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8.4.2022

Dear families of St. Kentigern's,

Nursery/Reception Gate

Unfortunately, we had to close the gate from the main playground into the Reception area this week. It was not possible to provide notice of this as it was in response to a safety concern that arose at the end of the school day, after the bell had rang, and it needed to be addressed immediately. The safety of our children is our highest priority. This gate will now be permanently closed. Please do not lift your children over the fence. To make it easier for families in the Early Years playground, we will ensure that bagels are available for our younger children in the area close to both the Nursery and Reception entrance.

Polling Day

Polling Day takes place on **Thursday 5th May** and our Acorns provision will be used as a polling station. This means that the **Acorns will be closed** all day on the 5th May.

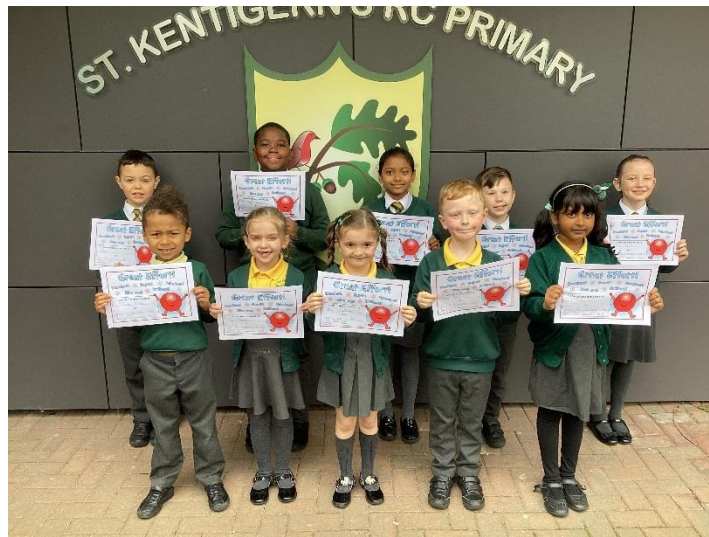
Easter Bonnet Parade

Our Nursery, Reception and Key Stage 1 children will take part in the Easter Bonnet Parade on the morning of **Tuesday 12th April.** Further information will be provided by the class teachers via Seesaw.

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History in our lifetime

Children in KS1 and 2 volunteered to present their research relating to key events that happened in their lifetime. They ranged in topics from Nelson Mandela and the impact of his death, to Premiership title wins. The children were able to explain why they chose their topics and what impact these historical events had on their lives. Well done to all who took part.



CAFOD fundraising



Well done to everyone who raised funds for CAFOD. The response has been phenomenal and we very much appreciate the support you have given to your children in gaining sponsorship. The children completed their walk this week (in

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all weathers!) and so we would be grateful if all sponsor money could be brought into school by Tuesday 12th April. Every penny counts!

Key Stage 1 Palm Sunday Assembly

On Friday, the children in Years 1 and 2 helped to prepare us for Holy Week with an outstanding Palm Sunday assembly. Our children never fail to impress and astound me with their talent and reverence. Thank you to our brilliant families for supporting their children so well.



Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening will take place on **Thursday 28th April 2022**. Opportunities to sign up for time slots will be made available nearer the time. The meetings will

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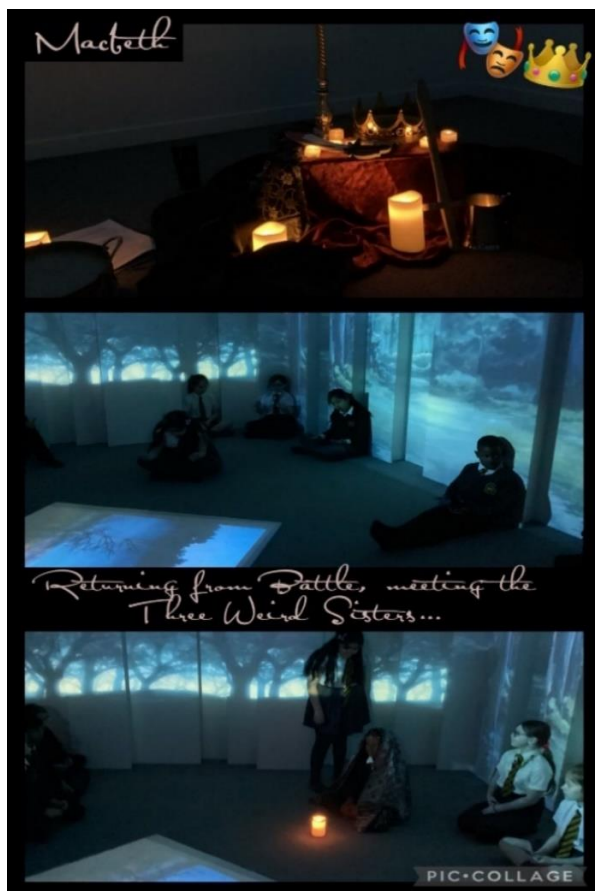
take place in school and there will also be an opportunity for you to look through your child's/children's books.

Prayer Garden

Our prayer garden is a wonderful place for prayer, peace and reflection. We would like to develop it further so that it encompasses all faiths within our school. A Google questionnaire has gone out to all families today asking for suggestions of how to best represent your faith. It needs to be something that the children can make with the support of their class teacher. Currently, we represent our Catholic faith through a mosaic tiled rosary which every year group contributed to. I would be grateful if you could share your views on the link that was sent to you via Parentapp.

Year 4 love Shakespeare!

Year 4 have begun work on their dramatisation of Macbeth. Our Dream Zone allowed them to fully immerse themselves in the play.



A Message from Fr. Michael

Hello and I hope everyone is well, staying safe and caring for one another. This Sunday Holy Week begins! This is "THE" week of the whole year. We celebrate Palm Sunday, Passion Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, the Easter Vigil and it all leads to Easter Sunday. Every day is like a festival of our Faith; every day is an essential moment in the journey of life. As we keep each hour, each day this week we reflect upon the love of God, expressed in the sacrifice, the death and the resurrection of the Son of God. This week begins with the Blessing of the Palms and everyone will take home a palm as a sign that we welcome Our Lord Jesus Christ into our homes, into our lives. May the palm we take home from church remind us to seek peace in our world for all. We pray in this Holy Week for an end to this war in Ukraine.

St. Kentigern, pray for us.

Eco Committee

The Eco-Committee have been litter picking around our school grounds and surrounding areas as part of the Great Big School Clean, which works alongside the Keep Britain Tidy campaign. Well done, everyone!



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FREE Holiday Activities in Wythenshaw

The following information has been emailed to school which might be of interest to you:

Half term activities are available for any child eligible for free school meals. The activities taking place will compromise of a swimming lesson, indoor sports, arts & crafts and a free hot lunch. The activities will take place 09.00 - 13.00 on Monday 4th April - Thursday 7th April & Monday 11th April - Thursday 14th April.

To book your space please visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/300756991257>

You will need a passcode to book tickets to each day which is **WFHAF2022**.

With continued best wishes,

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Headteacher



Chester helps the children prepare for their presentations