



St. Anthony's Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,
Whilst this may be our shortest half term of the year, it has definitely been a very, very busy one! It has also been really lovely to see the small glimpses of Spring lately and I am very hopefully that the blue skies and warmer days will be waiting for us when we return to school after the Easter break on **Monday 13th April.**

BIG LENT WALK



Last Friday we went for a rather blustery walk around the block for CAFODs Big Lent Walk. CAFOD support people all around the world to help raise them out of poverty, to support those affected by conflict and to help communities affected by climate change. All of the children thoroughly enjoyed the walk and had made some wonderful banners, hats and posters that they took with them so that everyone in our local community could see our faith in action. Thank you so much to all of the parents who walked with us, it was lovely to see you all. **Please could all sponsor money be brought into school by Friday 17th April.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Wednesday morning this week we gathered together as a school community to walk the way of the

cross. The children from Key Stage 2 lead the service with readings from the gospels to tell the story of Jesus' journey from condemnation to crucifixion. The children also beautifully illustrated the story by performing tableaux of each of the stations of the cross. It was lovely to spend time together in prayer and reflection.



CONFIRMATION

On Wednesday evening 11 of our Year 6 pupils received the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Peter's Church. Bishop Richard Walker led the Mass and he was very impressed with all of the children and their mature attitudes. Bishop Walker had made a visit to school on Tuesday to talk to the children about confirmation and he was very impressed with their knowledge and understanding of the sacrament. Thank you to all of the Year 6 families who were in church on Wednesday night to support the children. It was a beautiful Mass and it was lovely to see the children surrounded by their family and god parents as they began the next stage of their journey of faith.



YEAR OF READING

As we continue to move through the year of reading we are looking at different ways that we champion reading and a love of books in school. One of the ways we are doing this is remodelling our school library. Part of this process has involved a stock take and we have needed to take out some books to make room for news ones. While some books that have left the library are sadly looking a bit worse for wear, there



was an abundance of books that were still in really good condition. Today all of the children have had a lovely time in the hall choosing a couple of books to take home to keep, share and enjoy.

ACADEMISATION

CONSULTATION

The consultation period for the proposed academisation ended on Tuesday. A copy of the consultation report can be found on our school website: <https://www.stanthonyscatholic.com/academisation>
Thank you to everyone who contributed.

MASS TIMES OVER EASTER

As we move into Holy Week next week here are the key Mass and service times for the churches in our parish:

Sunday 28th March (Palm Sunday)

9.15am Mass with blessings of Palms and Procession– Our Lady's Cublington

11.15am Mass with blessings of Palms and Procession– St. Peter's

Holy Thursday 2nd April

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper and Watch before the Blessed Sacrament at Our Lady's

Good Friday 3rd April

10am morning prayer at Our Lady's

12pm Family Stations of the Cross at Our Lady's

3pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at St Peter's

6pm Stations of the cross at St Peter's

Holy Saturday 4th April

10am readings and morning prayer at Our Lady's

8pm The Easter Fire, vigil and first Mass of Easter at St Peter's

Easter Sunday

9.15am Mass at Our Lady's

11.15am Mass at St Peter's

Have a wonderful Easter Break from Mrs Edwards and everyone at St. Anthony's