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## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD

### Ash Wednesday

We enjoyed a thoughtful Ash Wednesday Mass for Key Stage 2, in St. William's Church, to mark the beginning of Lent. Our school parish was proud to show our love for God by receiving the ashes.



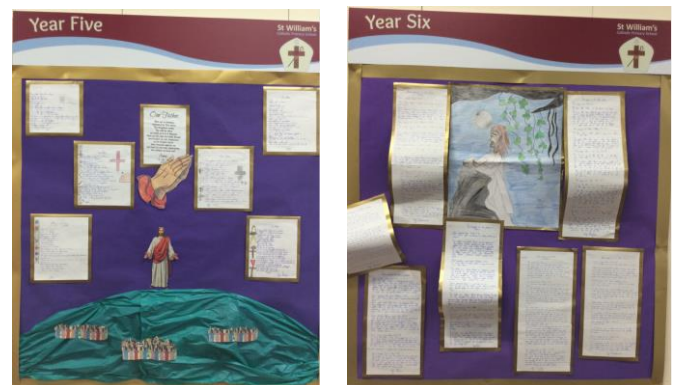
Our 'Faith in Action' Leaders led a beautiful Ash Wednesday service for pupils in Ash and Oak Classes.

A huge thank you to Fr. Michael and Mrs Teal for helping us all make a prayerful start to this special, Liturgical Season!



### Our Amazing Lenten Hall Displays

Once again, the pupils' work and the adults' commitment to show case the children's achievements, to create the best possible effect, is truly outstanding! I am very proud of the effort and high standard of work displayed in our hall. Well done to all our pupils and staff for their excellent efforts!



### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

'You must not put the Lord your God to the test' Lk 4:7



Every day we have to make choices. Sometimes it is easy to make the right choice, but other times we find ourselves being tempted to do what we might later regret. Lent is a good time to take a look at our lives and like a good gardener to 'remove weeds' that strangle new growth and spoil the plants & flowers; and

so, allowing us to clear out all the things that come between us and God's love, for example selfishness, greed, jealousy, dishonesty etc. In Luke's Gospel (4:1-13) the Holy Spirit leads Jesus into the desert to prepare for His mission to reveal God's love to the world. Jesus wanted to focus all His energy and attention to God's will for the world, to draw strength from His love and to spend time alone with His Heavenly Father.

The devil wanted to disturb Jesus' peace & Satan, tried to make Jesus use His power for selfish reasons and to put God's love to the test. Strengthened by the Holy Spirit, Jesus was faithful and obedient to His Father and used the words of Scripture to convince the devil to go away and leave Him. This teaches us that Jesus is very close to us when we suffer temptation and He has suffered the same feelings of uncertainty and doubt, yet God's Spirit is ready to give us strength when we need to overcome weakness.

**Loving Father,**

**Open our hearts to hear and understand Your Word,  
And help us always to do Your Holy will.**

**Amen.**

### **Catholic Care – Good Shepherd Appeal**

The Mini Vinnies and Faith in Action Group spoke to their classes to discuss how pupils will lead our **Lenten Fundraising events**, read their wonderful ideas in the Calendar of Events below:

**W/C 7/03/22 Holly Class – Family Quiz & Penalty Shoot Out**

**W/C 14/03/22 Lime Class - Guess the name of the Easter Bunny & Obstacle course**

**W/C 21/03/22 Beech Class – Treasure Map – Find the Easter Egg!**

**W/C 21/03/22 Oak Class – Chocolate Crispy Bun Sale**

**W/C 04/04/22 Ash Class – Decorate biscuits for sale & a Dance off (Miss Butterfield & Mrs Lyle will be performing their best 'Strictly Dancing' moves!!!)**

**W/C 04/04/22 A Whole School Easter Egg Raffle.**

They have also decided on some whole school events too; there will be a sponsored walk and each class will collect spare change, filling an outline of a sheep for The Good Shepherd Appeal.

### **Swimming Certificates – Holly Class**

Pupils in Holly Class are very proud of their swimming achievements. Thank you, Mrs Welsh for helping our children flourish! Lime Class are

enjoying swimming lessons on Friday mornings now!



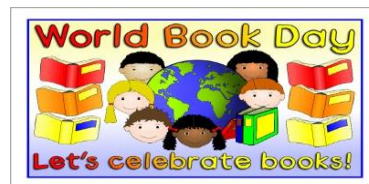
### **Walk to School**

A huge thank you to Dom from Living Streets for coming to our launch assembly Monday. We are feeling very inspired and ready to have an active journey to school!



