

St Thomas Becket Catholic Primary



Please note: **We ask that parents ensure their children's choice of book character and costume is age-appropriate.**



Book Week: Week beginning 4 March 2019—theme is Heroes and Villains (dressing up day is Friday 8 March)

We are looking forward to our school being full of witches, wizards, fairies, knights, Miss Trunchbulls and whatever other fantastic characters that inspire the children to read. So get thinking about those exciting costumes.

RED NOSE DAY

Friday 15 March 2019

Mufti Day— Children can show their support by wearing something red / painting their faces (**no football shirts!**)

Please bring £1.00 as a contribution to the Red Nose Appeal.



Lenten Activities

As part of our alms-giving over lent, each class has decided on the charities they would like to support.

This is a wonderful opportunity for children to consider the needs of others and how they can show the love of God. By encouraging the children to think of others they show mercy and so they are responding as God responds, with compassion. Please help your child to find out more about their special charity so it becomes a meaningful experience for them.

Year Group/Class	Charity
Reception: Butterflies/ Ladybirds	Cafod- World Gifts
Year 1: St. Elizabeth	Trussel Trust (Food Bank)
St Joseph	Little Village Southwark
Year 2 : St. Anne	Wateraid
St.Francis	Wateraid
Year 3: St. Bernadette	Lifeboat Appeal
St.Peter	Dogs for the Blind
Year 4: St. Paul	Cafod
St. Therese	WWF
Year 5: St James	Barnardos
St. Cecilia	Barnardos
St. Martin	Barnardos
Year 6: St.Benedict	Wateraid
St. Brigid	Wateraid

Stations of the Cross

Each week our classes will spend time contemplating the Stations. The children will look at the events depicted in the station, reflect on what it means to them and write some prayers. If you would like to talk to your child about the events of the Passion then Lucille Perrotta Castro has developed a series of fourteen devotions representing Jesus's condemnation, crucifixion and burial.

These can be found at: <https://fatherbyble.weebly.com/stations-of-the-cross-for-children.html>

Please note there will be a penitential service for juniors over lent:

Wednesday 20 th March	Year 5 Penitential service
Wednesday 27 th March	Year 6 Penitential service
Wednesday 13 th March	Year 4 Penitential service

Lent

We recognise the beginning of Lent at our Ashes assembly on Wednesday 6 March. Throughout Lent the children will be reflecting on the significance of the season through:

- Stations of the Cross (exploring meaning of the stations in class)
- Reconciliation Services for Junior classes
- 'Sorry' Service for KS1 children

Tuesday 2 April Passion Play- Our Lady of the Annunciation (all parents invited– see below)

Thursday 4 April Stations of the Cross Assembly (school)

Friday 5 April Easter bonnet/hat parade- assembly

Passion Play

Our Passion Play will take place at Our Lady's Church on Tuesday 2 April starting at 2.00pm. All are welcome to attend.

Please note that, on this day, all KS2 children should be picked up from the church by parents /carers at 3.00pm



Dates for diary

Parents' Open Evenings

Thursday 7th March 2019

Thursday 14th March 2019

Croydon Dance Festival

Wednesday 20 March 2019

Passion Play at Our Lady of the Annunciation Church (Juniors)

Tuesday 2 April 2019

End of Term

Friday 5 April 2019

Mobile Phones

Please note that our school policy on mobile phones does not allow children to bring mobile phones on to the school site or into the school building.

Any phones found in the possession of children will be confiscated and will need to be collected by the parents of the child .

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

