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This week has been a time for us to reflect on the events of Holy Week culminating in a whole school retreat day today.

It has been a short but very successful half term – the children have lots to be proud of. This term alone we have enjoyed World Book Day, National Science Week, the Big School Clean,

lots of sporting events, Year 3 residential, various visits and visitors into school and lots, lots more. As always, thank you to you our families for your continued support. I hope you have a wonderful Easter and we look forward to welcoming the children back after the spring break on Monday 15th April.

Monday 15th April – Children return to school Tuesday 16th April – 3:30pm to 4:30pm – Year 6 Tutoring **Friday 19th April** – 9am – Parent Coffee Morning with Kowala Monday 22nd to Wednesday 24th April – Year 5 Residential to Colomendy





We heard the lovely news this week that Mrs Brooks has given birth to a beautiful baby boy....Roman John Brooks. Mum and baby are doing really well and his big brother Finn is delighted with his new little brother. I am sure you will all join me in congratulations Mrs Brooks and her husband. I am sure that Roman will bring them many joys and blessings.

We look forward to meeting Roman in person after the Easter holidays when Mrs Brooks has promised us she will pop in to visit!

Our card reader in the office is now fully functional so you can now pay for items such as uniform with a card if you prefer.



New Prices after Easter - Unfortunately, due to rising costs and inflation, there will be an increase in Toast Club, After School Club and Dinner prices (this increase is made by Edsential our provider). The new charges from 15th April are -Toast Club is £1.80

After School Club £7.50 **Dinners £2.89**





Summer Term Clubs will start week beginning 29th April. A new timetable of clubs will be sent out the first week back after the holidays and places will be given on a 'first come, first served' basis.

Thank you to all those who have donated football kits to our 'Kit Aid' Project. If anyone has old football kits that children may have grown out of, we would be delighted if you will please donate them to our growing pile. The kits will be taken to developing countries and will be given to children.





I was delighted to see this gorgeous photo from the Palm Sunday parish mass. Deacon Pat loved to see the Polish palms that three of our children made to mark Palm Sunday. Well done Iga, Sophie and Igor.



Upton Hall have asked us to share the following with parents/carers.

Entrance Examination Application Form for parents whose daughter will be Year 6 in September 2024, is available on our website in the Admissions section click 'Arrangements for Admissions – September 2025'. The deadline for applications will be strictly adhered to which is 12 July 2024.

This week in school... Nursery Class have been reading 'What The Ladybird Heard'. They have been making some beautiful artwork, completing jigsaws, and recognising animals and the sounds that they make. F1 enjoyed looking for Easter eggs in Forest School. They had to look



up high, underneath things and follow the clues to find them. Once all the clues were given they sat down and had a yummy chocolate egg as a reward.

Thank you to all the Foundation 1 parents who joined us for our

Stay & Play session yesterday. It is always a joy to see how happy the children are to have family members join them in their classroom and how excited they are to show all the things they like to do in school.

Thank you also to all the parents that

attended the 'Oracy' Come and Share session in F2 yesterday. The children enjoyed discussing whether they prefer to go to the beach or cinema, using 'because' to give reasons for their ideas and asking each other questions to get more information.



Mr Hayward was so proud of these two young ladies and their sporting achievements. Well done girls and keep up the hard work! Our Year 5 and 6 Eco Warriors had a fantastic time at the Wirral Wide Eco Council Water Meeting. They learnt about pond

conservation, went pond dipping and even created their own mini ponds to bring back to school! Year 5 had an amazing morning visiting the farm at Woodchurch High School. They used their



classification skills to identify the scientific names of the animals. Year 3 enjoying their first game of Shuffleball with Mr Hayward.









In F1, the children have produced some beautiful art work after learning about the important meaning behind the symbol of

the cross at Easter time.

In F2, they have enjoyed making palms and singing 'Hosannna' as they waved them.

Today we have celebrated a whole school retreat day.



In KS1, the children have enjoyed acting out the events of Holy Week. In KS2, they have split into mixed class groups and thought about the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on a donkey on Palm Sunday and what the qualities of a good leader are before then making their own palms. They have looked at 'The Last Supper' and have shared a passover with their friends.

They also thought about 'Good Friday' from different peoples points of view, for example, Jesus', Pilates, the soldiers etc.

There are lots of pictures on X so please do have a look.







Year 3 have yet again got the best attendance this week. Keep it up! F2 - 91.9% Y1 - 95.3% Y2 - 96.8% Y3 - 97.8% Y4 - 92.9% Y5 - 90.1% Y6 - 92.5%





Easter Sunday is the greatest day in the Church's calendar. This day reminds us that Jesus, the Son of God, offers each one of us a share in his everlasting life and eternal happiness. All are warmly invited to come and join with the church community this Sunday and celebrate the hope that Jesus' resurrection brings to our lives. The times of the various Masses and Services happening in our Parish are as follows –

Maundy Thursday (28th March) - 7pm Mass at St Joseph's Church, Birkenhead Good Friday (29th March) – 3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion at St Michael's Church Holy Saturday (30th March) – Easter Vigil - 8pm at St Michael's Church Easter Sunday (31st March) – 9:30am Mass at St Joseph's Church, Birkenhead Easter Sunday (31st March) – 9:30am Mass at St Michael's Church

Enjoy your spring break everyone, Mrs Ralph