Here is a pupil in Ash Class tracking their travel to school every day! They are all enjoying working to achieve the weekly award! Take the opportunity to walk (even part of the way to school!) at least one day a week!

### **World Book Day on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March**



Pupils dressed as a character from their favourite book yesterday. The children looked amazing, here are just a few of the costumes. Well done, to those who won book prizes! A HUGE thank you to Mrs. Buttery for leading us all in such an enjoyable day and also, Morrisons Supermarket for donating some of the book prizes.

**We all love reading at St. William's School!**





## Playground Zones

Our playground zones are officially open! Children can choose between a range of different activities to be physically active.



## Tattoos

Parents, you may think temporary tattoos are harmless for children. But children who decorate themselves with transfer tattoos are likely to disrupt the skin's natural protective barrier.

More moisture was lost in skin with transfer tattoos compared to non-tattooed skin, which can damage the epidermis, the skin's thin protective barrier.

**Please do not send your child to school with temporary transfer tattoos, thank you.**

## Keeping children safe online



### Free Online Safety Guide

#### What parents need to know about NFTs

You may recall from last year that Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey sold the first ever tweet for \$2.9 million. Three months later, someone paid \$4 million for a version of the popular 'Doge' meme. How, though, does anyone sell a tweet or a meme? Given that they were freely available on the internet in the first place, why were they so expensive? Welcome to the complex world of NFTs.

This developing marketplace might be easily dismissed as a fad right now – but it's gaining traction at such a rate that it will probably be an entirely standard practice by the time the current generation of children are adults. In this week's #WakeUpWednesday guide, we bring parents and carers the basics – and, of course, the common risks – of non-fungible tokens (NFTs)

Read on to access your free guide and catch up on the latest online safety news ...



### Free Online Safety Guide

#### What parents need to know about WhatsApp

Founded in the US by two former Yahoo employees, WhatsApp was already extremely popular when it was bought by Facebook in 2014, sending its usage figures stratospheric. Now, more than 50% of the two youngest generations (Millennials and Generation Z) use WhatsApp every day – including many who are well below the app's specified age threshold.

Wherever there is a young and dedicated user-base, of course, the threat of grooming is a sinister, ever-present spectre. Indeed, some aspects of WhatsApp which are designed to be helpful or increase privacy – such as disappearing messages and live location services – actually exacerbate the risks. Check out today's #WakeUpWednesday guide for all the details.

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Here are some useful websites for further information: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk> , <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk> , <https://childnet.com> , <https://www.internetmatters.org>



Bradford City Football Club have match day tickets at an exclusive price of £2.50 per ticket for the following matches

**Bradford City vs Port Vale**  
**Saturday 19 March 2022 3.00pm Kick Off**

**Bradford City vs Newport County**  
**Saturday 26 March 2022 3.00pm Kick Off**

If you would like to attend, please see Mrs Gadd at the school office before **3.15pm Friday 11 March for Port Vale** and **Friday 18 March for Newport County** and confirm how many tickets are required along with your full payment in cash. Thank you.

**(To confirm our orders, a minimum of 10 ticket purchases are required per game)**

### Winter Weather & School Closure

We have a text messaging system in school as well as Class Dojo which we use to contact you with any important messages. This will include any school closures due to bad weather conditions. You can also hear the school closures on Pulse Radio or by visiting Bradford Schools Online (emergency school closures). Always assume we are open unless you receive a text or class dojo message saying the school is closed.

### Warning: No Holidays in Term Time

Please book holidays for when school is closed. We do not authorise any holidays in term time **and fines will be issued for taking your child/children out of school during term time.** Please be mindful of the travel restrictions in place and the need to self-isolate after visiting certain countries.

