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Orchard Club

Opens 7.30am

Closes 5.30pm

It has been a jam-packed term, as you will see from the pictures, and although it has been busy, it has also been a very successful one for both children and staff. Everyone has worked incredibly hard and truly deserves the break ahead!

I would like to thank all the parents who attended the consultation day to work with us to support your child's learning and development—we achieved around 95% attendance, which is very encouraging. Thank you also for attending Mass, prayers, assemblies, and workshops throughout the term. We know this can mean taking time off work, and we are genuinely grateful. It means a great deal to the children and to us.

I would also like to express enormous gratitude to the staff for their dedication this term. Teaching is not an easy job, and we are very fortunate to have such a hardworking team who always strive to make school life enjoyable and meaningful.

A highlight of the term was the Y6 Confirmation service. Both Fr John and Fr Prem commented on the reverence shown by our families, and of course, the children were a credit to the school. The Y5 Passion Service yesterday was also truly outstanding.

We have been delighted to welcome four new members of the St Dunstan's family this term, with Miss Anderson, Miss Holleran and Mrs Harper all visiting with their babies. Mrs Keating has also become a regular visitor, bringing her middle daughter to Nursery and checking in to make sure I'm managing while she's away!

Next term will be a busy one:

- Y6 will sit their End of Key Stage Tests
- Y4 will complete the Multiplication Check
- Y1 will take their Phonics Assessment And Y6 have their residential trip to look forward to.

I hope you are having a blessed Lenten journey and are preparing for a joyful Easter weekend as we celebrate the Resurrection. I hope to see some of you during Holy Week. Details of services can be found on the Parish Website: www.stdunstanandstjude.co.uk/easter

Here is how next week is set out:

- **Holy Thursday – The Lord's Supper:** Commemorates Jesus' Last Supper with His disciples, including the washing of feet, symbolising service and humility.
- **Good Friday – The Passion of the Lord:** Reflects on Jesus' suffering and crucifixion.
- **Holy Saturday & the Easter Vigil:** After nightfall, the Easter Vigil begins—one of the most significant liturgies of the year.
- **Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of the Lord:** Celebrates Jesus' victory over death and marks the beginning of the 50-day Easter season.



Housekeeping reminders.....

Summer uniform

When we return, children are invited to wear the Summer Uniform if they choose to. The agreed uniform policy must be followed.

White polo shirt with embroidered school logo **or** white hard collar shirt and school tie

Grey tailored school trousers or knee length shorts or knee length grey skirt

Red/maroon full gingham school dress (**no skorts or playsuits are permitted**)

Boys and girls must continue to wear their usual black school shoes, no flashing lights.

Shoulder length hair must be tied up at all times.

No jewellery is not permitted.

Break time snacks

Please don't send your child in with crisps and biscuits to eat at break time, they aren't allowed. Fruit is usually available for children should they wish to eat something.

Items from home

Unless agreed with senior leaders, we don't allow children to bring in toys and stationary from home as it can cause issues in the classroom and on the playground.

Welfare checks

If your child is absent for three days or more, we are obligated to conduct a welfare visit. These are DFE expectations of the school to improve attendance, not 'St Dunstan's' rules. Please don't be offended if our staff phone to arrange a visit.

School lunches

Please remember to order your child's school lunch even if your child is entitled to free school meals. Dinners can be ordered well in advance and menus are available on our website.

School reopens on the 13th April - We look forward to seeing everyone then.



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Year 6 Confirmation





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World Book Day





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St Patrick's Day





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Reception and Nursery Stay and Pray





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Class 4 Assembly





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Food Donations





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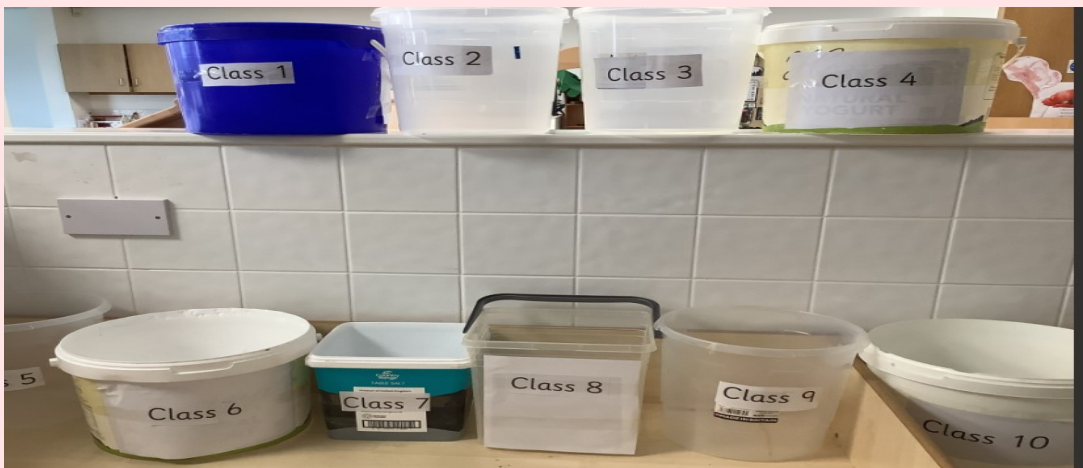
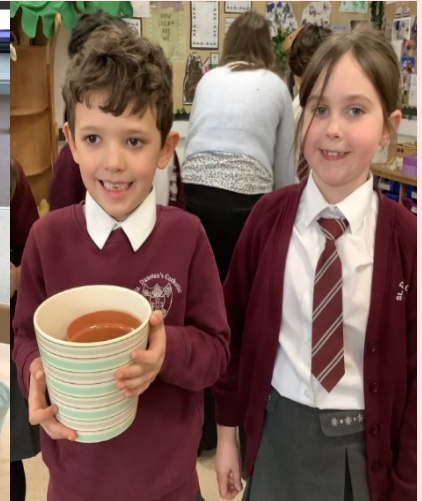


