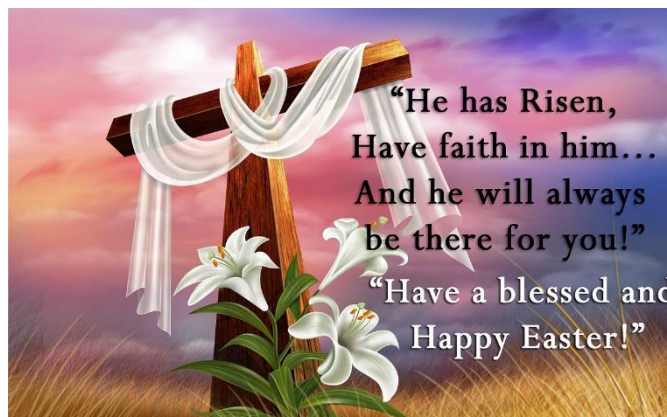
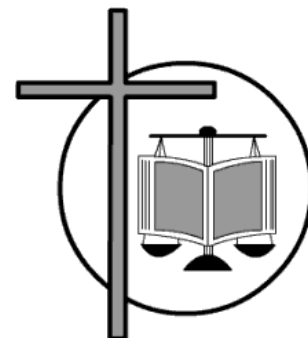


ST FRANCIS DE SALES CATHOLIC INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

"We walk, learn, love and smile together with Jesus"

Newsletter 28th March 2024



"Attend today and achieve tomorrow."

| | 19-Feb | 26-Feb | 04-Mar | 11-Mar | 18/03/2024 | 25-Mar |
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| Spring 2 | | | | | | |
| Reception | 94.4 | 93.3 | 93.6 | 93.9 | 95 | 97.7 |
| Year 1 | 98 | 95.2 | 96.3 | 97 | 96.6 | 97.9 |
| Year 2 | 96 | 95.4 | 96.8 | 96.1 | 96.8 | 97.1 |
| Total | 97 | 95.3 | 96.55 | 96.55 | 96.7 | 97.5 |
| Rolling % | 95.5 | 95.5 | 95.5 | 95.75 | 95.8 | 95.9 |

Well done to Aspen and Cedar with 99%, Laurel and Maple with 98.7% and Hazel, Willow, Holly and Oak with 97.5% !!!

The children have really enjoyed our Easter initiative – there was lots of excitement at our Attendance assembly this afternoon as the winning names were drawn! I hope you enjoy your well-deserved prizes! A huge well done to all the children who achieved 100% attendance and a huge thank you to all our parents/carers who continue to support our drive for full attendance.

Holy Week

During this special week, we have been preparing for the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday. Each day this week we have gathered as a school family as Year 2 led us in reflection, prayer and song. On Monday, Silver Birch Class helped us to remember Palm Sunday. The children all made their own palms which we waved and we sang 'Hosanna', to re-enact Jesus' welcome into Jerusalem. On Tuesday, we remembered Maundy Thursday and Jesus sharing his last supper with his friends. Hazel Class showed us how Jesus washed the feet of his friends and shared bread and wine with them. Holly class led us in prayer on Wednesday as we remembered that Jesus died on the cross on Good Friday. Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us in Church this morning, when Oak class reminded us how Jesus rose again on Easter Sunday. Special thanks to Mr Townley for leading and accompanying the children in their beautiful singing.

Please go to the Catholic Life page on our website for pictures of our Holy Week services

<https://www.stfrancisdesalesinfants.org.uk/re-and-catholic-life/catholic-life-of-the-school>

Parish Links

Fr Ged would like to extend a welcome to all parishioners. Easter services are as follows:

The Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday 28th March – Joint parishes Mass at St. Monica's – 7.00.pm (With washing of feet)

Good Friday of the Passion of The Lord - 29th March (Collection for Holy Places) 3.00.pm.

Holy Saturday, 30th March – Vigil Mass of Easter 7.00pm. Mass – Frank Smith, RIP (Ann.) / Katrina Craig (Spec. Int.) / Prayers for Peace of Mind (Lou Fam).

Sunday, 31st March – Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of The Lord 11.00.am. Mass – Sarah Radford, RIP (Ann.) Mary Whiteside, RIP

PLEASE NOTE: MASS ON HOLY SATURDAY IS AT 7.00.pm.

Please check the Parish newsletter for all details <https://www.stfrancisdesales-walton.co.uk/>

Easter Activities

I think the Easter bonnets this year have been the best yet! Thank you for channeling your creative talents everyone! The children were fantastic during the parade – please see the Website for lots of pictures.

Easter egg hunts, Easter bingo and Easter biscuit decorating also took place today. Thank you to Mrs Lavelle for organising these events.

School Meals

Next half-term's menu is now on the Website for you to have a look at. Please encourage your child to have a school lunch – they are delicious and nutritious. If your child is a 'picky eater', please speak to your class teacher and we will do all we can to accommodate their needs.

Summer Uniform

When the children return to school on 8th April, they may wear their summer uniform - white polo shirt with grey shorts or green checked dresses. Shoes may be white or black but they must have a closed toe. No jelly shoes or open toed sandals please as they can cause trips and falls.

Reception Health Screening

The School Health Team would like to inform you of the Healthy Child Programme Universal Core Service commissioned offer. Children in reception are offered screening to test their distance vision, hearing, height and weight. Please see additional Newsletters sent today or the parent/carers section of the website.

Easter HAF Clubs

Mr M&M will be running a HAF club at school over the Easter holidays – you will be contacted if you are successful in obtaining a place. Liverpool City Council have also sent information through to school about other HAF clubs that will be running during the holidays. Please see Liverpool Parenting Newsletter below for details:

Liverpool Parenting Newsletter- Spring Edition

You will find new information to support Parents/ Carers, Families and children in Liverpool this Spring. With information regarding events and activities taking place during school holidays and information on new services, courses and parenting support on offer, running from April to June 2024.

<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/9G12d8qVvbzRhVTc?ref=Link>

Liverpool Family Information and SEND directory

The Fisd provides a wealth of information about local services available to children, young people and families across Liverpool.

The **Families** section contains information about Childcare and links to Childcare providers (Day Nurseries, Childminders, Breakfast and After-School Clubs, Holiday Clubs), as well as information about wider Family and Children's support services across the city.

The **SEND Local Offer** is specifically for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).

The **Start for Life** section contains anything and everything a family might need to know from conception until the time their child turns two years old. This includes information on infant feeding, child development, relationships, and much more.

<https://fisd.liverpool.gov.uk/kb5/liverpool/fsd/home.page>

School Crossing Patrol on Hale Road- Letter from Liverpool City Council

This is to inform you that the school crossing patrol stationed outside St Francis de Sales Junior school on Hale Road has resigned to take up a full-time post, she will not be returning after the Easter break.

We will therefore have to start the recruitment process again for this location and continue for the second vacant post at Hale Road / Carisbrooke Road. I have therefore attached the flyer and letter for parents and guardians.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Mrs Melia

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 28th March - School closes for the Easter break at usual times

Monday 8th April- Start of Summer Term 1

Laurel and Maple are Wednesday 10th April visit to EFC

Ash and Willow are Thursday 11th April visit to EFC

Dates may change due to unforeseen circumstances.