



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD

Holy Week

A huge thank you to the pupils and staff, for leading our daily whole school Liturgy & Prayer this week. The children have led us all with such reverence and thoughtfulness.

Today Thursday, is Maundy Thursday and we focus on Jesus, the Servant King, who teaches us now, as He did then, with the first disciples, the importance of loving actions as an expression of our love and belief in God. This Friday is Good Friday when we focus on the final hours of Our Lord's Passion and Crucifixion. I am grateful to all the staff for their support to help the children participate, lead, and understand the significance of this holy season.

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever.... Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him' Jn 14:15-21. We can take comfort that the Holy Spirit dwells here among us and within us, to help us live as true friends of God. May every blessing be upon you, your family and those, whom you love, at this holy time.

Church Information:

Please see the arrangements below for preparation of First Holy Communion (for those children who have already been baptised and received the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession); and again if you think you will be away for the **First Holy Communion Mass, on Sunday, 2nd of June, on the Feast of Corpus Christi, celebrating the Sacrament of the Body & Blood of Jesus**, then speak directly to Fr Jones to make sure that your child can attend the classes for preparation and then agree another date for them to receive this for the first time. Thank you!

Sacramental Preparation Information

First Holy Communion Preparation course details for those preparing for their First Holy Communion. Father Jones has put the following details in the Parish Newsletter.

Session 1 – Friday 19 April at 4.15pm at St Matthew's School

Session 2 – Friday 26 April at 4.15pm at St. William's School.

Session 3 – Friday 3 May at 4.15pm at St. William's Church Hall

Session 4 – Friday 17 May at 4.15pm at St. William's Church Hall

Session 5 – Friday 24 May at 4.15pm at St. William's Church Hall

Session 6 – Saturday 1 June at 10am in St. William's Church to practice for the Holy Communion

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Well done to **Alan, Hadassah, Danielle, Mia, Win, Emilia, Cassidy, Sofia and Nicola** for receiving the Sacrament of Confession with Father Jones last Friday in the school chapel.

Holy Week Liturgies –

Thank you to those parents who could make the class liturgies.

Palm Sunday on Monday was led by **Ash and Oak Classes**



Last Supper & Arrest on Tuesday was led by **Beech Class**



The Passion of Christ (1) on Wednesday was led by **Lime Class**



The Passion of Christ (2) on Thursday was led by **Holly Class**



Whole School Mass – at St. William’s Church on Tuesday

A wonderful whole school Mass of thanksgiving to the service of Mrs Buttery as she prepares for her retirement this week, the children read beautifully, it was wonderful to have a range of children and adults across the school lead the Mass



Fundraising for Catholic Care/Cafod

As part of Lenten Almsgiving, we raised funds for Catholic Care; an organisation dedicated to working with the most vulnerable members of the community and families in need and CAFOD who help those victims of war. Each child participated in their own class events. Thank you for your donations we will share the amount raised in our next Newsletter.

Well done, to all those who won an Easter Egg in the raffle.

Connor was the winner of Guess the number of cubes in the Jar. Congratulations!



A huge well done to Isla-Grace for winning Holly Class’ Lenten fundraising activity, guess the name of the rabbit. Thank you to everyone for your guesses and for raising money and putting our faith into action!



Well done to the winners of the Easter egg treasure hunt!



Beech Class

Beech Class trading items for something of the same mass in their Ancient Egyptian swap shop.



Holly Class

Holly class analysing line graphs and plotting data accordingly in Maths.



Homework Projects

There have been some truly remarkable projects completed this half term, **WELL DONE** everyone!



Oak – Were asked to design their own spring garden, with plants, trees, or animals, it could be painted, drawn or in 3D.



Beech – The children were asked to research and make a model of a pyramid or sarcophagus linking to their history topic on Ancient Egypt.



Lime – Were asked to Research Ancient Greece. They could make a Spartan Helmet, turn a myth into a cartoon, make an A to Z of Greece or research Greek Temples.



Holly – Holly Class were asked to create a model of a Mayan Ruin or create a historical fact-file all about Mayan Civilisation.

Year 6 SATs

Thank you to those Parents who attended the meeting, with Mr Clayton, on **Tuesday, 26 March**, to discuss KS2 Assessments (SATs) for 2024. Please see Mr Clayton's notes on Holly Class Dojo page, if you missed this meeting.

If you're looking to support your child further with maths at home, there are lots of good websites with free Year 6 revision resources. Start with thirdspacelearning.com/blog/category/for-parents/ or register free for the Third Space Learning Maths Hub mathshub.thirdspacelearning.com



British Summer time begins....



