



St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2024



Thursday 14th March 2024

The mission of St Richard's is that we know, love and follow Christ by looking after each other and trying our best every day.

SPRING TERM PARENTS EVENINGS

Many thanks to everyone who attended parents' evenings this week. We hope that you found your meeting to be very useful. It was lovely to see everyone. We thank you for the ongoing support that you provide to your child(ren) in all aspects of their learning.

FOOD WASTE REDUCTION WEEK

Food Waste Reduction Week is next week, from 18th - 24th March. We are getting involved with this as part of our commitment to Climate Education. Parents can play a big part by encouraging their child(ren) to eat all their lunch, in order to reduce waste. Many thanks in advance for your support.

RETURNING ST JOSEPH'S PENNY BOXES

Many thanks for your continuing efforts to fill the St Joseph's Penny boxes. Please continue to fill up the boxes until Easter and bring them back to school after the Easter break. All your efforts are truly appreciated.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST FORGIVENESS

The next Sacramental Programme meeting is this evening, Thursday 14th March, in school at 6pm. This meeting is the final preparation for the children before they receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Forgiveness) tomorrow in St Richard's Church. Please remember all these families in your prayers at this special time.

YEAR 6 SATS DATES 2024

This year the Year 6 KS2 SATs will take place between **Monday 13th May 2024 – Thursday 16th May 2024**. During KS2 SATs Week, pupils will sit 6 different tests and it is vitally important that they are in school for all of these tests and are ready to do their very best.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES 2024

Congratulations to Class 3 for their wonderful assembly earlier today – many thanks to all our mums, dads and other carers and relatives who were able to make it to any of our class assemblies so far this year. Class 7 will be holding their class assembly at 9am on Thursday 21st March. As always, parents and carers are warmly welcome to attend.

RAMADAN MUBARAK

We wish all our Muslim families a holy and successful Ramadan, as it commenced last Sunday. We respectfully suggest that no child below Year 6 fasts. Even with Year 6 pupils, we want parents to be aware that this year, Ramadan falls during very important weeks of the school year and that the absence of fluids in particular could have a negative effect on your child's performance and concentration in school. If you do decide that your child at St Richard's is fasting this Ramadan, please send a letter to your child's classteacher to say so or please phone the school office as soon as possible so that staff in school are aware of this. Many thanks in advance.

YEAR 1 PHONICS INFORMATION SESSION FOR PARENTS

We are holding a Year 1 (C1 and C2) Phonics Information Meeting in St Richard's Hall starting at 2.45pm on Wednesday 20th March. All Year 1 parents should attend this meeting if they are able to in order to find out how you can support your child to make the best progress possible in their early reading and phonics.

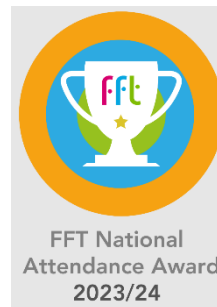
HAVE YOU REGISTERED YOUR CHILD TO START NURSERY IN SEPTEMBER 2024?

If you have a child who was born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021 and you would like them to attend full time in the Nursery at St Richard's RC Primary School from September 2024, then please contact the school office as soon as possible for an admission form. Your child will be added to the waiting list for admission to our Nursery class in September 2024. Places are in high demand and offers are starting to be sent out very soon.

WEDNESDAY WORD ONLINE

This week's edition of the Wednesday Word is available by visiting <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/follow?pid=MTA101634&v=123.5>

Reading the Wednesday Word is a great way to prepare for Easter during Lent. This week's Wednesday Word is **FOLLOW**



EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE AWARD FOR ST RICHARD'S

I am delighted to report that, as a result of everyone's efforts, St Richard's received a nationally recognised Good Attendance Reward recently. This is for the 23/24 academic year so far. Well done everyone and thank you for recognising the importance which good attendance plays in ensuring the continuing wellbeing and academic progress of the children at our school.

END OF TERM AWARDS ASSEMBLIES

Parents are also very welcome to attend their child(ren)'s end of Spring Term Awards Assembly. Details of these are below:

Monday 25th March	Nursery and Reception end of term awards assembly in main school hall at 9am (parents welcome to attend)
Tuesday 26th March	Year 1 and Year 2 end of term awards assembly in main school hall at 9am (parents welcome to attend)
Wednesday 27th March	Year 3 and Year 4 end of term awards assembly in main school hall at 9am (parents welcome to attend)
Thursday 28th March	Year 5 and Year 6 end of term awards assembly in main school hall at 9am (parents welcome to attend)
Thursday 28th March	Pupils break up for Easter
Saturday 30th March	Easter Vigil Mass at St Richard's RC Church (time TBC)
Monday 8th April 2024	Pupils return to school

With many thanks for your continuing support

Mr J Murray

Headteacher
St Richard's RC Primary School