



# TUESDAY NEWS

Headteacher: Mrs A Haines  
Deputy Headteacher: Miss S. Burgess

12th March 2024



## Catholic Life and Collective Worship

Yesterday in worship, we explored John's Gospel reading which was a conversation between Jesus and a Jewish teacher named Nicodemus. In it, Jesus referred to himself as the light from God that has come into the world. We talked about how we can choose to either walk in the light by being strong and making good decisions or we can walk in darkness by being weak and making bad decisions. We set our mission for the week: to be like Jesus and make good decisions



Our theme this year throughout Lent is:  
**We Walk With Christ to the Cross**

Stations of the Cross



Every Thursday at 8:30am, we will visit two or three of the Stations of the Cross in the small hall. This is just 10 minutes before the start of the school day for children, parents and staff to come together in prayer and reflection as we prepare for Holy Week. It would be lovely to see you all there.

Our Mini Vinnies have been working hard to organise some weekly fundraising events to support the annual Good Shepherd Appeal in aid of Catholic Care, which Bishop Marcus asks us to support. The donations which Catholic Care receives through the Good Shepherd Appeal are vital to enabling the Charity to respond to the ever-increasing needs of our neighbours living in our own communities. Fundraising will take place each Friday as follows:

Friday 15th March – Wacky hair day/wear purple to school day – £1  
(Children can do one or the other or even both if they wish!)  
Friday 22nd March – Easter bonnet competition – £1 to enter

**PLEASE NOTE: DONATIONS CAN BE MADE VIA PARENTPAY UNDER 'Lenten Fundraising'.  
Many thanks.**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Mini Vinnie's Spring Cafe on Friday and for all the donations of buns and cakes. They made a wonderful £77. Well done and thank you!

On Wednesday, 27th March (our last day of term), children in Y4 will lead a whole school full Stations of the Cross in the large hall. Our Children's Choir will lead the singing and everyone is invited to attend.



Children from Y3 are making their Sacrament of First Reconciliation tonight in church. Please keep them in your prayers.

*Dear Lord,  
We thank You and praise You  
for giving us the sacrament of  
confession. We ask You to  
bless and prepare all who will  
soon make their First  
Confession.*



## COMING UP SOON...

Tuesday 12th March, 6pm

Sacrament of First Reconciliation in church for children who have been doing their preparation with Mrs Heppleston.

Friday 15th March

Wacky hair day/dress in purple day  
More info above.

Monday 18th March,  
3:30pm-5:30pm

Parent Consultations (except Y5)

Tuesday 19th March,  
1pm-7pm

Y5 Parent Consultations

Thursday 21st March  
3:30pm-7:30pm

Parent Consultations (except Y5)

# Together we are exploring our special gifts; Together we are growing towards God



CONGRATULATIONS to Dua in Y3 for receiving Mrs Haines' Headteacher Award for such a wonderful role model to others. Dua is always ready, respectful and safe. She is a wonderful Mini Vinnie, who always shows care and compassion to others.



WELL DONE to all our Class Merit Winners last week



FS1: Lucian

FS2: Alleyna

Y1: Fraser

Y2: Alfie G

Y3: Alfie

Y4: Abigail

Y5: Kaleb

Y6: Eve

## NOTICES



### Spring Music Concerts

On Monday 25th March, we will be holding two Spring Music Concerts – one for EYFS and KS1 and one for KS2. These are very popular events and so we now split them to be able to accommodate everybody for comfortably.

EYFS/KS1: 9am

KS2: 2:15pm

Children will perform pieces they have been practising from their curriculum Music lessons, including instrumental and singing. There will also be performances by some of the children who have been having small group instrumental lessons with Jazz from YACAD at lunchtimes.

We look forward to seeing you there.

### Staffing Update

Miss Breen, one of our Reception Class Teachers is leaving St Francis at Easter to take up a post in a school which is much closer to her home. Mrs Whitley will be taking over Reception Class full time, once Miss Breen has left. We thank Miss Breen for all her hard work over the seven years she has been at St Francis and we wish her the very best of luck in her new job. We know this will make a huge difference to her young family.