Keeping Children Safe

Contact details for parents/carers.

Please make sure that **if you change your phone number you inform school staff**. Following safeguarding recommendations, **we need at least 2 accurate contact details in the event of an emergency**; accidents do happen and there are times when we are not able to contact a parent because they have not kept us informed. Thank you.

Attendance and punctuality are a huge part of keeping children safe and it is the law for schools to know why and where children are if they are not in school: schools must report children absent from school,

including parts of the day, not just absent days. As a result, systems for attendance are robust and all parents have a responsibility to inform school of their child's absence – make sure you TELEPHONE Mrs Gadd 1st thing in the morning if your child is absent. Home visits are part of our Attendance procedures to check and do not be alarmed if safeguarding staff appear at your door. As a parent you are committing an offence if you

fail to make sure that your child attends regularly. The details of parents with children who have unauthorised absence (including those who have taken unauthorised leave during term time) will be passed to Bradford Council, who could consider issuing a Penalty Notice or starting legal action. When a child meets Educational Neglect threshold then a referral to Children’s Social Care can be made.

Please also be aware that parents should never collect their child during the school day because of childcare issues or for the child to attend appointments that are for a parent or sibling. As part of attendance procedures, we must record children missing during the school day.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

Arriving on time is an essential life skill and for safeguarding reasons we must lock the school gates at 8:55am – if you are arriving at that time you will have to go to the main entrance. Equally, as a school we respect parents need children to be ready for home-time at 3:15pm to collect family members from other schools or colleges; we aim to be ready to hand the children to you at that time at the end of the day and not delay you.

Did you know....		
If in a school year, a child is late every day by....	A child would have lost approximately....	or they would have missed approximately....
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Late pick-up charges

There is a late collection charge £1, per child, for every 5 mins you are late; sadly, some parents have been persistently late and without good reason; taking the view that it is okay for school staff to take responsibility for children after the school day. Unfortunately, we do not offer childcare after 3:15pm and many staff finish at the same time the pupils leave. Congested traffic, in town shopping, a late taxi, forgetting the time, having a hair colour on at the hairdressers **are not acceptable reasons to be late for your child.** We are understanding, if there are exceptional reasons and it is not usual for you to be late and we appreciate a phone call from you if you are going to be late, it re-assures the child as well. After school teaching staff have meetings, work to do following the school day and in preparation for the next day.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

Have you logged on to the National Online Safety website to help protect your child online?

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com>

Parents, PLEASE monitor what child(ren) use(s) and who they have contact with online; to ensure we keep children safe and protected when they are using the internet.

Check out the tips and advice for parents to keep yourself in the know! Here are some useful websites for further information to keep children safe online:

<https://www.onlinesafetyuk.com>

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk>



More useful websites:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk> ,

<https://childnet.com>,

<https://www.internetmatters.org>

Congratulations...Bravo...Well done!!!



100% Attendance 02/09/23 – 28/03/24.

Doretta, Anhian, Dexter, Marcella, Jethro, Abubakar, Nina, Gerald, Elizabeth, Victoria, Ethan, Isabella, Alex, Danielle, Hadassah, Sofia, Arzo, David, Delvin, Ife, Sahil, Win, Amaya.

100% Attendance during Spring Term 2 19/02/24 – 28/03/24.

Anthony, Semilore, Nahom, Ewa, McKenna, Kiyam, David, Michael, Amelia, Tymon, Korneliusz, Mia, Julian, Phoebe, Amaan, Iyaan, Pola, Ethan, Miracle, Jason, Jibrael, Muhammad, Peace, Zoe, Anna, Oracle, Jeremiah, Emmanuel, William, Dennis, Daniel, Claire, Oskar, Pawel, Joel, Jeffery, Konrad, Ralfs, Jeriel, Kathrine, Oliver, Vivienne, Alan, Bella, Shalom, Esther, Ethan, Enoch, Faith, Hashim, Cassidy, Sofia, Kayla, Keyaan, Vania, Fredrick, Emilia, Nicola.

Homework Project Certificates this week:

The following children have completed their homework project – well done and keep up the good work!

