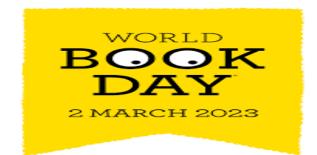


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Yet again, another half term has gone swiftly by. Today, we break up for a week, returning to school on Monday 27th February.

World Book Day



We will celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March. In class, the children will take part in a range of exciting book activities. To make this a wonderful day for the children, we would like then to dress up as their favourite book character for the day and bring in their favourite book to share with their classmates.

As you are aware, St Kentigern's is a Rights Respecting School. In school, the children have learnt about the UN Convention of children's rights and how these rights impact on their lives and the lives of others. Two very important rights are that every child has a right to an education and a right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities. Reading is both an important part of education and a great activity to help children relax. Therefore, we are going to hold a second-hand book sale after school on **Thursday 2nd March**. We will be selling books that are no longer required in school. We also invite you to bring any books you no longer require to school on Monday 27th February. Each book will cost **20p**. Any profits will go towards purchasing new books for school.

Right of the week

Article 14 Freedom of thought, belief and religion

Every child has the right to think and believe what they choose and also to practise their religion, as long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights. Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents to guide their child as they grow up.

Design and Technology in Year 6

This week Year 6 completed their design and technology project of designing, making and evaluating their own night lights. The children have developed a range of new skills this half term including using CAD to design both their night lights and circuits and making circuits including a switch. Well done for your creativity, Year 6!



NEU Strike Action

Further action is due to take place on the following dates:

- Tuesday, 28 February
- Wednesday, 15 March
- Thursday, 16 March

In case of school closure, please ensure that you make alternative provision for child care on these days. School will notify you if this planned action changes. It

We learn and pray, in faith and love

is a very turbulent time in the public sector and hopefully a resolution can be found quickly.

Reception

Reception have been learning all about how to care for animals, even if they are nervous of them. The children practised with Chester who lapped it all up!



Year 3 test out the drone!

Chester and Year 3 were learning about how Ariel views can be obtained by using a drone and created this great photo - well done, Year 3!



Message from Fr. Michael

Hello and I hope everyone is well and being kind to each other. As we pray for the people of Turkey and Syria, maybe we need to remember to be aware of those closer to home. It is always right and proper to care and help each other, to show respect. I'm sure everyone is ready for the half term vacation, so let me say "Thank you" to all our brilliant school staff. Thank you for all your great ideas and wonderful care for all our families. Have a well-earned great half term!

During the vacation, Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, and even if the school closes, our church stays open. On Ash Wednesday the "Mass of Ashes" will be at 10am. I'd love to welcome you to Mass that morning. Have a great week, St Kentigern pray for us.

With continued best wishes,

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