

The Messenger



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm sure we are all ready to celebrate the joy of the Easter season. Our Lenten Mass and Y5 assembly on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week were the highlights of this very special Holy week.

The children sang beautifully for the mass with a new hymn, with Y1 supporting with Makaton signing. Y5 delivered the Easter story in their assembly beautifully and with great reverence and energy! The encore of 'Blinded by Your Grace' captured all of the children's talents, especially Henry and Jake's rapping! Wow!

Last week we celebrated 'Neuro-diversity week' with a wonderful assembly on Wednesday. Amelia and Arthur (both Y5) delivered a presentation on ADHD. They spoke and presented so well, answered questions from other pupils and did so, so well as to how they manage their own challenges daily. They were inspiring for us all!

British Science week enabled all of the children to become scientists and work on a crisis discovered by Mrs Schauer-which biscuit is the best to dunk in your tea? Having filmed and caught staff dunking and biscuits crumbling the crisis emerged...which would be the best? After week long research each class carried out their own investigations to find the answer to this crisis. Your children, I'm sure have shared the results. 😊

Wishing you a peaceful, happy and Holy Easter Season.

E J Byrne

Mass times and services at St Gabriel's Church	
Holy Thursday 28 March	7:30pm Evening mass of the Lord's supper and watching till 9pm
Good Friday 29 March	11:00 am Children's Stations of the Cross 3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Holy Saturday 30 March	7pm Mass- Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday 31 March	11am Mass

Forthcoming Dates	
March	
Thurs 28	Maundy Thursday. School closes for Easter
Fri 29/Sat 30/Sun 31 Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Sunday (clocks go forward!)	
April	
Mon 15	School opens for Summer Term
Wed17-Fri 19	Y5 visit Standon Bowers Outdoor Ed Centre
Thurs 18th	Swimming starts for Y3, Y4 and Y5 (25 th) every Thursday.
SAT 20	PRE-SCHOOL OPEN MORNING 9-11am
May	
Sat 4	Holy Communion Mass 10:00
Monday 13	KS2 (Y6) SATs Week
Thurs 23	School closes for Half Term
Fri 24	School INSET (School Closed)
June	
Mon 3	School opens
10 June	Phonic Screening Week Y1
17-21	Sports Week
Wed 26-Fri 28	Y4 visit Savio House (residential)
July	
Fri 19	School closes for summer

NB: Change of INSET day for 24-25. New date: 6th January 2025 school will be closed.

November 4th (previous INSET) school will now be open.

If you have any outstanding invoices for this term, please could you make payment before we return on the 15 April. Thank you.

HOT DINNERS WILL RESUME AFTER EASTER. This will be the current Week 1 menu. If you have not been refunded there will be a credit issued for next term. We apologise for any inconvenience here.

Fundraising news...

The book fair recently raised a magnificent £750 to be spent on books for school... which will be so well received. Thank you!

The NSPCC non uniform day for children's mental health week raised £188.70 and the magnificent turn out for 'Mad scientists' brought in £136!!! Thank you all so much! A huge effort!

Our Easter disco raised a massive £622. All these efforts will help go towards some exciting curriculum days ahead of us in the summer term. Thank you!

The auction fundraiser raised over £500 for school also- what a huge effort. Thank you to Wendy Brooks for organizing this event, and for all that contributed prizes and bought tickets on the night, and for our parents who continually support the fundraising events with their time and commitments. Thank you.



Will you be able to support CAFOD on the BIG Lent Walk? 200km over the 40 days... JUST how far can we all walk together? [CAFOD's Big Lent Walk is fundraising for CAFOD](#) We've still to register our first donation...lets get sponsored, let's get walking!

St Gabriel's Parent Survey 2024

Results from our recent survey are included with this newsletter email. Thankyou for taking the time to respond. We see this as an important part of the yearly cycle to gather and collect your views. They were really well received, thank you.

ALSAGER FOODBANK: Donations welcome into school again (Reception) for this much needed cause. Thank you!

Please ensure **haircuts** do not break the uniform policy. Lines, fashion cuts, dyed colours are not permitted. Thank you. <https://www.stgabriels.cheshire.sch.uk/page/uniform/14535>

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Wishing you all a happy and
holy Easter Season!!!