

# St Dunstan's Catholic Primary School

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



## School News 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024



Those of you who have been in to school will have seen our beautiful Lenten display in the reception area. We began our Lenten journey during half term and the children in school are being asked to reflect on the three areas – Prayer, sacrifice and helping others – during this Holy Season. As ever, Fr John and Fr Toby extend a special invite to Mass during Lent and on Saturday at the 5.30pm Mass, our recently Confirmed children are invited to receive their certificates and those children preparing for Communion and Confession, will be attending the first of their preparation Masses so we look forward to a packed church tomorrow.

Happy feast day to anyone in our community connected with Wales or any Davids!! You will receive many blessings today!

## Spring Term Parent Workshops

Thank you to the Y6 parents who attended the Parent Workshop today which was centered on keeping safe online. It was wonderful to see so many Mums, Dads and grandparents in school to work with the children.

The dates of all the workshops are on the bottom of this letter so please do check when your child's is so you can join us. Thank you to the staff who organised such a great event.



## Be on time at 10 to 9!!

Lots of prizes handed out during Mrs Keating's collective worship this week to those children who have been 'on time at ten to nine'.

Remember, the only way to be in the draw is to get here before the gate closes every morning from Monday to Friday.

Gates are open from 8.35am (earlier in pouring rain) so please do make a real effort to be here and begin the learning!!



## St Dunstan's Attendance Premier League

### St Dunstan's Attendance League Spring Term 2 – League Table

Position	Class	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	Points
1	REA	1	1	0	0	3
1	6LD	1	1	0	0	3
1	3EK	1	1	0	0	3
1	1/2CA	1	1	0	0	3
1	RVB	1	1	0	0	3
2	5CP	1	0	1	0	1
2	2VC	1	0	1	0	1
3	6ZG	1	0	0	1	0
3	1JH	1	0	0	1	0
3	3/4AK	1	0	0	1	0
3	55H	1	0	0	1	0
3	4LT	1	0	0	1	0

This is how the league table looks after week one of our attendance matches. What a match up Mr Pell and Mrs Campbell's classes were. You can see they both have one point as it was a draw but they both had an unbeatable 100%!! Well done to both classes for that remarkable effort. Reminder that the class(es) who come top at the end of the 'season' (the half term) get to have a non-uniform day as a prize – hopefully, we get lots of classes challenging for that!

## Collective Worship.

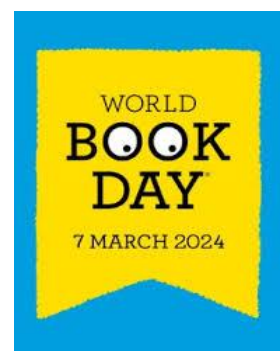
We didn't have Mass this week but we'll be back in church next week so do join us if you can. Mrs Campbell's class will be leading us in worship at the 9.30am Mass on Wednesday.

All dates for Masses are on the website.

## World Book Day – 7<sup>th</sup> March

Don't forget our theme this year is 'Heroes & Villains' and I'm sure some of you have already planned out costumes. There is a lot of talk amongst staff about what outfit they will be wearing so we're really looking forward to this day of celebration of books and reading.

Do keep an eye on our school Twitter account for pictures of the activities next week. Remember that the £1 book voucher can be used in most bookshops and supermarkets.



## Parent & teacher meetings – 15<sup>th</sup> March

Our booking system for the parent/teacher meetings is open now so please do choose a time that suits you. This is the first time we are trying this new system where the times will be some during the day and some later to suit parents who are in work. Mrs Healy will be available for those parents with a child with SEND. There will be staff here to look after the children if you need to bring them with you to school and of course there will be the opportunity to look at your child's work.



## Update on the MUGA

It seems like ages since we were able to use our MUGA but at last, the end is in sight! The foundations have been re-laid and the tarmac is close to being finished so we should be in a position to re-lay the artificial grass next week and then get playing again! It hasn't been easy to manage with so much of our playground out of action but the children have been brilliant. A special thank you to Mr Wallace who has been on hand at all hours to ensure the site was open for the workers and safe for us all whilst the work was taking place.

## Y6 Parent Meeting – 8<sup>th</sup> May @ 3.45

**Advanced notice:** There will be a short meeting for Parents in Y6 on the 8<sup>th</sup> May to discuss how SATs week will run and the details for the trip to Alton Castle. There will of course be an opportunity for you to ask questions that you may have.

Please collect your child and make your way to the main entrance where one of the Y6 staff will welcome you

## Key Dates for the Spring Term:

February
<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> – 5.30pm Y3 Reconciliation Preparation Mass and Session
<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> - 9.15am – 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>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup></b> - 9.15am Y2VC Class Assembly, Mrs Campbell's Class. Parents welcome
<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>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup></b> – 9.00am- 10.15am – Little Angel's Pre-school Group, Nursery
<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>



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## Stars of the Week!



## Writers and Mathematicians of the week!

	Writing Champion	Maths Champion
RecVB	Zak	Dunsimi
RecEA	Willow	Aisling
1JH	Jaelynn	James
1/2CA	Felix	Eva
2VC	Aurora	Dania
3EK	Penelope	TillyW
3/4AK	Marley	Ali
4LT	Breyden	Aoife
5SH	Davina	Harry
5CP	Elijah	Jayden
6LD	Pak Long	Aaminah
6ZG	Aadam	Eimear



