

St. Monica's School Weekly Newsletter

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'Strive to succeed in the presence of God'

TOGETHER as a Catholic community **EVERYONE** – children, parents, staff and parish – **ACHIEVES** in their own unique way and strives to be **MORE** like Jesus.

ASSEMBLIES

On Monday, Annie Scollen a CAFOD volunteer came in and spoke to the children and showed them how their 'change for change' really does make a difference to people's lives and how people around the world can be supported through the World Gifts we have being fundraising to buy. Thank you to everyone who brought in loose change. When we come back after Easter we will count it and let you know how much was raised.

LOOKING FOR AN EASTER GIFT FOR FAMILY OR FRIENDS - BUY THEM A WORLD GIFT at

<http://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/>

PASSION SERVICES

On Tuesday and Wednesday the Juniors and Infants celebrated the end of this half term's RE topic 'Lent to Easter'. Through prayer, dance, song and drama we reflected on the Passion of our Lord. Thank you to Year 1 & 4 parents for attending.

CLASS ASSEMBLY

On Thursday, 6Y performed an assembly about their wonderful time at Manor Adventure. It was a hilarious and entertaining performance. There were also many impressions of teachers. They managed to pull it off in one day.

By Harry & Thomas

After School Clubs

Please note after school clubs (school run) will resume on the following dates:

Chess – Tuesday 21st April.

Choir – Wednesday 29th April.

Football (Year 6) – finished for this academic year.

Netball – finished for this academic year

Sewing & Knitting – Thursday 23rd April.

String Group – Thursday 23rd April

Diary Dates

- **Monday 13th April** – School resumes at normal time
- **Thursday 16th April** – Year 5 resume swimming lessons, please remember your swimming gear
- **Thursday 16th April** – Easter Mass in school for pupils and staff
- **Friday 8th May** – School discos, Infants 4.30pm – 6pm & Juniors 6.30pm – 8pm
- **Thursday 14th May** – Year 5 parents meeting at 7pm to discuss secondary transfer and school journey

GÆLIC FOOTBALL

Yesterday's Gaelic Football tournament was a big success. We entered two teams who played six games each. Both teams won five games out of six and went through to two different finals. One team won their final and the other lost by a mere two points. Everyone left wet, muddy and exhausted but a great day was had by all. Well done everyone!!

EASTER TENNIS CAMP

Conway LTC is offering its regular junior tennis activities in the Easter holidays for children of all ages and standards.

Mon 30th Mar – Fri 3rd Apr &

Mon 7th Apr – Fri 10th Apr

10.00 am – 12.00pm or 12.30pm – 2.30pm.

Contact Manni Naumann (coach) on

07741 287876 or 020 8993 4391

Dance Festival

27 children from Years 3-6 represented the school at the Millfield Theatre Dance Festival on Wednesday and Thursday nights. A huge "Congratulations" to all of them for a brilliant performance and particular thanks to Karen Borley (choreography), Angela Hoey (hair) and Catherine Nolan (crowd control).

Natural History Museum

Reception had a marvellous and exciting time at the Natural History Museum today.

SUMMER UNIFORM

When we come back after Easter we will be in the summer term and hopefully some nice weather will appear. Just a reminder of what the school's summer uniform policy is.

Boys - Grey trousers or shorts, white shirt and tie, with the option of a short sleeved white shirt also with a tie

Girls - Green skirt or green pinafore or grey trousers or shorts, with the option of a green checked dress. White shirt and tie, with the option of a short sleeved white shirt also with a tie.

Footwear for boys and girls is black shoes or black or brown closed toe sandals (of a sensible design).

NETBALL MATCH

Year 6 played in their last netball match against Firs Farm yesterday. They lost 8-6 but the girls really tried their best and enjoyed representing their school.

EASTER PRAYER

Father God, Thank you for New Life
For Spring flowers, baby chicks, new born lambs

For Spring sunshine and rain showers
Which help the plants to grow.

Thank you for the dried bulbs and seeds
which look so dead

They are springing into new life, soon they
will be beautiful.

Most of all Lord, We thank you for your
Son, Jesus,

Who suffered and died for us, on the
cross.

And today, we celebrate, that on Easter
Day

He rose from the dead.
HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

