

Barkston Ash Catholic Primary School

'With God's guidance we grow and learn'



Dear Parents and Carers

Throughout Lent, we have had many children in school expressing an interest in raising money for charity as part of our ACT, GIVE and PRAY focus. We are happy to support the children in this and ask that if they would like to sell something/hold a stall to fundraise, they let me know which day after school they would like to have a stall on the playground, where parents are able to support them and they pay the money directly to the charity they have chosen.

This week, Giannluca and friends have raised £64 for Water Aid through the sale of 'stickies'. Well done boys!

Today we have Hannah S and Aila selling their comics after-school for 50p each to raise money for Martin House.

Coming up next week...

Hannah W and Gracie H will be selling 'squishies' after-school on Thursday for a 50p or £1 donation, raising money for the NSPCC.

Thank you for supporting the children's independent fundraising where you are able to.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Vaughan

<u>Virtue</u> Our Virtue for the second part of this half-term is 'Compassion'. "Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you" (Ephesians 4:32). A general definition of compassion is sympathy and concern for the suffering of others and a desire to alleviate such suffering. God is compassionate. He is sympathetic to the suffering of His people. God's compassion is related to His mercy, kindness, patience, grace, forgiveness and love. God's compassion compels Him to take action, and we strive to be like Him, taking action, giving and praying for those in need, especially during Lent.

Weekly Mission To call on the Holy Spirit to help us GIVE, ACT and PRAY during Lent.

<u>Prayer of the Week</u> Angelus (part2): Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hears; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known but the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord.

Amen

<u>Teampoint Winners</u> This week's winners are the **Red** team with an average of **7.4** points! **Class 5** achieved the highest team point total with a super **360** points collected this week! Well done to the Red team and Class 5!

Spring Dates Please see our school website calendar for all dates. www.barkstonash.n-yorks.sch.uk

Dates coming up next week:

Thursday 16th March- Area Schools Orienteering (letters have been sent to those participating)

Friday 17th March- 2.45pm- Celebration Assembly (Class 4 parents and carers invited)

Friday 17th March- Big Lent Walk

Monday 27th March- Pre-Easter lunch

<u>Planned NEU strike</u> Wednesday 15th March is the next planned day of teacher strike action by members of the NEU. Based on current information that we have regarding our school staff, all classes will be open as usual on this date. All children should attend school as usual. Thank you for your support.

<u>Big Lent Walk</u> The Mini Vinnies met on Monday to organise the whole school taking part in the Big Lent Walk to raise funds for CAFOD. Each class will walk 40km in total around the school playground on Friday17th March. Thank you for your sponsorship. Please pay all funds raised on ParentPay before 24th March.

<u>School meals</u> On Monday 27th March, instead of the advertised macaroni cheese, NYES Catering Services are pleased to offer a special pre-Easter menu of chicken, Yorkshire pudding, stuffing, roast potatoes, broccoli and sweetcorn followed by chocolate fudge pudding and chocolate sauce. We are sure this will prove as popular with the children as the special Christmas dinner offered each year. If your child does not usually have a school dinner on Monday of Week 3, but would like to have this pre-Easter meal, please let the office know by Wednesday 15th March.

As we approach the end of the financial year please may we ask you to check your ParentPay account and to clear anything outstanding on your child's school meal account. Thank you.

Helping Hands The Helping Hand Team are super excited to share with you the next event we have planned. On 28th April during the school day, all the children can enjoy a falconry display, where there will be a number of birds of prey for the children to learn about as well as a flying demonstration.

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We'd also like to thank you for your support at Movie Night - the children really enjoyed the movies and we raised nearly £400! Thanks to our parent helpers, to Mr Hudson (Technical Wizz!), Mr Tuck and Mrs Vaughan for all their support on the night, and not forgetting Ms West for canvassing opinion for which films to watch.

Many thanks,

The Helping Hands Team

Newsletters, Wednesday Word, curriculum letters, other letters and forms are available on the school website.





Let's Celebrate!

In **Class 1**, we have been listening to the story of Zacchaeus and learning about forgiveness.

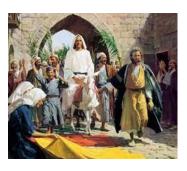
In **Class 2** this week, Year 1's began measuring objects around the class-room using cubes as their unit of measurement.





In Class 3 this week, we have been writing character descriptions linked to our theme of mystery. We wrote descriptions of the Iron Man and the opening chapter and then this week, we have watched a video called 'Road's End' and described a particularly mysterious character...

In **Class 4** we are completing our British menu design project with a vegetarian shepherds' pie. Everyone in C4 contributed towards deigning and making it with the help of Mrs Ward and our kitchen staff.



In Class 5, in RE this week we recreated the Triumphal Entry, with the aid of a large toy donkey, some paper palm leaves, and the doorway to Class 5 as the gate into the city of Jerusalem. Then, we wrote newspaper articles reporting on this amazing event and speculating on who Jesus is.

@Thank you to Georgie and Izzy L for presenting our Celebration Assembly this week! @

A huge well done to this week's award winners...

Class 1 Superstar: Taicia Class 5 Superstar: Oliver

Class 2 Superstar: George C Headteacher award: Eden

Class 3 Superstar: Peggy Lunchtime award: Josh

Class 4 Superstar: George S

Times Table
Champions coming soon...

Keep practising your Times Table skills on TTRS!

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