### Attendance & Punctuality

**Give your child the best start in life – every school day counts!**

**This week's Trophy Winners!**

Class	%	Number of Lates per class	Time lost through lateness	Number of pupils on time
Ash	89.7%	4	1hr 25mins	25
Oak	96.3%	2	30mins	26
Beech	96.3%	4	1hr 53mins	23
Lime	95.7%	1	5mins	20
Holly	91.7%	2	25mins	27

**93.8% Overall school attendance**

**92.6% Overall school attendance to date**

**Breakfast Club opens every day at 8am,  
50p per child per day.  
A lovely way to start the day!  
Please arrive before 8.30am.**

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



### Class teachers' Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners:  
**Fariya, Iyaan, Ramina, Amelia, Sofia, Jozsef, Brendon, Ahmad, Colin and Davie**

### Hot Chocolate Friday:

**Pola, Enoch, Moyin, Hakeem, Zion, Suzanna, Klaudia, Hashim, Nina and Shanel**

### Virtue Certificates this week:

**Brodie – Love, Rumaisah – Love, Danish – Forgiveness, Emilia – Love and Tiana-Marie – Love.**

### Golden Table Monday:

**Victoria, Ralfs, Romana, Julie and Eleanor**

### 'Golden Mention to our lunchtime stars'

**Abubakar, Connor, Moyin, Vivienne, Elise, Jakub, Ayra, Emilia, Filip and Samica.**

### Dates for your diary:

W/C 07/03/22	Holly Class Lenten Fundraising Family Quiz and Penalty Shootout
W/C 14/03/22	Lime Class Lenten Fundraising



	Guess the name of the Easter Bunny & Obstacle Course
<b>W/C 21.03.22</b>	<b>Oak Class Lenten Fundraising</b> Chocolate Crispy Bun Sale
<b>W/C 21.03.22</b>	<b>Beech Class Lenten Fundraising</b> Treasure Map – Find the Easter Egg!
<b>24.03.22</b>	<b>Lime Class Mass at St. William's Church</b>
<b>29.03.22</b>	<b>Ash &amp; Oak Classes 'I am sorry' - Lenten Reflection with Fr Michael</b> <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation for KS2 pupils</b>
<b>W/C 04.04.22</b>	<b>Ash Class Lenten Fund Raising</b> Decorate biscuits for sale and a Dance off
<b>04/04/22</b>	<b>Homework Projects to be handed in this week</b>
<b>W/C 04/04/22</b>	<b>Easter Egg Raffle Tickets go on sale</b>
<b>13/04/22</b>	<b>School Closes for Easter and re-opens 25 April 2022</b>

### P.E. Lessons

Ash Class – Monday's

Oak Class – Monday's and Thursday's

Beech Class – Tuesday's and Thursday's

Lime Class – Friday's Swimming

Holly Class – Friday's

### After School Clubs

#### Monday

**Computing Club 12.20pm – 12.55 in Holly**  
**Music Club – 3.15 – 4.00pm in Oak**  
**Arts & Craft Club – 3.15 – 4.15pm in Pine**

#### Tuesday

**Minecraft Club – 3.15 – 4.00pm in Lime**

#### Thursday

**Board Games 3.15pm – 4.00pm in Holly**  
**Homework Club 12.25pm – 12.55pm in Lime**

#### Friday

**Choir Club 12.25pm – 12.55pm in the Hall**



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

**Sofia & Ingrid**

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

### Sacramental Preparation details

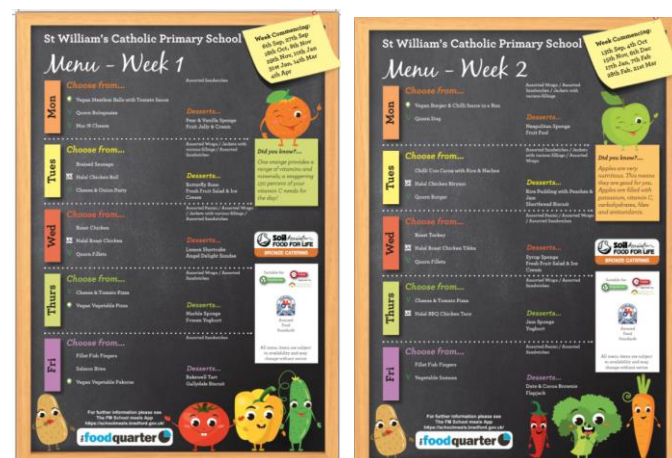
**Applications must be returned to school by Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022 and programmes begin on 12<sup>th</sup> March.**

Pupils in Y3 - Reconciliation

**Pupils in Y4 - 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion (for those who have already completed the Reconciliation programme)**

**Pupils in Y6 (+10yrs) – Confirmation (for those who have completed Reconciliation & 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion programmes)**

### School Lunch Menus



**Have a lovely weekend and see you all Monday 7 March 2022, at 8.45am**



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