



Dear Parents and Carers,

Unfortunately, Mrs Tomlinson has been admitted to hospital. We know you will join us in wishing her a speedy recovery and will remember her in your prayers. Children have begun making 'Get well' cards for Mrs Tomlinson, which I am sure she will find both comforting and a great incentive to keep her spirits up.

In our inspection of RE and the Catholic life of the school, St Mary's was judged to be an outstanding primary school. You will have received a copy of the report last Friday. We are delighted with this outcome and would like to publicly say a huge thank you to all staff, pupils, members of the Academy Council and parents for their hard work. This outstanding judgement is a testament to our efforts in ensuring that RE, as a core subject at St Mary's, is given the same prominence as English, Maths and Science. The children's behaviour was impeccable, as usual! They are truly a credit to each and every one of you. Well done everyone!

We are now in the third week of Lent and our mission for this week is to try to look for the things that are the same for all of us, rather than the things that are different. We're going to try to do what we can to show that we respect and care for all people and try to live in peace, so that all our brothers and sisters can live free from poverty and hunger.

Sincerely,

Mrs Ashworth



Third Sunday of Lent- Upcoming events this week:

Monday– 9.15 Whole School Collective Worship; 9.55 Woodwind tuition; 11.40 Piano tuition

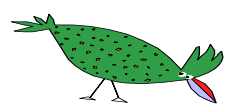
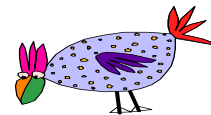
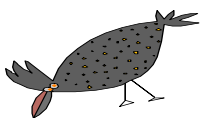
Tuesday– 10.30 Guitar tuition; 1.00 Guitar tuition; Y 4-6

Orienteering at Aspin Primary School 3.45-5.30

Wednesday– Year 4 attending Parish Mass; 1.00 Mini Vinnies meeting; 2.45 Hymn Practice; Tag Rugby Final has been postponed

Thursday– Year 4 swimming; 3.30 Press Club with Mrs Varnes

Friday – 9.15 Celebration Assembly;





Science Week– report by Katherine Jones, Y5

Last week was our Science week. On Friday we split into house groups to do science based activities. These were about understanding why coke explodes when we add mentos, knowing the phases of the moon, finding out what cleans a coin best and trying this out with lemon juice, lemonade, washing up liquid, tomato sauce and oil. We had many more fun activities. We also had a guest speaker to school, Mr Coe, who taught us about the science in making kitkats– we all enjoyed this! Mr Atkinson showed us how power is generated which we found very interesting!

Our school houses- lunch routines

From today, we will be trialling a new routine for lunchtime. We all feel it is important that we raise the profile of our houses (St Matthew, St Mark, St Luke and St John.) and allow the children the opportunity to meet with their fellow house mates. Further, the children will have the opportunity to sit and eat together as a family.

With this in mind, the following will take place:

- 11.45-12.10 Lunch for Reception and Year 1
- 12.10– 12.30 Lunch for all children from Y2-6 in St Matthew and St John's houses
- 12.30-12.50 Lunch for all children from Y2-6 in St Luke and St Mark's houses

N.B Children who have not finished eating in their time slot, will be able to continue to finish off their lunch in the hall and will also still be supervised.

We will monitor the situation closely and know the children will enjoy this new routine. We have future plans for our houses and will of course, keep you informed of the ways in which we are developing each one.



House Cup

Last weeks House Cup
winners were...

St John



