. Anyone interested in becoming a new Parent Governor please contact me at school asap. Your school needs you ! Special best wishes to the parent running the Marathon on Sunday also read below. Really worthy cause. First 26 miles are the hardest! May next week as the year flies by. Cherry blossom time Easter Bonnet Parade just finished lovely start to the day.

School news ... this week

Tuesday St George's Day and Shakespeare's birthday

Wednesday ...Curriculum Newsletters went out.

FridayEaster Bonnet Parade

Measles

My generation and all my children have been vaccinated against this truly horrible illness. It is not minor and can be life changing. Forget all the fake news and please make sure your children are immunised and up to date. Talk to your GP.

Letter from the Bishop

Received a lovely letter following his visit in March. Now on our website under Catholic Life. Make you very proud of our school.

London Marathon 2019

Forget Mo and Haile much better news is Mrs Lindsay Reyes is running on Sunday for Dementia Revolution a cause dear to my heart. My own mother fell victim to it for the last few years of her life and it is heartbreaking. Please sponsor her. She is mum of Alexa Y1 and Milo Y5.

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Reyes5c86ee0b61cfe>

Race number is 15553

School news ... next week

Tuesday Perform Peter Pan workshops Nursery to Year 3 all morning.

Wednesday Feast of St Joseph the Worker our school Feast Day. Mass in church Y2 - Y6 @ 9.00am all welcome.

Thursday ...Magistrate visit to Y6 ..pm.

N.B. Monday May 6th is a Bank Holiday

Governors and Buildings Fund 2019

Continues to be going well.

Total = **£4,580** from 128 families out of 160 families. Up £300 and 3 new families paid. 80% of families responded so far. 4 out of 5 !! This money pays for the upkeep of the school, new doors, new drains, insurance etc. + I have a solution to our funding crisis. Charge VAT on private schools and ring fence the income for maintained schools. Job done and fair too !!!



pics of the week

'Suffer the children to come unto me ' .. Jesus. Easter Sunday Sri Lanka. Plus Fr Magill and a standing ovation from almost everyone in Derry this week. Great photo ...

and finally ... What an amazing inspirational speech this week. That Swedish 16 year old girl ?? err no ...I mean the impassioned speech from Fr Martin Magill at the funeral of young Lyra McKee the murdered journalist in Derry. Standing ovation from almost all the congregation, the picture says a thousand words. a plea for tolerance, peace and unity. I use a Sri Lankan taxi firm and know so many of this lovely people. RIP and love. Urging Liverpool on but City look unbeatable just now but ... + RIP Billy McNeill this week. Celtic legend of my childhood and Lion of Lisbon 1967.