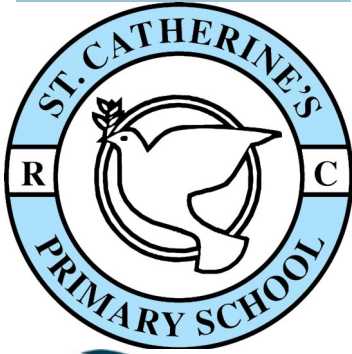


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As always, it was lovely to see so many of you over the past few days at our spring term parents evenings. Thanks to Mrs Baldwin our Chair of Governors for providing Tea and Coffee on Wednesday evening.

Next Friday 2nd March is the deadline for forms to be returned for our wonderful Summer Camp. So far we have had only three forms returned, we need at least 30 to make it viable to run. The Camp has run for the past 25 years and is always a highlight of the year for year 3 & 4, it would be a shame if we were unable to give our children this opportunity in 2018. Forms were sent out before half term after the talk to parents and the children. More information is available on the Summer Camp page of the school website under the parents section.

Please can you check your child's hair as we have had an outbreak of headlice.

We have noticed that some children who arrive late in the mornings are going into school via the Kindergarten side gate. Can all latecomers please use the office entrance. Thank you.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend with your families.

Sarah Sparks

Weekly Mission

This week we can follow Jesus by
praying for one
another.





St Catherine's:

**A family united in God's love,
learning in faith together for a
compassionate tomorrow.**

Feeling Safe Questionnaire

At the end of last half term we surveyed all the children to get their views on life in school. We asked a series of 10 questions and here are their responses in percentages. The areas highlighted in green show an improvement since the last survey taken in December 2016. The areas in white have dipped slightly (by no more than 2%) We use the survey to identify areas for improvement, so our school council will be discussing ways in which we can make changes to ensure all our boys and girls are enjoying their playtime, and know what to do if they feel sad or are hurt in any way.

| | Yes  | No  |
|---|--|---|
| 1. I feel happy in my school. | 90 | 10 |
| 2. I feel safe in school. | 92 | 8 |
| 3. I know what to do if I feel sad. | 87 | 13 |
| 4. I tell the teacher or someone in charge if someone hurts me or makes me sad. | 89 | 11 |
| 5. I like going outside to play. | 86 | 14 |
| 6. I know where to go for help if I am lonely. | 86 | 14 |
| 7. I tell someone at home if someone hurts me or makes me sad at school. | 89 | 11 |
| 8. I try my best at school. | 96 | 4 |
| 9. When we do well in school we are given stickers/rewards in class or by other teachers and adults | 98 | 2 |
| 10. When we are kind or helpful we are mentioned in our Celebration assembly. | 92 | 8 |

NSPCC Sponsored Dance-a-thon



Next week the school will be dancing to raise money for the NSPCC. The children enjoyed the assemblies and workshops before the half term break and for our Lenten fundraising we have chosen the NSPCC. A letter and sponsor forms were sent out earlier in the week, so do check the children's book bags for more details.

Headteacher Awards and House Points

| | | | |
|--------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----|
| Year R | Darren, Pippa | St John Bosco : | 35 |
| Year 1 | Xavier, Joey, Bethany | St Francis de Sales: | 24 |
| Year 2 | Solsun, Misia | St Teresa of Lisieux : | 29 |
| Year 3 | Lucy, Isaac | St Margaret Clitherow : | 34 |
| Year 4 | Sophia, Hannah, Casey, Eva | | |
| Year 5 | Albert, Megan | | |
| Year 6 | Chris, James | | |

Congratulations!



Kindergarten

If you have not done so already, please remember you need to apply for your 30 hours code and /or update your details every three months. For the summer term this needs to be completed by 28th February 2018. The website to do this is childcarechoice.gov.uk

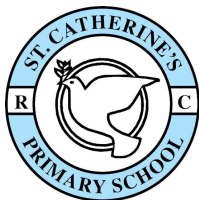
Thank you

Sports Ambassadors

Huge thanks to our amazing sports ambassadors who planned, organised and ran our annual pancake race in the week before half term. Their enthusiasm to get us all moving is inspirational!

Song in a Day

Wow, Monday was an amazing day here in school! Liz Radford from Dorset Music Service came to work with each class and throughout the day the children composed a song and then at 2:45 we all joined together to enjoy Year 6 performing for us. Many thanks to Mrs. Kernick who arranged this curriculum enrichment for our boys and girls.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 26/2/18 Year 4 Tag Rugby
- 2/3/18 World Book Day
- 12/3/18 British Science Week
- Year 2 & 5 visiting Streetwise
- 14/3/18 Planetarium funded by the PA
- 15/3/18 Mr. Gee Science workshops
- 16/3/18 Open Afternoon
- 20 –27/3/18 Book Fair 3pm in the DT Room
- 21/3/18 PA Bags to School
- Phonic, KS1 & KS2 SATs meetings
- 27/3/18 PA Cake Sale
- 29/3/18 1:30pm End of Term
- 30/3/18—15/4/18 Easter Holiday
- 16/4/18 INSET—School Closed
- 17/4/18 Energy Kidz Breakfast & After School Clubs begin

After School Clubs—Spring Term

Monday: Basketball 3 –4:05pm
Children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6



Tuesday: Multi-skills 3.10–4.10pm
Children in Year 1—6

Thursday: Tennis 3 –3:45pm
Children in Years 1 –6



Friday: Street Dance 3-4:15pm
Children in Years 1 –6



Saturday: Fun Football 9:15—10:30am

