

St Gabriel's Newsletter 15 March 2022



The Messenger



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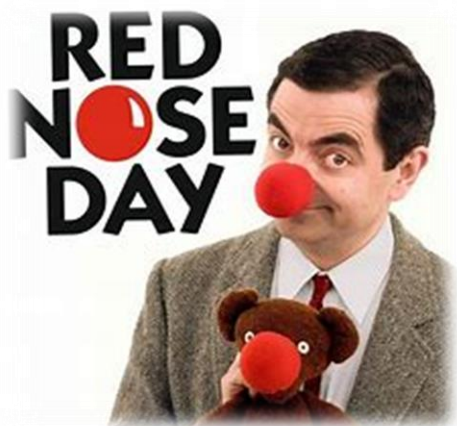
'Nurturing Hearts and Minds'

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have entered the season of Lent, preparing for the coming celebration of the risen Jesus at Easter. During this very special season we are all taking time to reflect on all things in our lives, both locally and the wider world. A time we are using to pray for peace. We are also preparing with our Year 3 children who will be taking a big step in their journey to the Eucharist this week by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They do this on Wednesday 16th in church.

We are also embarking on a programme to take all of our children to visit St Gabriel's church. For two years we have been unable to celebrate mass in school collectively and only now can we remind our children of how special our church is. Fr Tony and Deacon Eddie have been brilliant in giving their time weekly in talking with the children whilst they have been looking at all of the objects/instruments found in church allowing the children to explore all around them. So far the children have been wonderful in their questions and obvious reverence.

We would also like to hold a simple non uniform day before the end of term to support the aid effort for Ukraine. Details will follow.



This Friday we will be hosting a non-uniform day in aid of comic relief. Calling all superheroes...(in your costumes) or wearing anything red, pupils are invited to take part whilst bringing in £1 and having just a jolly fun day too!

Forthcoming Dates for diary

2022	
Monday 14 March	Y2 visit St Gabriel's church
Wednesday 16 March	Sacrament of Reconciliation (children in Y3 who are making their Holy Communion)
Thursday 17 March	St Patrick's Day! Class/group/team photographs. Make sure PE Kit in school. Smart and tidy as always!
Monday 21 March	Y6 visit St Gabriel's church
Thursday 31 March	Whole school children's mass
Friday 1 April	School closes for Easter
Easter Sunday 17 April	
Tuesday 19 April	School opens
Monday 2 May	May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 9 May	SATS Week (Y6)
Saturday 14 May	Holy Communion Mass
Wednesday 25 May	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Lunch
Friday 27 May	School closes
Monday 6 June	School opens



'Curl up with a book...'

Our World Book Day adventure to 'curl up with a book' was a huge success. All of the children played their part in dressing up for the day. Mrs Stevenson led an assembly with the children celebrating the wonder and enjoyment of all things 'books'.

REQUEST: We are looking for a 2 hob lightweight electric stove to use in school if anyone is looking to dispose of one (in the loft or garage)? Just contact Mrs Stevenson in the office if you are able to help. Many thanks.

CHICKEN POX INFECTION: We are experiencing several very recent cases of Chicken Pox in school. Please be aware and vigilant. Thank you.

BREAKING NEWS

CHAMPIONS ALERT!

1. **St Gabriel's won the Alsager School's basketball** tournament last week at Alsager School! They were joint 1st in the league table and we had to have a play-off game AND a 'penalty shoot-out' type competition at the end and were victorious throughout. What an achievement!
2. **The Netball team** took part in the Finals at Sandbach High School last Wednesday and were amazing! Winning both games in their group took them through to the semi-finals, which ended up being against Excalibur. It was an extremely close game and at the end of the first half we were winning 5-3! We ended up losing 7-5 but they should be so proud of themselves as they showed such determination throughout and their progress as a team was incredible. We are all very proud!

Such great team performance and effort from our pupils... St Gabriel's are BACK!

'Funny Tuesday'

Q. What did the triangle say to the circle?

A. You're pointless! (Mrs Schauer 😊)

Q. How does the moon cut his hair?

A. Eclipse it.

To share your joke just write it down with your name and class, hand it in to your class teacher or Mr. Byrne. If you can make him laugh... there's a good chance you may get your name on the next newsletter!



OUR TOP 3



Sleeping TIPS

1. Routine

A good bedtime routine can benefit everyone – not just young kids. Going to bed and getting up at the same time every day!

2. No Tech

Turn off tech: if you use your phone as an alarm, turn off notifications or set “do not disturb”.

3. Tidy Up

Try to keep your bedroom as tidy as possible: clothes away, dirty cups in the dishwasher and tidy your working area. Clutter can contribute to feeling stressed and worried.

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