



THE ST CHARLES' NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th February 2023

"Bring Forth Christ"



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

LENT

We started the season of Lent on Wednesday with Mass celebrated by Fr. Ethelbert. Many thanks to all the parents and parishioners who joined us for this. This week our worship focus has been on Jesus being tempted as he fasted for forty days. We have explored how we might be tempted as we begin our Lenten fasts and what we can do to resist.



Our GIFT Team also shared an Easter Lenten Prayer which they have created to be used across school. A copy of it is below if any of our families would like to say it together at home.

ST. JOSEPH'S PENNY BOXES

The children took home their St. Joseph's Penny Boxes which raises money for our Diocesan charity, Caritas. Boxes need to be returned to school during Holy Week, WB 3rd April 2023. Boxes can be returned earlier, emptied and taken home again if required. Thank you for your support.



ST. CHARLES' RCP SCHOOL LENTEN PRAYER

Dear Lord, During this season of Lent, we prepare for Jesus sacrificing his life for us on the cross. We ask God, Our Father, to support us to say no when we are feeling tempted to break our Lenten fasting, to guide us in our daily prayers and to support our acts of almsgiving as we try to give what we can to charity.

Keep our thoughts and prayers safe in your hands during this season of Lent. We offer this and all our prayers through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen

EASTER EGG RAFFLE

We will be operating our Easter Egg Raffle during the last week of term. Donations of Easter Eggs are welcome from now onwards.

PTFA – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thank you to those who have responded to the online questionnaire I circulated before half-term. As there were some issues accessing the form, I have extended the deadline for submissions to this. If you would still like to respond, please complete the form by 9am on Monday 27th February 2023. Please [CLICK HERE](#).

WORLD BOOK DAY

We will be celebrating World Book Day in school next Thursday 2nd March. Once again, children will be able to come to school dressed as their favourite book character or in their pyjamas ready for a good bedtime story. As always, you do not need to spend a lot of money on a costume. There are lots of simple but effective ideas online for how to make your own.

KING'S CORONATION – BANK HOLIDAY

The Government has announced a one-off bank holiday on Monday 8th May 2023 to mark the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III. School will not be open on this day.

NEU INDUSTRIAL ACTION

A letter was circulated on Tuesday with information about the impact of the NEU Industrial Action here at St. Charles'. If you haven't received this letter, please contact the school office.

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNERS				FIRST HOLY COMMUNION	
REC	Alfred	YEAR 4	Elena	A letter was e-mailed out to those Y5/Y6 parents who asked for their child to take part in the Sacramental Programme. If you haven't received a copy, please contact the school office.	
YEAR 1	Noah	YEAR 5	Tessa		
YEAR 2	George	YEAR 6	Antonio		
YEAR 3	Lochlan				