



St Kentigern's R.C Primary School

31.3.2023

Attendance Winners!

Congratulations to Y2 Palm (Miss Dempsey) and Year 4 Maple (Miss McLaughlin) on winning the Attendance Award this week. Palm achieved 96.8% and Maple, 97.3% - well done, all!

Breakfast and After School Club

We have had a significant increase in families placing their children in either Breakfast or After School Club without booking in advance as well as families collecting their children late at the end of the day resulting in the children being placed in our club. It is vital that the booking process is followed to ensure the clubs have the correct level of staffing. Please ensure that, if you have not booked a place in our After School Club, you are at school, on time, to collect your children. Information will be shared with all families next week regarding the new procedures that will be in place to help us manage this situation.

Easter Bonnet Parade

Our Early Years children and our KS1 children will delight us all with their wonderful Easter Bonnets on Tuesday 4th April. Nursery and Reception children will parade around the KS1 playground at 9.00am. Families should drop their children off at their class and then make their way to the KS1 playground. The Year 1 and Year 2 children will take to the catwalk in the school hall at 9.30am. Parents should drop their children off to their class and then make their way to the school hall. There will be sufficient time for families who have children in both the EYFS and KS1 to attend both parades. We can't wait to see their wonderful creations!

Special Educational Needs Holiday Activities

Please click on the link below for activities for SEND children in Manchester this Easter holiday

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKMANCHESTER/bulletins/3517794>

Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday 27th April. Sign up sheets will be on your child's class See Saw page from Monday 3rd April.

Right of the week

Article 19 Protection from Violence

Governments must do all they can to ensure that children are protected from all forms of violence, abuse, neglect and bad treatment by their parents or anyone else who looks after them.

Loreto High School Sponsored Walk

We were delighted to welcome students from Loreto High School as they completed their CAFOD sponsored walk.



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Palm Sunday Assembly

A huge thank you to our wonderful KS1 children who acted out the story of Palm Sunday. They were exceptional. We are extremely fortunate to have such amazing children and supportive parents.



ArtBytes competition

An exciting art competition has been launched with some wonderful artwork by Year 5 pupils from our school. Please use the QR code on the attached poster to access St Kentigern's entries and cast your vote. Share this with your family members and friends to also gain more votes! The online public vote will be open from Saturday 1st April and the artwork with the most votes wins a place in the 'Artbytes' virtual art exhibition. There will also be a winner for the 'Community Engagement Prize' for the school with the most votes. Let's support Year 5 and our school by casting our votes to ensure we achieve these awards!

Spotlight on Reading

As we all know, reading fluently is vitally important skill for all children but it is also a wonderful hobby to have.

Readers of the Week

Name: Miss Dempsey

Job: Teacher

Currently reading: Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett
(Class Story with Year 2!)

Favourite Book: Guess How Much I Love You by
Sam McBratney

Favourite author: A.A. Milne

Why I enjoy reading: I love reading because, every
time I see a book I loved, I smile and remember my
reading experience.

Name: Jorgi-Rose

Class: Year 2 Palm

Currently Reading: Love Is My Favourite Thing by
Emma Chichester Clarke

Favourite Book: Stickman by Julia Donaldson

Favourite Author: Julia Donaldson

Why I enjoy reading: I enjoy reading because it
helps my brain to grow and it is fun.

Year 5 Lowry Art Gallery Visit

This week 5 Cedar visited the Lowry Art Gallery in Salford. They enjoyed using their viewfinders to help them sketch landscapes and learn all about the work of Lowry.

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Year 4 Drama Workshop

On Tuesday, Year 4 took part in drama workshops relating to their Shang Dynasty topic. They learned all about Fu Hao, a Chinese Empress; they learned about the hierarchy of people in the ancient civilisation from the farmers to the soldiers to the Emperors and Empresses. The children brilliantly created mimed scenes and freeze frames to show their understanding.



Message from Fr. Michael

Hello and I hope everyone is well and we are looking after one another. This weekend it is "Palm Sunday" and that means Holy Week begins. We bless palm branches from the Holy Land and everyone takes a branch leaf home (in the shape of a cross) and this is a prayer of welcome to our Blessed Lord. Just as two thousand years ago the people welcomed Jesus with palm branches and sang "Hosanna." We too welcome our blessed Lord into our homes and our lives and we too pray "Hosanna!" This is Holy Week; Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday are the major feast days in our calendar. It will be great to see you at church this week. This is our preparation for Easter. Also, this weekend, let us say a prayer for Pope Francis who is in hospital. Have a great weekend. St. Kentigern, pray for us.

With continued best wishes,

Madeine Muldoon

Mrs Muldoon

Headteacher