Lochlan, Ethan, Victoria, Jason, Gerald, Pola, Abubakar, Jethro, Amaan, Muhammad, Abdul, Marcella, Nina, Fariya, Jibrael, Ethan, Mario, Kacper, Rumaisah, Anna, Oskar, Isabella, Claire, Dennis, Oracle, Peace, Jeremiah, Monika, Isla-Grace, William, Kenny, Taiwo, Hakeem, Hadassah, Danish, Alan, Danielle, Ralfs, Mia, Bella, Vivienne, Kathrine, Konrad, Jeriel, Sofia, Sebastian, Eesah, Darina, Oliver, Jeffery, Emilia, Ayra, Nicola, Sahil, Delvin, Esther, Shalom, Megan, Vania, Kayla, Faith, Oliwia, Ife, Win, Enoch, Hashim, Ethan, Sofia Ranaya, Cassidy.



Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you,
happy birthday dear

**Semilore, Miracle, Kacper, Rumaisah, Ethan, Hashim,
Sebastian and Grayson**

Happy birthday to you!
Hope you have a special day.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club
From 8am
MONDAY – FRIDAY
50p per day

Great opportunity for your child(ren) to socialise with their friends before school.

Breakfast Club opens every day at 8am, 50p per child per day. A lovely way to start the day! Please arrive before 8.30am - **book in advance every Friday for a place the following week via a dojo message to Mrs Gadd, Mrs Fagan, or Miss Parker!**

Dates for your diary:

09/04	School re-opens on Tuesday 9 April
19/04	Sacramental Preparation Course Session 1 – Friday 19 April at 4.15pm at St Matthew’s School
26/04	Sacramental Preparation Course Session 2 – Friday 26 April at 4.15pm at St. William’s School.
03/05	Sacramental Preparation Course Session 3 – Friday 3 May at 4.15pm at St. William’s Church Hall
17/05	Sacramental Preparation Course Session 4 – Friday 17 May at 4.15pm at St. William’s Church Hall
24/05	Sacramental Preparation Course Session 5 – Friday 24 May at 4.15pm at St. William’s Church Hall

01/06	Sacramental Preparation Course Session 6 – Saturday 1 June at 10am in St. William’s Church to practice for the Holy Communion
02/06	All those preparing to receive their First Holy Communion will do so at the 11am Solemn Mass in St Williams’s Church on Sunday 2 June which is the solemnity of The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Corpus Christi.

P.E. Kits / Lessons

Please keep P.E. kits in school during term time, they will be sent home at the end of each term for washing.



Ash Class Monday’s,
Oak Class Friday’s
Beech Class Wednesday’s
Lime Class Friday Swimming
Holly Class Friday’s

Lunch Menu – Week Commencing 08/04/24.

St William’s Catholic Primary School

W/C
8th Apr, 29th Apr,
20th May, 10th June,
1st July, 22nd July

WEEK 1

MENU

For full allergen & nutritional information head to <https://schoolmeals.bratford.gov.uk>

MON

Choose from...

- Mild Chicken Curry
- Vegetarian Chili & Noodles
- Assorted Sandwiches
- Jacket Potato with Cheese & Tuna

Choose from...

- Crusty Bread
- Seasonal Vegetables, Assorted Individual Salads
- Desserts...**
- Chocolate Mousse
- Freshly Prepared Fruit

TUE

Choose from...

- Braised Sausage
- Meat Cottage Pie
- Soy Mince Cottage Pie
- Assorted Sandwiches

Choose from...

- New Potatoes
- Seasonal Vegetables, Assorted Individual Salads
- Desserts...**
- Lemon Shortcake
- Freshly Prepared Fruit

WED

Choose from...

- Beast of the Day
- Meat Based Chicken Breast
- Savoury Roll
- Assorted Sandwiches
- Cheddar & Mascarpone Hot Squash

Choose from...

- Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding
- Seasonal Vegetables, Assorted Individual Salads
- Desserts...**
- Cornflake Tart
- Freshly Prepared Fruit

THUR

Choose from...

- Cheese & Tomato Pizza
- Loaded Vegetable Pizza
- Assorted Sandwiches
- Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans

Choose from...

- Chips
- Baked Beans, Assorted Individual Salads
- Desserts...**
- Chocolate Sponge
- Freshly Prepared Fruit

FRI

Choose from...

- Fish Fingers
- Salmon Fillets
- Veg Dippers
- Assorted Sandwiches

Choose from...

- Jacket Potato Wedges
- Sweetcorn, Assorted Individual Salads
- Desserts...**
- Oat Cookies
- Freshly Prepared Fruit

Suitable for...

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Key						
Bank Holiday	Occasional Day	Training Day	Statutory			

Have a lovely weekend,
 See you all on
Tuesday 9 April 2024
 at 8.45am.



Remember, it's COOL to be in SCHOOL!