

# St Dunstan's Catholic Primary School

'As we grow with God, we learn from each other.'



## School News 23rd February 2024

What a busy first week it has been! Welcome back! On Tuesday evening, our Year Six Confirmandi received the Sacrament of Confirmation, completing their initiation into the Catholic faith. It was a beautiful service, led by Bishop David, fully supported by parents and the community. Many thanks to parents and sponsors, as well as the Y6 staff, for attending the masses and sessions in the lead up to this very important step in their faith journey. Children are invited to 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March to receive their certificates from Fr John.



### Collective Worship

Thank you to Miss Krucon's class who led their phase and parents in collective worship this week this week. They reminded us of the importance being patient during Lent and to be still and silent to be able to hear Jesus' message.



Mr King's class led Mass on Wednesday and sang beautifully, even without any music! Fr John asked them what they had given up for Lent, and it was wonderful to hear the children speak about giving up harsh words and actions: the focus from our whole school assembly. There is no school Mass next week. The next Mass will be led by Y2VC on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. All parents are welcome to join us.



### St Dunstan's Attendance Premier League

On Tuesday, we shared the results of the winners of the first half term for our Attendance Premier League. Four classes secured the top spot and were able to wear their own clothes as a reward, much to their delight! New fixtures have been drawn and the league table has been reset. We will continue to update you on the results each week and the league table on Twitter and on our school website.



### Punctuality

On the first day back of this half term, every child was on time – thank you! This is what is expected every day. The children that were in on time for the week before half term were entered into our lucky spinning wheel and 5 winners were drawn at random to receive their prize. We will continue to do this each week.

### World Book Day 2024

This week, you will have received a letter informing you of our plans to celebrate World Book Day. There will be lots of activities planned throughout the week, a book themed school lunch and on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, children are invited to dress up as their favourite book hero. Staff will be dressed up as villains! Your child should also have been given a book voucher which can be redeemed in most supermarkets and bookstores, so please keep a look out for this.

### Dates for your Diary

New dates have been added into Key Dates [\(link\)](#) and the school calendar on the school website. You will also find these below:

<b><u>Key Dates:</u></b>
<b>February</b>
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> – Whole School Guitar Workshop – <i>cancelled by provider. Will be rebooked</i>
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> – Y5/6 Girls Football – <i>cancelled due to waterlogged pitch</i>
<b>March</b>
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup></b> – Y5/6 Boys Football
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup></b> – 9.15am - Year 6 Parent Inspire Workshop - One parent/grandparent per child, School Hall
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup></b> – 1.30pm – Minnie Vinnies – Day of Prayer Event



<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> – 5.30pm Y3 Reconciliation Preparation Mass and Session. Y6 Confirmandi invited
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.15am - EYFS (Nursery and Reception) Parent Inspire Workshop - One parent/grandparent per child, School Hall
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.30am– Mass led by Y2VC – St Dunstan's Church
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.15am – Year 1 Parent Inspire Workshop - One parent/grandparent per child, School Hall
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.15am – Year 2 Parent Inspire Workshop - One parent/grandparent per child, School Hall
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.00am- 10.15am – Little Angel's Pre-school Group, Nursery
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.15am – Year 3 Parent Inspire Workshop - One parent/grandparent per child, School Hall
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup></b> – FOSD Mother's Day Gift Sale
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.15am – Year 4 Parent Inspire Workshop - One parent/grandparent per child, School Hall
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.15am – Year 5 Parent Inspire Workshop - One parent/grandparent per child, School Hall
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.30am– Mass led by Y1/2CA – St Dunstan's Church
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.15am Y2VC Class Assembly, Mrs Campbell's Class. Parents welcome
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup></b> – Culture Day - Wear the clothing or colour of your own culture
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup></b> – School Closed for children. Parents' Consultations 12pm-5.30pm
<b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup></b> – 5.30pm Y3 Reconciliation Preparation Mass and Session
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup></b> – 9.30am– Mass led by Y3 – St Dunstan's Church
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup></b> Wear your pyjamas to school day - £1 for St Chad's Sanctuary
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b> – Y5/6 Boys Football
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b> – 1.30pm Stations of the Cross, St Dunstan's Church. All welcome
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b> – School closes for Easter holidays at <b>3.30pm</b>

## A letter from our School Council

Dear Parent/Carers and children of St Dunstan's,

As the secretary and chairperson of the school council at St Dunstan's, we would like to inform you of some of the actions that have resulted from our meetings with our fellow councillors, Miss Thomas and the senior leaders at our school.

On Thursday 14<sup>TH</sup> March, we have organised a day to celebrate all the different cultures in our school. Children can come to school wearing traditional clothing for their culture or the colours of the country that they are from. They will be learning about different cultures at school and there will be a themed school lunch available.

On 21<sup>st</sup> March, we have planned a pyjama day where children can wear their favourite pyjamas to school and bring a donation of £1 to support St Chad's Sanctuary.

If you have any questions, please ask the school councillor in your class or your class teacher will direct you to one of us.

Kind regards,

Eva & Ada





## Stars of the Week!



## Writers and Mathematicians of the week!

	Writing Champion	Maths Champion
RecVB	Amelia S	Maeve
RecEA	Aaliyah	Clara
1JH	Yara	Elijah
1/2CA	Aoife	Daniel
2VC	Martina	Eliana
3EK	Arthur	Nia
3/4AK	Sam	Marley
4LT	Joshua	Luke
5SH	Lexi	Jacob L
5CP	Olivia	Adrian
6LD	Eloise	Aaliyah
6ZG	Oliver	Josiah