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Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Welcome back to the second half of this Spring term. We have a lot of exciting things coming up; World Book Day, school trips, the Gala Dance Festival, Easter Disco as well as Holy Week in school this year.

Lent: Prayer, Fasting and Works of Love

During the half term break, as well as eating pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, we celebrated the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday. Children have made a Lenten promise; something that they want to do during Lent.

This is an opportunity to live the Gospel each day. Have you thought of something extra/different that you can do during this special time of reflection? During Lent, as part of our almsgiving this season, we shall be raising money for St Cuthbert's Care by participating in the 5p challenge again by collecting 5ps again each Friday. Even a small collection of 5ps can go a long way. Thank you in advance.



Doing Good Deeds for Jesus

Year 6 Safety Carousel Next Week Now!

The Year 6 Safety Carousel is now happening on Wednesday 28th February (next week) as opposed to Monday 5th March. Please ensure that your child has their packed lunch as previously mentioned on the letter.

Book Fair Next Week/ World Book Day

Just a reminder that we shall be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 1st March. Children can come to school dressed as a character from a book. The book fair will also be returning to school next week and books shall be available to purchase after school in Caroline's Library each night after school.



Sri Lanka Visit

Mr Rooney and I are visiting our partner school in Sri Lanka next week so we won't be in school and the next newsletter will be available on Friday 9th March. We shall be in touch!

Wishing you all a wonderful week, Catherine Harper (Head teacher)

'A happy and holy place of learning, and the centre of a thriving community'



Upcoming Events

February 27

Reception - Vision tests in school

February 28

Safety Carousel Trip for Year 6

February 28

Reception Mass, 9.15am

March 1

WORLD BOOK DAY

March 2

Y3 Collective Worship 9am (Y3 classroom)
Y2 Collective Worship 9.30am (Y2
classroom) -change of date

March 2

Y5 are performing a 'Play in a Day' about The Vikings. Parents are welcome to come along to watch at 3:00pm.

March 7

Mother's Day Whole School Mass, 9.15am

March 7

Mother's Day Lunch in school

March 8

Y5 Trip to the Jorvik Viking Centre

March 9

Y5 Collective Worship (Y5 classroom)

March 12/14

Parents' Evenings

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Gold Book Winners (Thursday 22nd February)

Miss Harper- Holly Shotton
Miss Caulfield- Zack Blondrage
Mrs Lauder- Briana Mulcahy
Miss Loughlin – Finn Monaghan
Miss Williamson – James Oliver
Mrs Rowley – Emily Allan
Mrs Readman – Olivia Lavick
Mrs Brown – Hermione Clennell
Mrs Donaghy- Henry Vince
Miss O'Sullivan – James Atkinson

Mr Kent- Alfie Balfour
Mrs Stone- Imogen Husband
Mrs Bissell- Joseph Makepeace
Mr McQueen- Boe Bilton
Mrs Hanley- Dominic Bradley
Mrs Malpass – Lewis Hume
Mrs O'Neill – Robyn Wall
Mrs Finley- Olivia Lavick
Mrs Tallentire- Tommy Hepple



Friends of St Benet's Coffee Morning

our Friends of St Benet's coffee morning on

Do you ever wonder what our Friends of St Benet's do behind the scenes or are debating whether you can offer some help or not? Then please come along to

Thursday 15th March at 9.15am. Free coffee, free cake and a chance to meet some other parents. The Valentine's Disco raised £380.00 which is fantastic!



Year 5 are the attendance winners this week – 100%



Social Media App Reminder:

The legal and recommended age for children using certain apps is 13 years old!

Statements to Live By

This week's Statement to Live By is...



'I try to appreciate the beauty and the wonder in the world around me.'

Put the technology away and take your children outside. Go for a walk to appreciate nature and be thankful for where we live. What do they see? What do they hear?

What simple things in our world do we love and wish to protect?















Decorate the Egg Competition

We shall now be holding the Decorate the Egg
Competition on Tuesday 27th
March as opposed to the following day. For any child that wishes to enter, eggs are to be decorated and brought into school on Tuesday 27th March. There is a cost of £1.00 to enter the competition. Please ensure that the child's name and class is mentioned somewhere on the decoration.

Easter Disco

Tickets for the Easter Disco held on Tuesday 27th March shall go on sale soon. £2.50 per child with a fish finger sandwich and a drink included.

Guitar/Violin Lessons Increase

Musical Mates who provide Guitar and Violin tuition are increasing their hourly rate. Therefore after Easter costs for violin and guitar shall be £4.00 per session.