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Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another to be the best we can be.

Dear Parents/carers

This week the children attended Mass for Ash Wednesday. As always their behaviour and contribution to the service was outstanding. Thank you to all who attended. During this period of lent, we will be continuing to help the children to prepare for the great celebration of Easter. We try to make Penance a positive act so rather than giving something up, we encourage the children to actively show they are trying to be more like Jesus - perhaps by helping at home, being more patient with others, doing what they are asked the first time! *We are having a purple Tuesday during Lent where your child can wear a splash of purple alongside the remainder of their usual school uniform and give a donation of 20p or more Caritas.*

Caritas Assembly

On Monday Merial from Caritas will be talking to the children in assembly about the St Joseph's Penny collections and supporting the work of our caritas Ambassadors in school and the wider work of Caritas.



Congratulations to Mrs Curphey a PTA member on the birth of Ruth Mae on Saturday weighing 7lb 2oz. We welcome her to the SSMJ family and look forward to meeting her.





St. Michael & St. John's Ladies group are holding a Colours Fashion Show and pop up shop in the Social Centre on Wednesday 22nd March at 7.30 pm. Proceeds in aid of Derian House Children's Hospice.

Ex High St. fashions at 50% or more off - M & S. Wallis, New Look, Oasis, Topshop, Next, clothing available to try on and buy - payment by cash, cheque & cards.

Tickets £5 from Carol. 01200 426769 or Janet at the Presbytery.

Limited number of tickets available - so don't delay!



World book day

Thank you for supporting World book day. The children looked fantastic in their outfits. Even the staff looked the part. You managed to raise £ 92.00 towards the picnic benches and bike stands.



Cystic Fibrosis Amelia Cup Run

Sunday 19th March. Registration from 10.00am first run starts 10.30am

☪☪ RUNNING4CF FUN RUN ☪☪

A fun-filled family day dedicated to raising funds to find a cure for Cystic Fibrosis. Events on the day include:

- THE ONE MILE DASH: first past the post with prizes for fastest male and fastest female
- THE YELLOW RUN: a one mile fun run with the winner's gong going to the runner with the most creative use of Yellow in their kit.
- THE LITTLE LEGS: a one mile run, especially for under 10's
- THE SPACE HOPPER RELAY: teams of 4 boinging their way across the castle field on bright yellow space hoppers!

Entry on the day will be by way of £10 minimum donation or sponsorship (£25 for families).

Feel free to enter as many of the events as you are eligible for.

As the inspiration behind the original Every-Day-Come-What-May challenge, Amelia Dickinson is the reason Running4cf exists. However, years before we even got started, she was already inspiring people to raise funds for CF through running with the original Amelia Cup: an annual race dedicated to CF fundraising.

For more information, comment on this post or contact:

- Gail Bailey: 07980743610
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Grand Assembly

Thank you to the Grand for a wonderful assembly on Thursday. They re-enacted characters out of books to link up with world book day.

PTA KS1 Film Night

Thank you, for helping to raise £94.00. Today was the KS2 film night which again was a great success. Thank you to all involved who helped make these film nights possible.



High 5

Congratulations to the team from year 5 and 6 who competed in a high 5 game in our friendly league on Monday at Oakhill. We won 1, drew 2 and lost 1.

Attendance

We have noticed a small rise in dentist in doctors appointments through the day or leaving early. Please where possible can these non -emergency appointments be made outside of school time. The reason behind this is that during school time the children are in class. Taking them out early not only disrupts the lesson for the teacher but also means that the child doesn't get to finish the work they were doing and may not have the chance to catch up.

The children are start working at 9.00am after register and are still working at 3.25pm. We appreciate your co-operation with this.

Parents evening

Please make sure you send your reply slip in so that the teachers can allocate your appointment times.

This week in attendance

Well done to years 1, 2 & 6 for 100% attendance.

There were 275 minutes in late arrivals.

REMEMBER - EVERY MINUTE COUNTS!

Dates for your diary

Monday 6th March - Science Quiz night at St Augustine's High School 7.00pm

Wednesday 8th - Mass for Vocations at St Joseph's Blackburn - all welcome. Our Pupil Chaplains will be leading the post communion reflection.

Thursday 9th March - Year 6 Tag Rugby

Friday 10th March - PTA meeting 1.45pm - all welcome

23rd March - Purple day for Epilepsy

Thank you for your continued support