



St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2024



Thursday 7th 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.

WORLD BOOK DAY 2024

World Book Day 2024 took place today at St Richard's. We marked the occasion in style this year. There were some amazing costumes (from staff as well as pupils!) and I wanted to say a big thank you for everyone's efforts in reminding us about the importance (but also the fun and excitement) of reading. Miss Broadbent went round the classes today with certificates (and a small prize) for the best three poster competition entries from each class. Well done to everyone who took part – there were some amazing posters.

RETURNING ST JOSEPH'S PENNY BOXES

Many thanks for your continuing efforts to fill the St Joseph's Penny boxes that came home just before we broke up for February half-term. 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.

SPRING TERM PARENTS AFTERNOONS/EVENINGS 2024

All of our Spring Term 2024 Parents Afternoons/Evenings will take place on either Monday 11th March or Tuesday 12th March 2024. Five-minute appointment times will be available between 1.15pm and 6pm. These will be face to face meetings in school with your child's class teacher. School Cloud will be used – but just for booking appointments. More details are below.

Most EYFS and KS1 Parents Afternoons/Evenings will take place from 1.15pm – 6pm on Monday 11th March 2024 and will take place in the main school hall for Mrs Kelly's Nursery children, Reception 1 (Miss Dimond's) and Reception 2 (Mrs Wade's).

Class 1 (Miss Carr's), Class 2 (Miss Ahmad's) and Class 3 (Miss McKnight's) will take place in St Richard's Hall on Monday 11th March.

Key Stage 2 Parents Afternoons/Evenings will take place from 1.15pm – 6pm on Tuesday 12th March 2024. Mrs Fildes' Nursery Parents Evening and Class 4's (Mrs Ormshaw's) Parents Afternoons/Evenings will also take place on Tuesday 12th March.

These meetings will take place in the main school hall (for Miss Smith, Mr Sullivan, Mrs Ward, Mrs Fosbrook and Mrs Toal) and in St Richard's Hall (for Mrs Ormshaw, Miss Meade, Miss Miguel, Miss Khan and Mrs Varley). Mrs Fildes will be in a room close to the main hall. No children should attend the evening sessions, as we will not have a crèche facility in operation.

Once you have received your letter, please visit <https://strichardsrc.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

In order to book your appointments. **The appointment booking window will close tomorrow at noon.** Changes to appointments or new appointment requests will not be possible after this date. Any problems with making bookings please contact the school office.

CLASS 9's D&T VISIT TO ST PETER'S RC HIGH SCHOOL

Last Thursday, Class 9 were invited to our feeder high school, St Peter's RC High School, in order to take part in some Art as well as Design and Technology lessons. Miss Smith asked some of the class for their feedback. Amaan said, "I enjoyed it a lot. We made cake and it was really fun. I'd give the day a 10/10 because we got to eat the cake we baked." Rumaysa added, "I enjoyed Art because we made an Easter chick. We also got to listen to music whilst we were working." Miss Smith reported that the teachers at St Peter's also reported that Class 9 from St Richard's were the politest and most well-mannered children they have had and that they can always tell when St Richard's children visit their school. Well done boys and girls!

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/self-giving?pid=MTA101634&v=121.5> is now back to the usual weekly version. This week's Wednesday Word is **SELF-GIVING**

MOTHERING SUNDAY

This coming Sunday (10th March) is Mother's Day. We remember and thank God for our wonderful mums – as well as all those people who stand in for them. We hope that everyone enjoys a truly lovely Mothering Sunday this year.



WAKE UP WEDNESDAY

National Online Safety (NOS) have created free online safety guides for schools to share with parents and carers. This campaign is called '#WakeUp Wednesday'. At St Richard's we provide a link most weeks to a different topical e-safety issue so that parents and children are better informed and able to make better choices about their computer and internet use. This week's edition of Wake Up Wednesday is a timely repeat and is about what children, young people, parents and carers all need to know about **HOW TO COMBAT ONLINE BULLYING**. Please read more [here](#)

CLASS ASSEMBLY DATES SPRING 2024

Below are details of which class assemblies are coming up this half-term. They all begin at 9am in the main school hall. Parents are very welcome to attend their child(ren)'s class assembly. Details of other class assemblies will follow as soon as possible.

Date	Class assembly for:
Thursday 14th March	Class 3
Thursday 21st March	Class 7

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