

# THE ST CHARLES' NEWSLETTER

Friday 3rd February 2023
"Bring Forth Christ"



Determination Friendship Good Manners Respect Responsibility

\*\*\* SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3:30PM NEXT FRIDAY 10TH FEBRUARY FOR HALF-TERM \*\*\*

## SALT AND LIGHT

Our Worship focus this week has been on Jesus teaching us about how we 'are the Salt of the Earth and the Light of the World.' We learnt about how we can share our light with others and what it means to keep our light shining. Next week the focus moves on to learning about how we can show love in challenging situations.



## CLASS MASS NEXT WEEK AT 9:45AM - YEAR 1

#### **PTFA - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Our PTFA were scheduled to hold their AGM last Monday however there were not sufficient people in attendance to hold it. We have therefore re-scheduled it for Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February at the later time of 7pm. Hopefully there will be enough members of our school community in attendance so that we can ensure we have a full committee and firm plans for the year ahead. Without the support of our school community, our PTFA will have to disband and any remaining funds will be absorbed into the school fund account. This will also mean that there will be no more Discos, Inflatable Days, Christmas Markets and BBQs. We hope you can join us for the meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> February to keep our PTFA operating.

## **WORLD BOOK DAY**

We will be celebrating World Book Day in school on 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. We are also planning on doing a 'Book Swap' at some point during the week, so if you're having a half-term clear out, you might want to dig out some books that your child can exchange.

## **SNACKS**

Please can you make sure your send your child into school with fruit for their breaktime snack. We have seen an increase in children bringing chocolate and sugar filled snacks in for their snack.

## WHAT IS THE SERVICE PUPIL PREMIUM?

Service Pupil Premium (SPP) is money that is paid directly to schools to support Service Children. Your child is eligible if you are currently Service Personnel, Full time reserve Service personnel on full commitment who have a deployable role, or a family where a service parent has died in service or left through injury. The amount available from the Dept for Education is currently £310.00. Schools decide how to spend this money, usually for pastoral support. If you think that school could claim for this money for your child, let school know you are a service family and this will be included on the school census in October enabling us to claim this premium to be used for your child. SPP cannot be claimed retrospectively.

### **SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT**

We are currently in the process of reviewing our school's mission statement. It is currently: St Charles' School is a Roman Catholic Community, which strives to provide the best possible education for our children by nurturing personal development and promoting academic achievement. Each individual will grow in the love and knowledge of God and Christ's teaching. A positive partnership will be built between families, Church and school. This provides an environment of love and respect; security and confidence; which allows every child to achieve their full potential and be happy.

If you want to share your thoughts on whether you think it is fit for purpose or needs improving in any way, please click on this link and share your thoughts: <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/s7xnXFKd8i">https://forms.office.com/e/s7xnXFKd8i</a>

### FRIDAY ASSEMBLY

Please can I remind parents to behave respectfully during our Friday assembly. Our staff work hard to instil this value in our children and we appreciate your support in doing the same. Thank you.

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARD WINNERS				PARENTS' EVENING
REC	lvy	YEAR 4	Lacie	You should have received an e-mail notifying you
YEAR 1	Louie	YEAR 5	Isabel	of your child's parents' evening appointment
YEAR 2	Aris	YEAR 6	Zachary R	time. If you haven't received this, please contact
YEAR 3	Theia			the school office.