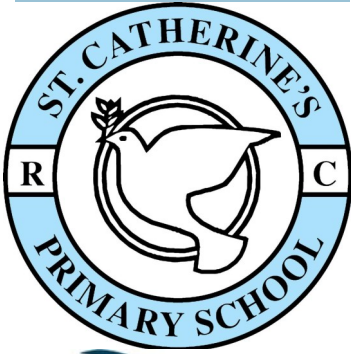


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We were glad to see all the boys and girls back after the snow days last week. We are grateful for your understanding as to why we needed to close due to the adverse weather conditions.

Last week saw Year 4 participating in Tag Rugby training and Year 1 visiting the Priests House Museum. This week has been another busy one, with our NSPCC Dance-a-thon and World Book Day.

Next week we will be welcoming Ms Penzer to our office team from Wednesday. I know you will all give her a warm welcome to our community. I must commend Mrs Heathcock for all her hard work in the office so far this term. She has been extremely busy and has kept the school running smoothly.

*Wishing you a lovely weekend with your families*

*Sarah Sparks*

## Weekly Mission

This week we can follow Jesus' example by  
□standing up for what is right and fair even when it is difficult



**St Catherine's:**

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

# World Book Day

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The children had a great time yesterday reading with their buddies across the school. It is obvious that the children have a great love of reading. There were many discussions about favourite books and authors. Adults took the opportunity to read extracts from their favourite books to the children.

Thank you to everyone who spent their time crafting outfits for the children to wear on World Book Day. The children have been sent home with their £1 book tokens so we encourage you to head off to the shops this weekend and get a new book, which you can read together. Miss Allonby has updated the front page of our website with some photographs, so do take a look.

## Phonics, Key Stage 1 & 2 Information

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You are all invited to attend information sessions regarding the Year 1 Phonic Screening Check which takes place in June and both the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Standards Assessment Tasks (SATs) which are scheduled for May.

There will be three sessions on **Wednesday 28th March: 8:30am 2:30pm & 3:15pm**. If you are unable to attend one of the sessions the information will be posted onto the relevant class page of our website.

## Attendance

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Our school day starts at **8:30am** and ends at **3pm**.

It is important to establish regular and prompt attendance at school. We have noticed an increase in children turning up late to school and they are missing essential elements of their learning, so please get your children here on time every day. Thank you.

We value parents and children's efforts to attend school on time and regularly. Of course it is important that when children are not well that they are properly cared for. Please do let the school know when your child is absent due to sickness or for any other reason.

Children's attendance should reach **at least 96%** in any academic year.

# Headteacher Awards and House Points

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Year R Lola, Joshua  
Year 1 Rico, Aliona, Harry H  
Year 2 Pandora, Jacob  
Year 3 Ramazan, Josslin  
Year 4 Seb, Alfie, Emma,  
Savannah  
Year 5 Xavier, Luca  
Year 6 Izzy, Samuel B

St John Bosco : 50.7  
St Francis de Sales: 61.6  
St Teresa of Lisieux : 56.35  
St Margaret Clitherow: 53.3

**Congratulations!**



## NSPCC Dance-a-thon

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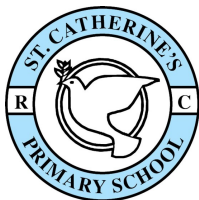
This week the boys and girls danced their socks off throughout their chosen day to raise money for the NSPCC. The children were inspired by the assembly and workshops on 5th February to help raise money for the charity and had fun doing so.

Please send the money in by Friday 16th March and we will arrange for Sharon Kay from the NSPCC to lead a thank you assembly for the children. We will let you know when we have a final total of how much we raised. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

## Parents Association

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Our PA have been hard at work in the background, meeting with companies and ordering resources for the children. Their plans for this year include: Kindergarten fencing & decking, coach expenses for all school trips, Science dome, Sports week, Wet play equipment, Year 1 outside playing apparatus, Picnic benches on the field ready for summer and playground markings for both playgrounds.



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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

12/3/18 British Science Week  
16/3/18 Open Afternoon  
21/3/18 PA Bags to School  
27/3/18 PA Cake Sale  
28/3/18 Phonic, KS1 & KS2 SATs meetings  
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

Generous God, you uplift us with love and mercy every day of our life. This weekend we give you thanks for parents everywhere, who love, cherish and nurture their children.

Amen.

## After School Clubs — Spring Term

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Monday:	Basketball	3 –4:05pm Children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
	Multi Sports	3– 4pm Children in Years 1 - 6
Tuesday:	Multi-skills	3.10–4.10pm Children in Years 1 - 6
Thursday:	Tennis	3 –3:45pm Children in Years 1 - 6
Friday:	Street Dance	3-4:15pm Children in Years 1 - 6