Day	Date	Time	Year Group	Event
Friday	15th March	N/A	All	Wacky hair/dress in purple fundraiser
Monday	18th March	3:30-5:30pm	All (except Y5)	Parent Consultation Evening
Tuesday	19th March	1pm-7pm	Y5	Y5 Parent Consultation Evening
Wednesday	20th March	11:30-12:30pm	Y6	Come Dine With Me
Thursday	21st March	3:30-7:30pm	All (except Y5)	Parent Consultation Evening
Friday	22nd March	N/A	All	Easter Bonnet competition
Monday	25th March	9am	EYFS/KS1	Spring Music Concert
Monday	25th March	2:15pm	KS2	Spring Music Concert
Wednesday	27th March	9am	Y4 and whole school	Stations of the Cross
Wednesday	27th March	N/A	All	Break up for Easter holidays
Monday	8th April	N/A	All	School reopens

### Parent Consultation Evenings

Parents evenings will take place on Monday 18th March from 3:30–5:30pm and Thursday 21st March from 3:30–7:30pm. As always, there will be opportunity for you to look through your child's books before having a 10 minute appointment with your child's class teacher. Bookings will open tonight at 7pm and will close on Friday 15th March at 2pm with the exception of Y5 bookings which will close on Monday 18th March at 2pm.

## LAST WEEK IN SCHOOL....

### Y4 Come Dine With Me

Thank you to all the parents/carers who came along to enjoy a delicious roast dinner with the children and also have a chance to see them in their learning.



## World Book Day

We had a fabulous World Book Day – children dressed up as their favourite book characters or wore pyjamas for a bedtime story. Lots of activities took place in school. Our Reading Ambassadors were very busy delivering surprise books to classrooms and delivering a whole school assembly all about the importance of reading.



PFA Spring Disco  
It was a fantastic turn out for both spring discos last week. Thank you to everyone for supporting this event and thank you to the PFA for organising it.

## Premier League Assembly

Last year the school was awarded a new girls' football kit in recognition of the work being done to promote girls' participation in football. On Tuesday, 3 players from Bradford City ladies presented the kit, held a Q+A and had a kick about with the Y6 class. The girls then wore the kit at the national girls event on Friday at Goals!



# OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN TO EXPLORE THEIR SPECIAL GIFTS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL...

**JU:MP Dance Timetable 2023/2024**  
Sessions run term time only and break for school holidays.

Day	Location	Times	Ages
Monday	Cafe West, Wanstead Cres, BD15 7PA	5.00 - 5.45 6.00 - 6.45	4 - 7 years 8 - 14 years
Tuesday	The Gateway Centre, Thackeray Rd, BD10 0JR	4.00 - 4.45 5.00 - 5.45	4 - 7 years 8 - 14 years
Wednesday	St James Community Hall, Beaufort Grove, BD2 4LG	4.00 - 4.45 5.00 - 5.45	4 - 7 years 8 - 14 years
Thursday	St Bede's & St Joseph's Catholic College (Ignis Site) Cunliffe Road, BD8 7AP	5.00 - 6.00	4 - 14 years
Saturday	Bolton Woods Community Centre, Livingstone Road, BD2 1BD	10.00 - 11.00	4 - 14 years
Sunday Aft (one session)	Zara Sports Centre, Thorn Lane, Bingley Road, BD9 6NA	12.30 - 1.30	5 - 14 years

First session is FREE £2 per session after  
For more information contact Laura JU:MP Dance  
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## JU:MP DANCE

### GIRLS SESSIONS!

JUMP IS HERE TO INSPIRE, ENERGISE AND SUPPORT OUR CHILDREN WITH FUN DANCE SESSIONS, WORKING ON A DIFFERENT RANGE OF DANCE STYLES TO GET YOU GROOVING!

**SUNDAY AFTERNOONS DURING TERM TIME STARTING 5TH OF MARCH 2023**

WHERE: Zara Sports Centre - Thorn Lane, Bingley Road, Bradford BD9 6NA

TIME: 12.30pm - 1.30pm

FIRST SESSION IS FREE. £2 per session after

FOR GIRLS AGED 5 - 14 WEAR COMFORTABLE CLOTHING, bring your own WATER BOTTLE

For More INFO call LAURA LIDDON on 07779801013 or email LAURA.LIDDON@BRADFORD.GOV.UK

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**THURSDAYS DURING TERM TIME**

WHERE: St Bede's & St Joseph's Catholic College Ignis Site, Cunliffe Road, Bradford, West Yorkshire, BD8 7AP

FIRST SESSION 15th June 2023 TIME: 5.00pm - 6.00pm

FIRST SESSION IS FREE. £2 per session after

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**EVERY MONDAY**

WHERE: Cafe West, Wanstead Crescent, Allerton, Bradford BD15 7PA

TIME: 5.00pm - 5.45pm - 1st session for AGES 5 - 7/8  
6.00pm - 6.45pm 2nd session for AGES 8 - 11

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