

St Catherine's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

16th March 2022

Live, Love and Learn Together,

Growing with God, in Knowledge and Faith

Important dates for your diary: Coming up...

<u>End of Term:</u> Friday 8th April 2022.

<u>Back to School:</u> Monday 25th April 2022

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

LEE CUFF SPORTS SESSIONS: MAPLE CLASS, every Wednesday.

Message from Mrs Terrey:

Well, we've been back for two weeks and SO much has happened already! We had a brilliant World Book Day. I loved seeing all your #shelfies and watching you perform your poems made me so proud of all of you!

We've had fancy new furniture in our library and we will be holding a Book Fayre in April.

Our first School Disco happened and I loved dusting off my dancing shoes and having fun with all of you.

There's been some sadness too with the situation in the Ukraine. On Friday morning we all attended a vigil to pray for the people affected by the war. Not only the people in Ukraine but people who have families nearby. We are keeping them in our hearts and prayers.

Mrs Terrey

World Book Day:

We had an amazing time on World Book Day. We performed poems, read stories and heard tall tales of foreign lands!

It's Good to Talk:

If you have a concern or something you would like to speak to your child's teacher about, please make an appointment with Miss Fearn in the office for a phone call from your teacher. This way we can be sure you can speak freely and confidentially. Thank you.









Local Governing Board:

You may have noticed two of our Local Governing Board asking for Parent Views on Wednesday 9th March. This is part of an exercise for the Governors to learn more about what is important to you, as a parent, and how we, as a school, can improve. We've already made substantial changes and we've added an article to our Newsletter called: **You said...We Did..!** Which will be a regular feature to update you on improvements or changes made from your suggestions.

You said...We Did..!

You said: 'there aren't enough non-fiction books in the library' We ordered a new set of KS2 reading books.

After School Clubs:

After School Clubs have started with a bang and we are all having so much fun! The Drama Club have learnt how to use the text to create a character. How to use their voice and body to show emotion and the incredible difference that exclamation and question marks make to a sentence!?!

Tag Rugby Festival:

Our Tag Rugby Team took part in a Festival, with other Primary Schools, on Saturday 12th March at Bridport Ruby Club. To say they dominated is an understatement! They won EVERY SINGLE MATCH!!! The team are wearing their medals with pride! Congratulations to: Charlie, Liam, Edward, Theo, Joshua, Poppy, Riley-James, Immie, Harry, Oscar, Freya, Alfie and Harry. We would also like to thank Ben Stephens for so kindly giving up his time to coach them and Mrs Terrey for supervising and making sure everything was fairly played!

Parking:

We have, unfortunately, had another incident with cars at drop off time where a parent hit another parents car. No one was hurt and there was no damage to either car but it does remind us to please park considerately and mindfully.





Disco:

below.

On Friday we held our first Whole School Disco since COVID restrictions started and what an amazing event it was!!!! Disco Diva's, Breakdancing and we Definitely Don't talk about Bruno! No, no!!! We are looking forward to the next Disco and know it will be even bigger and better! Huge thanks to Dorset Galaxy Discos for spinning some fantastic tunes!

OAK - Thursday with Class Teacher SYCAMORE - Monday with Class Teacher and Friday Forest School (please bring wellies and wet weather gear) ASH - Tuesday and Friday with Class Teacher HAZEL - Monday and Friday with Class Teacher MAPLE - Wednesday with Lee Cuff

PE Schedule:

The PE Schedule is on the website (PE Schedule) and is shown

As we are now out of the COVID restrictions all children will bring their PE Kit in a suitable PE Bag into school next Monday (21st March 2022) where it will stay until we break up for half term. This includes Oak Class. The children will change in the classrooms for PE.

PE Kit:







As a wonderful finale to our Poetry Week the children recited their chosen poems in a special assembly in front of the entire school. The performances were fantastic and the winner from KS1 was Arthur and KS2 Imogen-Rose. Congratulations to all the children who took part!





When we come back to school after the Easter break (week commencing Monday 25th April) we will be holding a Book Fayre in our refurbished Library. You will be able to come and browse the books and order them for delivery to the school. Look out for more details in the next Newsletter.

Parent Volunteers:

As we are now out of the COVID restrictions we are very keen to invite Parent Volunteers back into school! We are starting with Reading Partners. If you have a drop of spare time and could come in to listen to children read, please contact the Office. We will be very happy to hear from you!

Have We Got Your Number?:

Communication is always a hot topic but, do we have your current phone numbers? Are you getting emails from us or do you need to let us know your new email address and lastly, are you 100% sure we have your correct house address? If you aren't sure if your details are up to date, please contact the Office, either via email, (office@stcatherinesbridport.dorset.sch.uk) or call us (01308 423568) and we will be happy to check!

Red Nose Day:

This Friday is Red Nose Day. Pupils are invited to wear RED (and have red noses whether they are bought or face painted on!) and to bring a donation of at least $\pounds 1$ to help raise money for this fantastic fund.

The money raised by this year's Red Nose Day will, in part, go towards helping people affected by the war in the Ukraine.

PTFA:

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



Sycamore Class:

As geographers we have been learning where different products come from around the world and labelling them on a map.

As scientists we made boats from silver foil to see if we could get them to float.

As computer scientists we have been learning the position of letters and numbers on a keyboard.

As musicians we have been finding the pulse, clapping and rhythms and thinking about pitch within our new unit of work called Zootime!

As athletes we had a great time with Stephen doing our REAL PE sessions.

As writers we have started to read The Crow's Tail and we've been writing sentences using inverted commas, adjectives and similes.

As mathematicians we have been working on measure and have been solving word problems.

Ash Wednesday Liturgy:

We were very pleased for Father Keith and Deacon Mark to come to school for Ash Wednesday. If your child came home a smidge grubbier than normal this is because they had ash placed on their forehead in the sign of the cross. Ash Wednesday is a solemn reminder of our mortality and the need for reconciliation with God and marks the beginning of the Lent.

Lent:

During Lent we remember the 40 days and nights Jesus spent fasting in the desert. During this time it is usual to give up something so we can share in Jesus' sacrifice and grow closer to Him.

This Easter, try taking something up! Pray each day, be nicer to your brother or sister, ask your parents or carers if they need your help, have a drop more patience with a co-worker or class mate?

In these tiny things we can help grow as a caring and loving person who shows their affection and appreciation to the people around them.

Jesus knew how important it was to make people feel valued and cherished, He made sure the people close to him were happy and secure and sent His love out to the entire world.