

Parent Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all safe and well and enjoying the lovely weather. There are a number of items of school news to update you on.

Parents' evenings (apart from Y2 and Y6) have now taken place. Please remember that the appointments are for 5 minutes and be mindful that other parents are waiting. Apologies to those parents who were kept waiting last night. A short report will be sent via email to any parents who didn't attend.

Stations of the Cross. The children in Year 3 and Year 4 creating a "living" stations of the cross in the garden this afternoon. They did a brilliant job of acting out the stations and doing the readings. It was a really prayerful and reflective experience for all of us. Thank you to all the children and Miss Syeda, Miss Timperley and Mrs Booth for organising it for us.

RSE (Relationships and Sex Education)

The government has made this statutory for primary schools this year. We will be incorporating it into our curriculum during the summer term. We consulted with you about this in November. Our policy is linked here if you wish to read it. We have bought into the Catholic scheme recommended by the Diocese called "Life to the full." We will send you a link to the parent portal for this via email so you can look at the resources.

Breakfast club increase

From Monday 12th April the price for breakfast club will be £2 per day. Please pay in advance via SIMs pay. The prices for Afterschool club will go up in September (they are considerably subsidised by school at the moment).

Packed lunches

If you send grapes into school, they must be sliced in half vertically for children in EYFS and KS1. Whole grapes are a well documented choking hazard as detailed here: <https://www.capt.org.uk/news/why-are-grapes-so-dangerous>

Lunches need to be nut free – we have a pupil in school who is allergic to nuts. As many of you know, accidental ingestion of nuts or nut particles can lead to anaphylactic shock, which can also be fatal.

Uniforms

As the shops open, some families might be buying new shoes or uniform. Please refresh your memory with regards to our uniform policy. Please remember children must wear be shoes not trainers i.e. not be a sports brand or have a sports logo. Please also remember that long hair must be tied back for school and hair accessories should be red or black (bows no bigger than 5cm) – Fancy hair accessories are always welcome on own clothes day.

Easter Break

Although this has been a very short term for our children who returned on 8th March and those who had to isolate last week, it has been great to be all back together again. Thank you to all our families for supporting the school and staff by keeping our Covid measures. Thank you also for the many positive comments which have been fed back to us. School finishes at 1.30pm tomorrow and reopens on Monday 12th April.

Wishing you a happy and holy Easter,