



St Patrick's Catholic Primary Academy Newsletter March 17th

Word of the week

SACRIFICE



This week's work of the week has been '**Almsgiving**'

Next week's work of the week is: **Sacrifice**

Next week we will be thinking about the sacrifice that Jesus made for us. His death and resurrection are at the heart of our faith and they are the reason we have our school and church today. We are called to make sacrifices too, not necessarily to give our lives, but maybe to give our time, or our love, or our compassion. Think about the people who make sacrifices for you and what that means to you. Think about how you can make sacrifices for others this week.

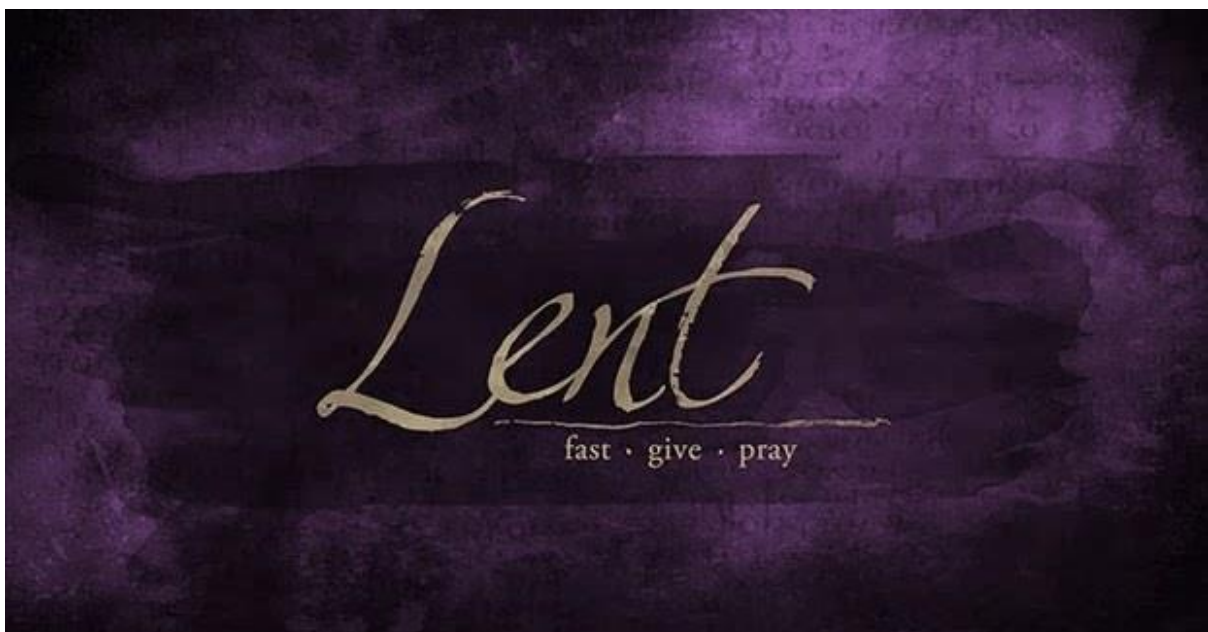
St Patrick's day

- Today, we celebrated the feast day of our patron saint by sharing in Mass. Fr. Marc celebrated a beautiful Mass, planned by our Y5 school chaplains, under the direction of Marsha and Luke - Hub Chaplains - and Miss Caudwell. Our chaplains in Y4, 5 and 6 led the liturgy today, where visitors, governors and the whole school celebrated Saint Patrick. We prayed to our patron for continued inspiration on ways to live out our school mission statement.
- We spent the rest of the day learning about our patron, as well as fundraising for our house team charities at the mini market. Once again, we are so incredibly proud of our children and so grateful to you all for your heartfelt support with all of our school initiatives. What a perfect end to our week of Almsgiving! Thank you all.

Thank You Mr. Hutton

- During the Mass, we prayed and celebrated Mr. Hutton, who is retiring from our Governing Body after so many years of dedicated service. Mr Hutton has been an asset to the school and wider parish life for so long and we can't thank him enough for his tireless dedication. We know you'll join us in thanking him and we will all continue to keep him in our prayers in his retirement. Our most sincere and heartfelt thanks, Mr. Hutton.

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Upcoming Events

Week 5

Buddy Mass EYFS/Y1 – Tuesday 21st March

Whole school mass led by Y6 – Tuesday 28th March

Stations of the Cross – Friday 31st March 9am

Important dates

Please continue to use the parent calendar for key dates in school.

[Parent Calendar](#)

Changes to dates for All Saints transition- All Saints had previously advertised the transition dates, these clashed with our Y6 residential and they have been rearranged and are now as below.

Tuesday 11th July – Day 1 Transition

Wednesday 12th July – Day 2 Transition

First Holy Communion





Dates for Holy Communion Sessions- Sessions take place in school from 3.20-4.20pm.

- Monday 20th March
- Monday 27th March
- Monday 17th April
- **Sunday 23rd April – Preparation Mass 11am St. Patrick's Church**
- Monday 24th April
- **Sunday 14th May – Preparation Mass 11am St. Patrick's Church**
- Monday 15th May
- Monday 22nd May

Swimming





Swimming will continue for Y4 next week. Please make sure your child has their kit on Monday morning.

Year 6 Football Tournament



This week, our Y6 pupils were meant to have a football match against another school however this was cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. This did not deter our Y6 pupils though who decided to have an inter-school competition instead. It was a really close game and the children showed great sportsmanship in difficult, rainy conditions. A big thank you Mr Foulkes, for refereeing the game and to Miss Whelan for her organisation.

Parent Voice Group



Please use the link below to express your preferred date and time for the next parent voice group.

Anyone is welcome to join this group and support St Patrick's through your parent voice.

[Parent voice form](#)

RSHE Parent Consultation



RSHE

As part of the review and parental consultation of the RSHE Curriculum, please take time to review and provide feedback on the following key decisions, then provide feedback via the link. Feedback is welcomed until Friday 24th March.

The key decisions which have to be made by school, in consultation with parents, can be accessed by visiting the Parent Consultation Tool - section 4 - Key Decisions (click link)

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/courses/parent-consultation-tool-primary/>

If you would like to make any comments regarding the key decisions please click on the link below which will take you to an online form to complete.

[RSHE consultation form](#)

Governor Recruitment



We are currently recruiting for new Foundation governors to join our Local Governing Body. Our governing body meets once per half term to discuss all aspects of school life. If you would be interested in considering joining the governors, then please contact Mrs Smedley via the office for an informal conversation.



In partnership and prayer

Mrs J L Smedley