

St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2020



Thursday 30th January 2020

THE WEDNESDAY WORD

This week's Wednesday Word is **HOPE**. The aim of the Wednesday Word is to help in sharing the Sunday Gospel with families whose KS2 children attend St Richard's and thereby enrich our Home, School & Parish partnership. We hope that you will spend some time sharing the story of the Presentation of the Lord (this coming Sunday's Gospel) at home this week.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2020

We are delighted that the sacramental programme (leading to the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion) for most of Year 3 and some of our Year 4 children and their families commences tonight. We have a workshop in school starting at **6pm this evening** (lasting an hour) for all the pupils who have already signed up for the Sacramental Programme. Then, we have a special initiation mass for all these children and their parents at **5pm on Saturday 1st February** at St Richard's Church.

The next workshop after this evening's will take place in school at 6pm on Thursday 19th March, followed by a celebration in school on the morning of Friday 20th March and then mass in St Richard's Church on Saturday 21st March at 5pm. Please make sure these dates are in your diary.

Please remember in your prayers all the children and their families who are about to embark on the sacramental programme this year.

RECEPTION'S VISIT TO THE LIBRARY

On Thursday last week, both R1 and R2 went to the library. Ethan writes, 'We went on the mini-bus to the library and read some books, then we went back to school. I had a lot of fun.' Hillary writes, 'Today we went to the library. We read a book. We chose our own books. I love the library.'

YEAR TWO'S GREAT FIRE OF LONDON WORKSHOP

Idris in Class 3 writes, 'On Thursday 23'd January all of the Year 2 children took part in a history workshop about the Great Fire of London. We pretended to travel back in time. We met a survivor who told us all about the Great Fire. Year 2 brought Pudding Lane to life! We acted out a scene at Thomas Farriner's bakery and how people tried to put out the fire. We had an amazing time!'

PUBLIC HEALTH ENGLAND INFORMATION:



A new infection has been detected in Wuhan, China

(Novel Coronavirus)

If you have been to Wuhan, China, in the last 14 days and develop **ANY** of these symptoms, contact a healthcare professional



If you develop symptoms within 14 days of travel to Wuhan, please stay indoors and avoid contact with others where possible. Ring 111 or call your GP and tell them that you have travelled to Wuhan, for free advice and treatment.

ROAD WORKS ON THE A57 HYDE ROAD

As I am sure you are aware if you come to school by way of the A57 in Gorton, it is currently subject to extra congestion due to roadworks. Please be mindful of this and plan in extra time for your journey to school so that your child(ren) always arrive on time and are always picked up punctually at the end of the day.

YEAR FOUR'S WATER EFFICIENCY WORKSHOP

Laraib in Class 7 writes, 'I found our Water Efficiency Workshop on Wednesday 29th January to be very interesting and fun. It was educational and I learned lots of new things, for example: the two flushes on the toilet and for half a bath it takes 80 litres of water.'

YEAR 6 BASKETBALL BUDDIES

Neelofer in Class 13 writes, 'On Tuesday evening, some Year 6 pupils and I were taken to St Peter's RC High School for a basketball tournament with seven other schools. The teams were tough to beat but we managed to win 3, draw 1 and lose 1. The team that defeated us in the final was St Francis' – and they were really good. I was the top scorer but I couldn't have done it without my team-mates and the support of my teachers.'



WHAT'S ON:	
Thursday 30 th January 2020	Sacramental Programme Meeting 6.00pm – 7.00pm in school hall
Saturday 1 st February 2020	Sacramental Programme Mass 5.00pm-St Richard's Church
Monday 3 rd February 2020	Start of Children's Mental Health Week
Tuesday 4 th February 2020	Year 4 History (Romans) Workshop
Wednesday 5 th February 2020	Year 4 History (Romans) Workshop
Thursday 6 th February	Class 4's Assembly (9am in school hall)

RECEIVING THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

It is vitally important that parents receive and read the newsletter every week. It can be accessed on the school's website every Thursday afternoon and a small number of paper copies will be available in the school office after school on Thursdays - but parents will have to come in to request a paper copy on a weekly basis. If you wish to receive the newsletter every week by email then simply send:

- 1. Your full name
- 2. Name(s) and class(es) of your child(ren) at our school
- 3. Preferred email address
- The message 'I consent to school using my email address in order to send me a copy of the newsletter each week of term'.

to $\underline{\text{comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk}} \text{ and you will be} \\ \text{added to the mailing list.}$

With many thanks for your continuing support,

Mr J Murray

Headteacher St Richard's RC Primary School