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## This Week's Gospel (John 12:20-33)

As Easter draws ever closer, last Sunday's Gospel reminded us of how Jesus described His own death. He saw it not as an end but rather a beginning. He foresaw how His death would be the start of man's salvation and He accepted His fate in the glory of God's name.

## Extracurricular Clubs & Coffee Morning Next Week

Just a roundup of **ALL** the Before and After School Clubs next week:

Monday: **Morning** - West Ham United Club and Hockey, **Afternoon** - Cheerleading

Tuesday: **Morning** - Archery, **Afternoon** - **NO CLUBS**

Wednesday: **Morning** - Fencing, **Afternoon** West Ham After School Club & Boosters

Thursday: **Morning** - Tennis Icon Club **and Coffee Morning from 9:15am**

**SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1:30PM ON THURSDAY**

## New Security Gate



You may have noticed an extra layer of security has appeared in the past couple of days! If you wish to enter the school you now have to press the  symbol on the keypad by the front gate and the office staff will let you through! To get back out again, you will need to press the big grey button just outside the front door.



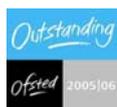
## Brilliant Club

It's time for the children chosen for the Brilliant Club to begin their journey along the path of discovery! Over the next few months the children will be attending a launch day at St Bonaventure's, followed by a visit to Goldsmith's University. They will then have a series of university style tutorials and will then have to produce a degree type essay to present to their tutor. They will finish by having a graduation ceremony, which is scheduled to take place in Oxford Town Hall. Lots of hard work ahead!



## Communion Classes

As you will have seen above there will not be a Communion Class after school this week. However Fr Sean has asked us to remind you that **ALL children attending Communion Classes MUST attend mass this Sunday and bring their books with them.**



## Lenten Cafod Appeal



Just to thank you for your wonderful contributions so far. We would like to request that all money being given in for our Cafod Lenten Appeal be brought into school before the Easter Break commences to enable us to send it off as soon as possible.

## Stephen Hawking

Following his death last week, ironically on what would have been Albert Einstein's 139<sup>th</sup> birthday, Mr McGinty nominated Professor Hawking to be the fourth St Winefride's Icon. The posters are in all classes and also outside the DSCR and in the main Hall. Please take the time to read them or ask your children what they have learnt about him.



## Easter Activities

- 🍌 The Year 4, 5 & 6 children will have the opportunity to attend confession on Monday next week.
- 🍌 There will be an Easter Bonnet parade in Reception on Tuesday and we are looking forward to seeing the wonderful creations, those brought in so far are fantastic!
- 🍌 There will be our usual Easter Egg raffle at the Governor's Assembly on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March, every child who brings a £1.00 in - please hand the money to your class teacher - will be entered into their Class' section of the raffle to ensure everyone has a better chance of winning!
- 🍌 The Annual Bunny Easter Fun Run is on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March on the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park (Timberlodge café). It is purely a fun run for all ages and abilities and everyone receives a medal and goody bag. Please see the posters around the school.
- 🍌 Year 6 Challenge. Some of the Year 6 girls will be challenging their parents to a series of events on 20<sup>th</sup> April in the afternoon. Keep an eye out for the posters!

## Science Week



Science week was a great success. Pictures of the exhibition will be posted on the website soon and also in the next newsletter.

## Commemorating the Great War

As we are sure you are aware we are approaching the centenary of the end of World War I. At the time it was called the Great War or the war to end all wars as it was so horrific. Unfortunately this has not proved to be the case. To help mark this solemn occasion our Governors, led by Miss Monaghan, are asking you to contact us if any of your relatives fell during the hostilities between 1914 and 1918. A local historian is going to help us find any former pupils who may have perished but we would like to include anyone with a link to the school in any capacity, so please do get in touch.

## This Week's Prayer

Please join with your children in saying this prayer;

*Dear Father,*

*We all face trouble in our daily life. Instead of asking you to take them away, let us ask that you help us to face those troubles in such a way that your name will be glorified. In Jesus' name we pray,*

*Amen.*

*God Bless You,*

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