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St Bert's News

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Family Worship

This week's Family Worship will be led by Rev Stephen Torr.

Please stay for tea and coffee in the staffroom afterwards.

Maths Booster Club

Maths Booster Club this week has been cancelled due to our annual Grandparents Afternoon. Sorry for any inconvenience caused. Classes will resume after the Easter break.

Art Exhibition

Our Art Exhibition was a great success, giving the children a wonderful opportunity to see their pictures professionally displayed and the school a chance to raise valuable funds. Congratulations to all the children for their fantastic effort - I'm sure you'll agree that they should feel very proud of the artwork they produced.

If you were unable to attend the exhibition, there is still an opportunity to view and purchase your child's artwork. Simply call in to the school office up to 10am on Tuesday 27th March 2018. Once again, thanks to all the children for their hard work and thank you parents for supporting this event.

Grand Easter Raffle



Thank you to everyone who has sent in their raffle tickets and money. If

you require any more raffle tickets, please see Gill in the office. There are lots of Easter eggs waiting to be won. The draw will take place this Wednesday 28th March 2018. Tickets priced at £1 per strip.

Egg Competition

We hope you have all been very busy over the weekend creating your Easter Egg Competition entry. There is still time if you would like to create an eggciting eggshibit. Judging will take place this Wednesday 28th March 2018.

Grandparents Afternoon

On the afternoon of Wednesday 28th March we will be holding our annual Grandparents Afternoon. Grandparents are welcome to come along around 1.30pm. There will be a raffle and brief entertainment prior to visiting the children. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available throughout the afternoon.

Change to School Dinner

This Wednesday will be our last day for a school dinner. On this day only, Zena will be serving Pizza and Chips and Hot Dogs and Chips. This lunch is open to everyone. Ordering a dinner will be kept

open until tomorrow, so if you would wish to order a dinner, please make sure you send in your money in an envelope with your child's name on it. Thank you.

Healthy Eating

St Bert's school promotes healthy eating. With this in mind we discourage crisps as part of their packed lunch due to the high fat content.

Cake Sale

KS2 cake sale takes place today and any remaining cakes will be sold after school at 3.15pm. Thank you for your support.

Downs Syndrome Awareness Day

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Downs Syndrome Awareness Day. The children and teachers looked amazing in their odd socks. Just over £200 was raised for this worthy cause.

Norton Wood Lane

Can we please ask parents to be respectful of residents in Norton Wood Lane. We have had several complaints last week regarding parents parking their cars to drop off and pick up their children thus blocking people's driveways.

Drop and Go System

As a school we offer a service whereby children may be dropped off at the school gate in the morning and supervised on the school yard. This means your child is safely delivered onto the school premises. Unfortunately, some parents are being somewhat impatient dropping their children off whilst queuing for the drop and go. They are then attempting to turn round their vehicle in the line. Could we please ask that these individuals either be patient or not use the "drop and go" system.

Handwashing

Last week Mrs Moss talked to the children about handwashing. She explained that most germs can be prevented by washing hands properly with soap and water. Could we please ask parents to reiterate the message about handwashing at home, that way we can all have a healthy, germ free, Easter. Why not take a look at <https://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/homelygiene/Pages/how-to-wash-your-hands-properly.aspx>

Gardening Club

Gardening club will begin on Wednesday 18th April for 5 weeks. This is for the groups of children who have already signed up in the Autumn term and have been waiting patiently for their turn! There are currently no more spaces for other children to join but Mrs O'Neil will try to continue the club if weather and times allow. Please bring a change of clothes, a waterproof coat with a hood and old

shoes/trainers/wellies. The children will go out whatever the weather and the club will be on every week come rain or shine!

Children should be collected from the school hall at **4.30pm (please note this is later than the usual end for clubs)** by a known adult - unless permission has been given for the child to walk home alone. Mrs O'Neil is looking forward to seeing you next term.

Going the Extra Mile

Today your child will come home with a sponsor form for the school's Lent Charity Event which Mrs O'Neil is co-ordinating. Through assembly, all the children have heard about the incredible challenge the River of Life boys undertook themselves back in September. There is already a real buzz of excitement in school about the part we will now play and how we are going to complete our laps of the school.

We would ask that over the Easter holidays you read the form and try to collect some sponsors - whatever you can gather, large or small, will truly change someone's life for the better. Thank you in advance for your support so... **Let's get collecting pounds for pounding the pavements, wonga for walking and lolly for our laps!** I know I can count on you St Bert's! Love Mrs O xxx.

Quote of the Week

"Love one another as I have loved you"

John 15:12

End of Term

This is our last newsletter before Easter. We will be finishing school on Maundy Thursday 29th March 2018 at 12.00pm, 12.30 if your child receives a free school meal. We will be attending Church for our annual Easter Service - start time 10.00am (weather permitting). All are welcome. Parents are welcome to pick their children up from Church, if they wish. Can we please ask that you speak with your child's class teacher beforehand.

All children are expected to be in school on that day.

HAPPY EASTER



Prayers

Our prayers and thoughts this week are for our two pregnant teachers who await an exciting time ahead!



God Bless!