

It is hard to believe we are already at the end of the Spring Term; the year is flying by! We have had a wonderful week in school getting ready for Easter with the children taking part in lots of different activities and prayer and liturgy times.

After the Easter Break, I will send out a full list of key dates for the Summer Term. We are hoping that now we are allowed a greater sense of "normality", we will be able to include more trips and visits. We are very much looking forward to the Year 5 and Year 6 residentials that are both taking place next term. Please make sure you have made a note of key dates.



MONDAY 25th APRIL – Children return to school
25th April to 27th April – Year 5 Residential to Colomendy
Monday 2nd May – BANK HOLIDAY
Friday 13th May – History Workshops
Saturday 14th May – First Holy Communion Mass - 11am
Tuesday 17th May – Y5 Floral Pavillion - 'AmaSing Show'
Friday 27th May – Break Up for Half Term

Year 6 SATS testing will take place week beginning 9th May 2022.

****All Year 6 children must be in school****

Year 2 SATS testing will take place weeks beginning 16th May & 23rd May 2022. **All Year 2 children must be in school**



SUMMER UNIFORM - After the Easter break, children may wear summer uniform when they return to school. This consists of grey shorts and summer dresses. On PE days, children should continue to attend in PE kits.

Water Bottles - As the weather turns warmer, please remember to provide your child with a **water bottle** on a daily basis. This can be any type of bottle. We have bottles available to buy in the school office for 30p per bottle.



Year 3

#GreatBigSchoolClean

PIC-COLLAGE

This week across the school, the children have taken part in the 'Great Big School Clean' which was organised by Miss McCallion and our Eco Warriors. The 'Great Big School Clean' encourages children from schools across the UK to pledge to collect bags of litter to help change our world for the better. We have learnt if every child who attended school in the UK pledged to pick up just one bag of litter during the Great Big School Clean, we could remove 10.3 million bags of litter from our natural environment. What a difference we would make if everyone took part!

We received a lovely email from a local neighbour who saw the children collecting litter in the local community. She praised the children's positivity and enthusiasm for the job. It was wonderful to hear such nice feedback and hear how the children are making a big difference!



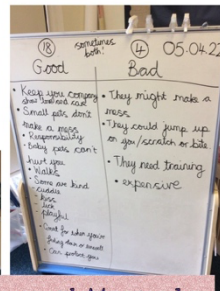
This week in school this week.....In the 2s room they have enjoyed a range of Easter crafts.

The EYFS

children enjoyed a very wet afternoon in Forest School looking for bugs and generally enjoying the mud!



Talk on Tuesday debate
Are pets a good thing or bad?



I agree with Marni and I would like to add that we need to add more detail to interest the reader.

In 'Talk on Tuesday' the Year 1 children had an interesting debate where they illustrated their opinions before sharing them with the group. In Year 2, their 'Talk on Tuesday' debate was about whether pets are a good or bad thing. Year 2 were working on their 'building' skills, building on from what one child says to develop the debate.

In 'Little Angels' the children enjoyed making Easter wreaths with Miss Oana.



Yesterday, Mrs McNulty

led the school in a special Lenten Retreat Day where the children thought about the events of Holy Week. Our Key Stage 2 children began the day in Church with a lovely service led by Deacon Pat and Deacon John.

The children have thought about the events of Palm Sunday and the happiness and joy that was felt when Jesus entered Jerusalem. They have also shared a Passover Meal and thought about the Last Supper Jesus shared with his friends and the significance of the Passover Meal and the different foods that were eaten.



We have also thought about the events of Good Friday through drama. They have discussed how Jesus, his mother and his friends must have felt on this sad day. The children have also worked in groups to create some wonderful banners that will be displayed in school. The art work retells the Easter story. Thank you to Mrs McNulty for organising such a beautiful day and to the children and staff for making it such a great occasion.

Enjoy the Easter break, Mrs Ralph