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School Council – Stewards of the Earth





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Inspire Workshops





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Malympics





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World Day of Prayer





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A Lenten Welcome





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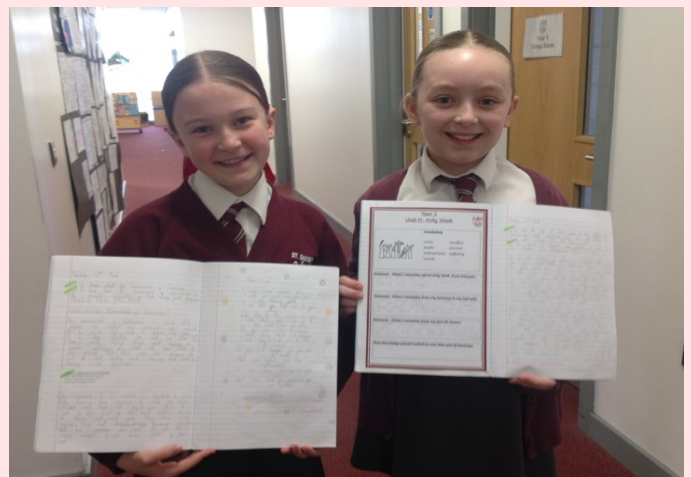
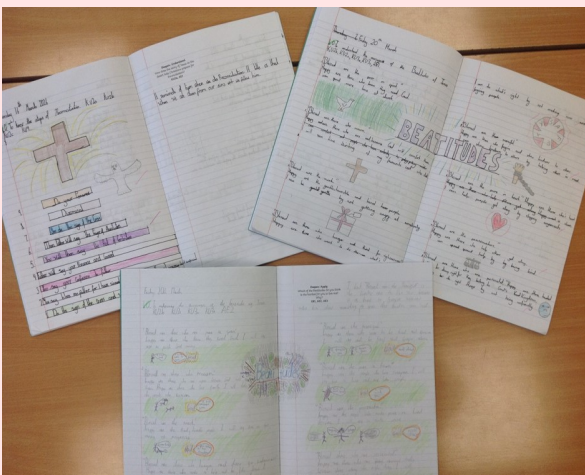
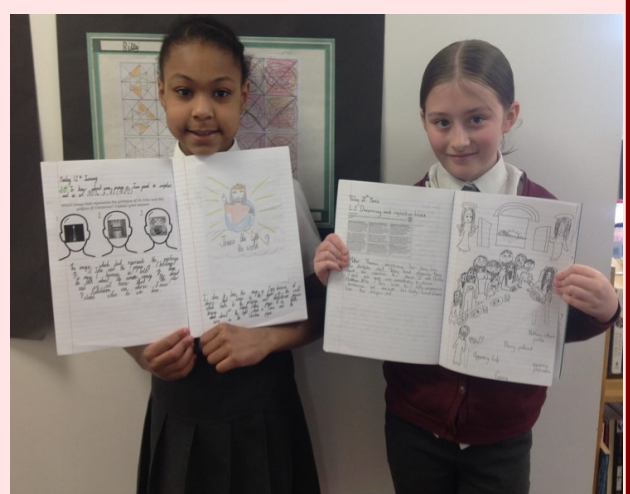
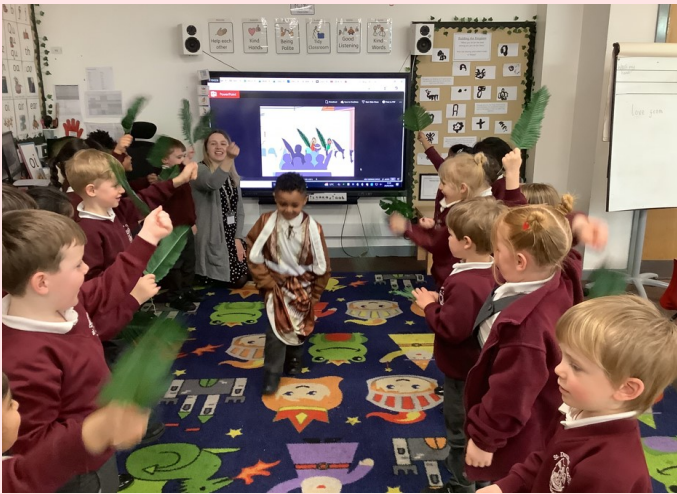
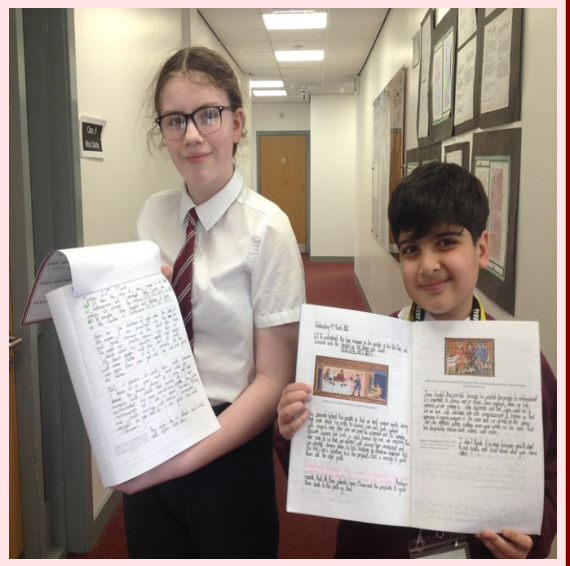
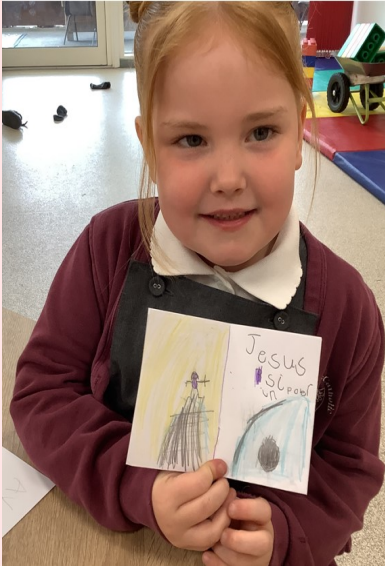


