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Fund Raising Book Sale

Thank you to everyone for supporting our book sale last week. I am delighted to announce that you helped to raise a magnificent $\pounds 250!$ Fr. Cleary would like to pass on his appreciation and his thanks. It is wonderful to have such strong links between our school and church.

Irish Community Care

We were delighted to accept the very kind invitation extended to us from Irish Community Care to join them in making St. Brigid's Crosses. The children thoroughly enjoyed it and have taken their crosses back to school to be placed on our prayer tables.



First Holy Communion

May I please remind all families who wish to enrol their child in the Sacramental Programme, that the deadline is <u>MONDAY 5TH FEBRUARY</u>. Enrolment forms must be handed into Fr, Michael after you have attended mass this weekend. Enrolment forms cannot be handed into the school office; they must be hand delivered to Fr. Michael.

Right of the Week

Article 19 Protection from Violence, Abuse and Neglect

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.

Caritas in Action Award

This week, our Caritas in Action Award has been given to Luyando for showing great kindness and thoughtfulness in helping another child in her class. This is a wonderful way of demonstrating the Catholic Social Teaching principle of Family and Community.



Year 5 Birch Assembly

Thank you to Miss Chilvers class for providing us with such an informative assembly on E-Safety. As you know, access to social media can be very problematic for some children. We know that it is very hard for parents to monitor and so we continue to provide links on our webpage for parents and children to access in order to keep your children safe online. The link below will take you directly to the page. Can I please encourage you to sit with your children as they go through the programme. Prevention is far greater than trying to resolve difficulties after an issue has occurred.



https://www.st-kentigerns.manchester.sch.uk/parent-information/e-safety

Year 2 visit The Marist Centre

This week, Year 2 visited the Marist Centre. The children took part in prayers, songs and role-play linked to the theme of, 'I am special. You are special'. The staff were impressed by the children's talents and their behaviour.



<u>Safer Internet Day</u>

Safer Internet Day will take place on Tuesday 6th of February 2024, with celebrations and learning based around the theme 'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'. To celebrate the day, Miss Chilvers is running a whole school competition and is looking for entries that support the campaign theme in the form of a song, poem, poster or video/vlog (and anything else in between!). There will be a winning entry for Early Years, KS1 and KS2. Please upload any work to Seesaw or bring it into school by Friday 9th February. Good luck!

Collective Worship for families

Please find below, the link to this week's Collective Worship newsletter.

https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/

A Message from Fr. Michael

Hello and I hope everyone is well and being kind to one another. Isn't it great that February is here, I am always glad to see the end of January. And February begins with the feast of "The presentation of our Lord" (the 40th day since Christmas). This feast remembers the day the parents of Jesus took him as a child to the Temple and presented him to The Lord, it is recorded in the Bible. As we remember this feast we keep the feast of Candlemas, (blessing the candles to be used in the coming year) celebrating the light of Christ in our prayer, in our hearts, in our homes and in our lives. So let us let the prayer inspire us in school, at home and in church this weekend, to be a light to enlighten our world, by our good works and great words! Have a lovely weekend.

St Kentigern, pray for us.

With continued best wishes, Madeline Muddoon Mrs Muldoon

Headteacher