



THE ST CHARLES' NEWSLETTER

Friday 3rd March 2023

"Bring Forth Christ"



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***** SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 3:30PM ON THURSDAY 6TH APRIL FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAYS *****

LENT

Our focus this week has been on the Transfiguration, when Jesus revealed who he truly was to his Disciples. We've discussed how his disciples felt when this happened and the impact of this action. Next week our focus is on what it means to be 'spiritually thirsty.' Yesterday, 27 of our children were presented at Class Mass in readiness to start their Sacramental Programme journey. They all took part in their first session after school yesterday and were a joy to be around. Please join me in praying for these children as they embark on this journey.



PTFA – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thank you to those who responded to our consultation on attending our PTFA AGM in the hope we can keep it operating. From analysing the responses, the most popular option was an in person meeting after school on a Tuesday. Therefore, we have rescheduled the AGM for 6pm on Tuesday 21st March in school. We hope as many of you can attend as possible and that we can keep our PTFA operating.

LET'S GO SING CONCERT

We are looking forward to our school choir performing at King George's Hall at the Let's Go Sing Concert on Monday 13th March 2023. King George's Hall have asked schools to remind parents who are buying tickets for the Let's Go Sing Concerts to do so as soon as possible. Some nights are close to selling out and it will help the box office staff to avoid dealing with a rush of last-minute sales. It is strongly advised that tickets are bought in advance and not left to the day or worse, on the door. For the night we are performing, there are around 60 tickets left. To book tickets, please visit: <https://bwdvenues.com/whats-on/lets-go-sing-2023/>

HAF EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

Our Wraparound care provider, PALS, have received funding to run a free Easter Holiday Club, with meals included, from Hyndburn council for all children eligible for FSM. Activities will take place such as: golf, archery and fencing. There will also be an Easter party, Nerf arena and inflatables. To book for the Easter Holiday Club, visit <https://pals.schoolipal.co.uk> or Email: playandlearnscheme@gmail.com. If you think you might be eligible for FSM funding but don't yet receive it, you can check out the information and apply on our school website: <https://www.st-charles.lancs.sch.uk/financial-support>.

BREAKFAST CLUB EARLIER OPENING CONSULTATION

Our Breakfast Club currently runs from 8:00am – 8:45am. However, we are aware that a number of parents are queueing at the door as they need to leave as they have other drop offs/work to get to. I have liaised with PALS, who operate our wraparound care, as to whether we could open earlier. They are keen for this to happen. However, before we commit to doing this, we need to ensure there is the need for it. Therefore, please could you spend a couple of minutes letting us know if this would be preferable to you. If we don't get enough interest for this, we won't be able to go ahead with it. <https://forms.office.com/e/UfijbReJ3>

ATTENDANCE REMINDER

- If your child is going to be absent, you must inform school as soon as possible, 9.15am at the latest, via ClassDojo! or by phone. Please leave a specific reason for the absence, 'unwell' is not a valid reason.
- Children can only be collected early from school if they have an appointment. Arrangements can be made to keep children in school safely until parents are able to collect. Where you need to collect your child early for another reason, please complete an absence request form.

TOAST

Our children's school council have managed to secure a weekly donation of bread from Warburtons. This will be offered to each class twice a week from this Monday. The cost of this will be £2 to cover the cost of butter/spread and eventually fund a new 6-slice toaster.

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNERS

REC	Eevie	YEAR 4	Orion
YEAR 1	William	YEAR 5	Sienna
YEAR 2	Elliott	YEAR 6	Zachary M
YEAR 3	Poppy		

YEAR 1 PARENTS' EVENING

The Year 1 Parents' Evening has been rearranged for Tuesday 21st March. Booking information will be sent out towards the end of next week. Thank you for your patience.

DIARY DATES

March

Friday 10th – Year 5 Class Mass

Monday 13th – Let's Go Sing at King George's Hall

Friday 17th – Year 4 Class Mass

Tuesday 21st – Year 1 Parents' Evening

PTFA AGM

Stations of the Cross at St. Hubert's – 6:30pm

Friday 24th – Year 3 Class Mass

Friday 31st – Year 2 Class Mass

Rocksteady Music Concert

April

Monday 3rd – Holy Week Starts

Thursday 6th – School Closes for the Easter Holidays

Monday 24th – School Opens

Friday 28th – Year 1 Class Mass

May

Monday 1st – School Closed – Bank Holiday

Friday 5th – Rec and Year 6 Class Mass

Monday 8th – School Closed – Coronation of King Charles III

Tuesday 9th – SATs week starts