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Amazing RE work





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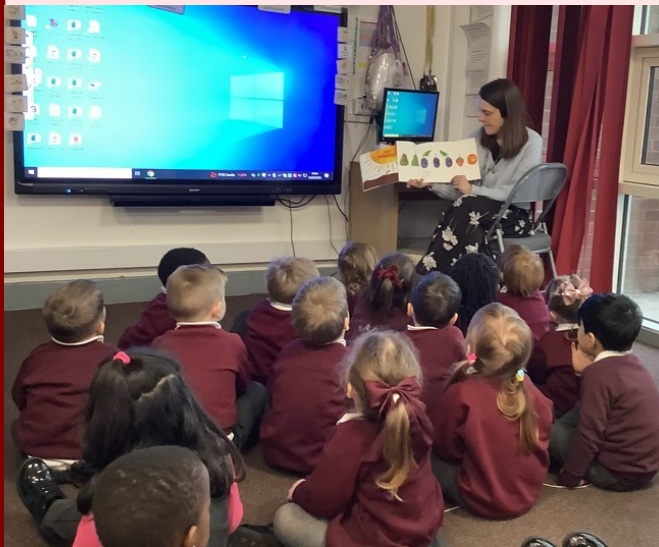
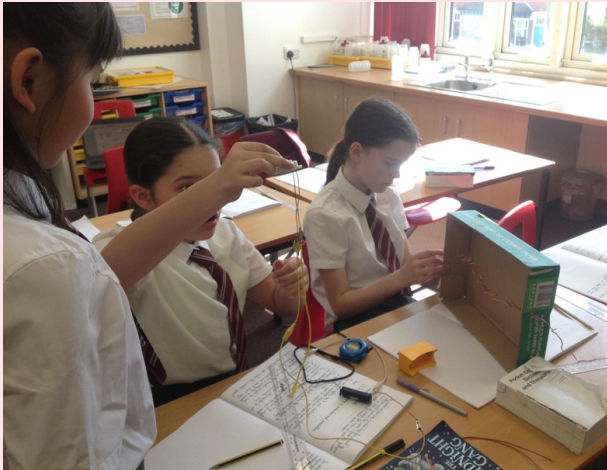


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Science - enjoying our learning





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The Passion Service





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Wellness Wednesday





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Sports Competitions





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The Orchard Club held an Easter competition to decorate Easter Eggs. They then asked staff to choose their three favourites. The three eggs with the most votes win an Easter egg.



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Easter Egg Raffle

Well done to our Egg Raffle winners - we hope you enjoy!!

