



St Catherine's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

14th January 2022

Live, Love and Learn Together,
Growing with God, in Knowledge and Faith

Important dates for your diary: Coming up...

**Whole School Flu
Immunisation:**
Wednesday 26th
January 2022

Parents Evenings:
8th 9th 15th and 16th
February 2022

**FOREST SCHOOL
SESSIONS:**
ASH CLASS, every
Friday please bring
wet weather gear
and wellies.

**LEE CUFF SPORTS
SESSIONS:**
SYCAMORE CLASS,
every Wednesday

Message from Mrs Terrey:

Welcome back! I'm hoping 2022 will be a healthy and productive year for us all. The children have settled back to the school routine so well, I am so proud of their resilience and positivity, it really does make teaching them a pleasure!

The St Catherine's representative at the XC Individual Event 2022 which was held at Beaminster School were fantastic and I would like to congratulate them on their amazing achievements. The next Cross-Country Event will be held at Sir John Colfox on Tuesday 25th January 2022, where it will be time for the relays! I am confident that our runners will be just as great then too!

We will be holding a Parents Evening in February which I hope you will all attend to see how your child is coming along.

We will hold a meeting for the parents of the Year 5 children who are going to Leeson House on Monday 24th January more details later.

I know you are with me in supporting and encouraging your children and between us and the brilliant St Catherine's staff, we are a formidable team that I am proud to be a part of!

Parents Evenings:

We will be holding Parents Evenings on 8th and 9th of February and the 15th and 16th of February. These will be a mix of in person and online appointments as we did last time. We will also be handing out another Questionnaire which we encourage you to fill out and return to us to help us identify our strengths and weaknesses and to grow stronger together.



Names, names, names:

The weather is getting colder so please remember to send a coat, scarf, gloves and hat to school for your child. Please put your child's name on every single thing they bring in to school!!



After School Clubs:

The difficult decision has been made to postpone the After School Clubs until we return from Half Term on Tuesday 1st of March (Monday the 28th February is an inset day). We will keep the same clubs we had before and you will be emailed to confirm the time, day and club your child has signed up to.



XC Individual Event 2022:

The St Catherine's RC Primary School runners came up trumps in their individual events on Tuesday 11th January. We would like to congratulate them all on their sterling efforts and their wonderful sporting attitude!



<p>Year 3/4 Girls Race Evlyn S - 1st Immy H - 4th Annie M - 5th Angel M - 12th</p>	<p>Year 3/4 Boys Race Kieran D- 1st Rohan V - 3rd Milo P - 10th Mikiel L - 16th</p>
<p>Year 5/6 Girls Race Ellie R - 14th Jasmin P - 18th Tiffany C - 22nd</p>	<p>Year 5/6 Boys Race Harry E - 1st Oscar S- 3rd Alfie B - 4th Theo P - 6th Riley-James C - 8th Olly D - 14th Liam W - 18th</p>
<p>Team Event Harry, Oscar, Alfie and Theo won the Year 5/6 Boys A team race Evlyn, Annie, Immie and Angel won the Year 3/4 Girls A team race</p>	



Whole School Flu Immunisation:

We sent out an email at the beginning of the week with details of the Flu Immunisation visit on Wednesday 26 January 2022 and how to book your child a place. This absolutely HAS to be completed by Monday 24th January in order for your child to be immunised. If you would rather your child not be immunised, you can find details on how to opt out on the online form.



Maple Class:

As historians we looked at the legacy of the Ancient Greeks and how they influenced our lives (architecture, theatre, sculpture, beliefs, Olympics and democracy).

As scientists we have been learning how to classify animals, investigated the effect of different types of forces and investigated what affects the frequency of sound.

As artists we compared Greek architecture with the structure of Notre Dame Cathedral.

As musicians we are learning how to programme using 'Scratch'.

As athletes we have developed our teamwork as well as our sending and receiving skills.

As writers we have written stories based on The Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman. We also wrote a transmission from a planet of our choice.

As mathematicians we have used place value to millions and tens of millions. We have been practicing our arithmetic skills by understanding the order to carry out mathematical operations in as well as improving our knowledge of decimals and fractions.



Leeson House Trip:

Year 5 are taking a trip to Leeson House from Wednesday the 16th February to Friday the 18th of February. Miss Cross will hold a Zoom meeting for parents on Monday 24th January to ask any questions and air any concerns they may have, If your child is due to go on the trip, please do try to attend the meeting.



Half Term and Inset Day:

We break up for half term at 3pm on Friday 18th February and return to school on TUESDAY 1st of March as we have an Inset Day on the Monday.



PTFA:

We are always looking for more members for the PTFA and they would love to hear from you! Please email Scptfa@gmail.com or cast an eye over the Facebook page for an idea of who they are and what they do.

Epiphany:

The 6th of January is when we celebrate The Epiphany. It is a special date in the Christmas story as it's when people celebrate how a star led the Magi - also known as the Three Kings or the Wise Men - to visit the baby Jesus after he had been born. 'Epiphany' comes from the Greek word meaning 'to reveal', as it is when the baby Jesus was 'revealed' to the world.

This is why you might hear people say they've had an epiphany, when they've just realised something.

We know the Three Kings travelled a long way, with only the shining star and their faith to guide them. Sometimes we have to have faith that our journey will lead us to where we need to be. It's definitely not always easy, the path may be rocky and difficult to navigate but, with faith in ourselves and in our hearts, if we try, try, try, we can, can, can!!

Prayer to the Three Kings:

O Holy Magi, you were living in continual expectation of the rising of the Star of Jacob, which would announce the birth of the true Son of justice; obtain for me an increase of faith and charity, and the grace to live in continual hope of beholding, one day, the light of heavenly glory and eternal joy.

Amen