



# School Newsletter

## Newsletter 10

Spring Term 2017

Thursday 23 March 2017

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*In everything we do today, we're following Jesus and his way*

**Merits...** Each week, teachers nominate children in their class to receive a special merit. This could be in recognition for working hard, achieving something particular, being a good friend, or any number of reasons that show that they are living up to the school motto - 'In everything we do today, we are following Jesus and his way.' The following children have been chosen by their teachers to receive special merits this week in assembly (*CM = class merit*) **RK** - Dylan, Leo, Neo **RP** - Megan, Tilly **RW** - Elizabeth, Luca **1M** - Jack, Kiernan **INS** - Lily, Freddie **1S** - Jessica, Ava **2D** - Abigail, Debora **2G** - CM, James, Conor **2OT** - Ruby-Blu, Zahra **3K** - Lottie, Demi **3MA** - Matthew, Dervla **3MU** - Aiden, Ola **4C** - Kairo, Frederick **4K** - CM, Sophia **4W** - Lily-May, Harvey **5A** - Finley, Lillia **5K** - Liam, Anae **5F** - CM, Jackson, James, Glyn **5OS** - CM, Tommy, Caitlin **6A** - Jack, Declan **6R** - Olivia, Frankie **6S** - Erik, Luisa **Music merits:** Adam, Thomas, Kacper (6S)...*well done everybody!*

### Going for a Song

We look forward to welcoming year 1 parents for the Songsack performance on Monday and the year 4 Enfield Sings performance on Wednesday. The children have been working really hard in additional music lessons to prepare for these concerts and I have to say, they are sounding very good.

I would like to remind parents that there is a strict 'no photographs or video' policy at performances. I really hope that you enjoy the singing talents on display.

### Term Dates

I would like to advise parents that the school term dates for the academic year 2017/ 2018, including teacher training days, have now been approved and are available on the school website. Follow the links for 'parents information > term dates' and the new dates can be downloaded.

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### Next Week in School

#### Friday 24 March

Mass in the school hall at 8.25am (6R)  
Year 6 netball tournament

#### Monday 27 March

Year 1 Songsack performance 2.45pm

#### Wednesday 29 March

Year 6 Cake Sale 3.30pm  
Year 4 Enfield Sings concert 7pm

#### Thursday 30 March

Final 'Love in Action' assembly

#### Friday 31 March

Mass in the school hall at 8.25am (5K)  
School closes at 2pm

### Contacts

Please take a moment to review your contact details and ensure that school has all your up to date information, including work numbers. It is essential that we know who we can reach at short notice at all times during the school day.

Don't forget that school closes at 2pm on **Friday 31 March** for the Easter break and reopens on Tuesday 18 April.

### Caritas

Next week we come to our final 'Love in Action' assembly and we welcome our two visitors from Caritas to lead it. Over the past few weeks, the assembly themes have included 'Dignity', 'Care for Creation', 'Community and Participation' and 'Option for the Poor'. We have really enjoyed delivering these assemblies and look forward to our visitors rounding things off for us next week.

*Congratulations to the girls from year 5 who organised their cake sale on Sunday at church and raised an amazing £250 - brilliant work!*

### Parish St George's Day Celebration

Last year, a group of PTA parents organised the St George's Day celebrations success but are unable to repeat it this year. Fr Witon would like some parents to organise the parish celebrations after 12 o'clock Mass on St. George's Day this year. The PTA did a fantastic job last year organising a bring and share buffet and an art competition where the children had to design a shield. There are some volunteers already, but a parent or a group of parents are needed to take the lead and overall responsibility. The PTA reps are very happy to talk it through and explain how everything worked last year.

*"The Christian is not one who speaks about the poor, no! He is one who encounters them, who looks them in the eye, who touches them." (St Francis of Assisi)*





## Year 6 gunpowder mills

*Last Friday, year 6 visited the Royal Gunpowder Mills for an educational visit consisting of fun activities, new learning and engaging workshops. I'm sure it is a day they will all remember.*

Eagerly, we arrived at our destination. A lady came up to us and told us that we were going back to the 1940's to learn about World War 2. Whispering, she said we were figuring out who the spy was.

We met an ARP lady who told us interesting facts about gas masks but was acting very peculiar when answering questions. Could she be the spy?

Mrs Jones told us about the only things you could play with in World War 2 - you just had to be adventurous. She covered her ID card name when showing us - could she be the spy?

Next we had an RAF lady who was strict and determined. We did an activity where you had to match the picture of planes to the name. Tiredly, she made us do marching exercises. But when we were asking questions she was very hesitant. Could she be the spy?

At last we met the evacuee who seemed like a sweet lady. She made us do an activity where we were given a card with our evacuee name and had to write to our mum and dad. But when she was talking about how animals were in danger because of the bombs, she said the word 'squirrel' very weird. Could she be the spy?

Soon, we were all finished our activity and the suddenly revealed that...

*I'm writing no more about the identity of the spy in case year 5 read this and remember the character for next year! Thank you, Jessica, for your skilful report of year 6's visit. She ends by saying...*

In the end it was a splendid day for all of us.

*Jessica (6S)*

## Egg Raffle

We have an enormous Easter Egg that has been donated to us by the Rotary Club of Edmonton. To be in with a chance of getting this egg for your post-Lenten treat, the PTA would like families to put £1 in an envelope, write their family name and class on the front and send it in to their class teacher and a winner will be drawn 'from a hat.' All proceeds will go to PTA funds.



*Our magnificent Easter Egg - deadline for entries is **Wednesday 29 March***