

St John's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Please remember to visit our website which is constantly being updated -
www.stjohnskirkdale.co.uk

Issue: Spring 2 2025

Many events have taken place this term and the children have had a lovely time in the run up to Easter. Our year 4 children have begun their meetings in preparation for First Holy Communion, and Father Peter and Father Jude have been regular visitors in school. Also, your generosity and support of our charitable events is greatly appreciated by the whole school community. This half term you have raised funds for the 'Good Shepherd Appeal', 'Cafod's The Big Lenten Walk' and also 'Red Nose Day'. As always, thank you all for your support over the last term and we look forward to welcoming you all back in your summer uniforms.

Miss D Maudsley

Attendance Assembly



What a successful **Spring Term attendance assembly** we had! We had 242 pupils who received an award and special Easter prize. Well done everyone!
Keep up the super attendance.

The Beatles Museum



Year 3 had the best time at **The Beatles Story Museum!** We immersed ourselves in the Beatles journey exhibition and trailed through recreations of key locations and moments of the bands' career. We also had a great time dressing up!

Thank you to our parents/carers who attended the **Year 6 SATS information** evening - we hope you found it informative and useful. ***A reminder that Year 6 SATS will take place on the week beginning 12th May.*** As discussed in the meeting, year 6 children will be invited to a **special Year 6 Breakfast Club during this week.**

THE BIG LENT WALK



A **huge** thank you to our children, parents and carers who helped us raise a wonderful

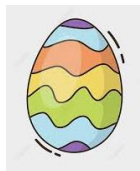
£235

participating in Cafod's **Big Lent Walk Appeal.**



Our KS2 Children attended Church and received their ashes in preparation for Lent.

St John's was a sea of Creativity with all of the Wonderful **Easter Bonnets** and eggcellent **Decorate an Egg** ideas. Well done everybody!



and even more



Balance Bikes



A specialist trainer came to St John's throughout the term to help our reception children to build their confidence in cycling. The children learned balance, co-ordination, improved their gross motor skills, and most important... they had lots of fun!



Red Nose Day



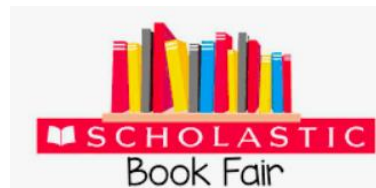
Children were welcomed to wear Red for Comic Relief this term. Once again your generosity has amazed us and you have managed to raise a whopping **£211** for charity. **Thank you all!**



Thank you to all of our parents and carers who attended our Parents Evening this half term.



St John's was full of excitement as World Book Day celebrations took over the school! Pupils dressed up as characters from their favourite books to mark the occasion. We spent the day sharing stories and discussing our favourite books.



This Spring Term we held our annual Pop Up Scholastic Book Fair. It was a huge success. Thank you to all those who came along.

Mother's Day



To celebrate Mother's Day our Year 1 Children presented a special assembly in school for their Mums, Nans and carers.

Our children were very excited to make their Mums and carers a variety of beautiful, creative cards to celebrate the day.



Eco Gardening



As part of the project **Young Marketeers** the children are growing vegetables to sell at a Liverpool one market later in the year.

Our **Year 4 Gymnastics** Team have gone from strength to strength this year. This term they have performed assemblies for the children in the school hall. They have also travelled outside of school to take part in Competitions and even came 4th in the City Finals. Well done for all your hard work and dedication!



Bikeability were back in school this Spring Term working with some of our Year 5 and 6 children. The children were taking part in the Level 2 Bikeability Course (learning to ride a bike on a public road).

Years 5 & 6 watched a **performance** called **Refuge Island**. It was a digital art and dance performance exploring female migration. The piece focussed on the accounts of three women from different countries and different times who had needed to leave their homes. A solo dancer performed a choreographed routine to audio recordings and digital displays. Following the performance, the children could ask questions about the performance and the dancer's personal experience of being a Ukrainian refugee.



Wellbeing at St John's



Our Wellbeing Ambassadors attended a workshop where they learned about **ACES**, which is all about situations that children may face which can upset them.

The Wellbeing Ambassadors then presented an **Assembly** to teach their peers strategies to overcome issues they may face in the future.



As part of Year 1's science topic, **Seasonal Change**, they went on a Spring walk and looked for signs of spring around the yard and in green spaces.

Mobile Farm Visit



Early Years loved the recent visit from Acorn Farm Animobile. Children got to pet and feed a variety animals, whilst listening carefully to the farmer who told us interesting facts about each farm animal.



Guess the name.....

Congratulations to our winners of our Guess the name of the Bunny and the Chick!



School finishes on
Tuesday the 8th of April at normal time
Children return to school on
Tuesday the 22nd of April