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### Upcoming events

(for regular events, see weekly clubs section at bottom of page)

#### **Monday 26th February**

Fundraise & Recycle Double Rewards Week

#### **Wednesday 28th February**

Y5 Mass in church 10.00am

#### **Thursday 29th February**

Reception class 'Celebration of the Word' in school 9.15am

School council cake sale 10.00am

Groundworks session with Y4 pm

#### **Friday 1st March**

Final Kindness Challenge Day

Nursery Stay & Play 10.45am

Lost property outside school office 3.00pm

#### **Monday 4th March**

Girls' football competition all day at Washington Hub all day

Y4 Music Festival rehearsal pm

Lego Club 3.15-4.15pm **CANCELLED**

Parents' Evening 3.30-6.00pm

#### **Tuesday 5th March**

Y4 Music Festival at The Customs House 1.00-3.00pm

Football Gidney League at Hebburn Comp 3.30pm

#### **Wednesday 6th March**

Y6 Mass in church 10.00am

#### **Thursday 7th March**

World Book Day

#### **Friday 8th March**

Y5 Whole Class Mass in Church

### Dear Parents and Carers

Hello everyone and hope you are all well. Spring looks like it is starting to appear, and our Laudato Si club have been busy planting bulbs in readiness for the warmer weather. Lots of information to give you, so here goes...

### Fundraise and Recycle Scheme

As you know, we have a clothing collection unit outside school where our community can donate their old clothes. This ensures that we are recycling, as well as raising funds for school. For the next fortnight, we have the 'Travelling Clothes Bank' in school, where our rewards are doubled. Information around this was shared earlier and is available [here](#). There is also a free prize draw for every donation. Come along to the school office to enter. There will be 3 x £15 vouchers to be won.

Miss Hunt has also made a video about the scheme, which you can view [here](#). This also shows how much we have recycled, raised for school and how many trees we have planted.

### CAFOD Big Lent Walk

Our Big Lent Walk has started, and information is available [here](#). Children and families can log their walking information ANY time during Lent by using the Google Form [here](#):

- If you walk to school, log your distance!
- If you go for a walk on the weekend, log your distance!
- If you go shopping at the Metro Centre, log your distance!

We would love to smash 400km as a school, as well as raise over the £200 target for CAFOD. We will be talking about this with the children on Monday.

### Mass in church

Every Wednesday, one of our year groups attends the Mass led by Father Adrian in church. It has been lovely to see many families also attending these services. This week, Year 5 will be in attendance, while Y6 will be there the week after.

This week, Nursery attended their first Mass. Father Adrian told them (unsurprisingly) that they were 'perfect'! Well done to our amazing Nursery children. We are very proud of you.

### School Council cake sale

The School Council are focused on raising funds for playground toys and equipment, and will be holding a cake sale every month. Cakes will be donated by school, but we would also welcome any home-made cakes too. If you can spare some time to make some cakes, please send them in on the morning of the cake sale (next one on Thursday 29th February)



### Kindness Challenge

Well done to the children who have already brought in their Kindness challenge booklets. The last day of the challenge is on Friday 1st March. Please bring in any completed or partially completed booklets to share on this day. All pupils who have completed the booklet will be entered into a prize draw.

### World Book Day

World Book day will take place on Thursday 7th March. This year we are asking pupils to come to school in pyjamas and/or dressing gowns and slippers. There will be a range of activities and events taking place during the day.

### Bikes and scooters

Just a reminder that we ask pupils to dismount from bikes and scooters before they enter school grounds.

Take care,  
Mr P Craig  
Headteacher

Nursery Reception Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6

**Items in bold = parents and families are invited**

February	Monday 26th February	Fundraise & Recycle Double Rewards Week
	Wednesday 28th February	<b>Y5 Mass in church 10.00am (parents invited)</b>
	Thursday 29th February	<b>Reception 'Celebration of the Word' in school 9.00am (parents invited)</b>  School Council cake sale 10.00am
March	Friday 1st March	<b>Final Kindness Matters Challenge Day</b>  <b>Nursery Stay &amp; Play 10.45am</b>  Lost property table outside school office 3.00pm
	Monday 4th March	<b>Girls' Football Cup</b>  <b>Parents' Evening A 3.30-6.00pm</b>  Y4 Music Festival rehearsal (pm)
	Tuesday 5th March	<b>Y4 Music Festival at Customs House 1.00-3.00pm</b>  <b>Football Gidney League at Hebburn Comp 3.30pm</b>
	Wednesday 6th March	<b>Y6 Mass in church 10.00am (parents invited)</b>
	Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
	Friday 8th March	<b>Y5 Class Mass in church 9.15am (parents invited)</b>
	Monday 11th March	<b>First Holy Communion parents' meeting 7.00pm in church</b>
	Tuesday 12th March	<b>Girl's football match at Hebburn Comp (pm)</b>  <b>Parents' Evening B 1.00-5.00pm</b>
	Wednesday 13th March	KS2 (8 pupils) FA Para Football Festival at Temple Park (pm)  <b>Y4 Mass in church 10.00am (parents invited)</b>  <b>First Holy Communion childrens' meeting in church</b>

		<b>3.30-4.30pm</b>
Friday 15th March		Y2 All Star Cricket at Temple Park (pm)
Sunday 17th March		<b>First Holy Communion Special Mass Liturgy in church 11.00am</b>
Tuesday 19th March		<b>A VERY special visitor!!!!!! WHOOPA!!!!</b>
		<b>Football Gidney League 3.30pm at Clegwell CA</b>
Wednesday 20th March		<b>Y3 Mass in church 10.00am (parents invited)</b>
Friday 22nd March		CAFOD Big Lent Walk in school
Monday 25th March		<b>Easter Egg competition - info to follow</b>
		KS2 (selected pupils) Boccia event all day
Tuesday 26th March		<b>Y5 'Three Trees' Easter play 9.15am in school (ALL parents and community invited)</b>
		Nursery Gym Festival at Urban Factory am
Wednesday 27th March		<b>Y2 Mass in church 10.00am (parents invited)</b>
		<b>KS2 Gold Book Assembly 2.15pm (parents invited)</b>
		Lost property table outside school office 3.00pm
Thursday 28th March		<b>Stations of the Cross service in church 9.15am (parents invited)</b>
		Half day finish 1.00pm
		End of term
<b>Pupils return to school on Monday 15th April 2024</b>		

### Weekly clubs

<b>Monday</b>	Lunch 3.15-4.15pm	Girls football club	Y5/6
		CAFOD club	KS2
		Prayer group	All pupils
	3.15-4.15pm	Lego club	All pupils
<b>Tuesday</b>	Lunch	School Council (every fortnight)	KS2

	3.15-4.15pm	Little Movers	Reception & KS1
<b>Wednesday</b>	Lunch	Guitar club	KS2
	Lunch	MFL club	Y3/4
	Lunch	Laudato Si club	KS2
	Lunch	Football training	Y5/6
	Lunch	MFL club	Y3/Y4
<b>Thursday</b>	Lunch	Open the Book club	Y6 leaders/ Nursery-Y3
	Lunch	Boys Reading group	KS2
	3.15-4.15pm	Mindfulness club	All pupils
<b>Every day</b>	8.20am	Library club	All pupils
<b>Every day</b>	Lunch	Superstar readers	All pupils