



The Brindley

The Choir Club performed the songs in the 'Magical Musicals' at The Brindley. Their performances of: 'I'm a Believer' - Shrek and 'He Lives in You' - The Lion King (to name a couple) were fantastic. Well done to everyone who performed and to Mr McCabe and Mrs Ollier for organising it.

Thank you to all the parents/carers who went along to support our school.



This week is Holy Week. In school the children will be learning about the events that led up to Jesus' death on Good Friday. The children in year 6 will be leading an assembly on Wednesday 28 March at 11.00am retelling the Stations of the Cross. You are all invited to attend this assembly.

It has been a really busy term and I would like to thank you again for your continued support. I would like to thank staff for all of their hard work this term and on behalf of everyone I would like to wish you all a very happy and holy Easter.

School

Can I take the opportunity to remind parents and carers that if you do have concerns about your child that the Teacher is the first port of call for this. If you are not happy with the response you may wish to speak to Mr Naylor (If it is Foundation Stage) (Nursery, Reception, Miss Daniels Key Stage 1 Years 1 & 2) and Mrs McCallum if it is Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6). Sometimes if you are not satisfied with the response this may then be escalated to the Headteacher.

Mrs Wright our Family Support Worker is available if it is not specifically involving your children's learning.



Spring Concert

Once again Year 5 children have done a brilliant job at the Spring Concert at Sts Peter & Paul Catholic College. A big well done to our soloists Olivia and Caleb for doing a brilliant job. Thank you to all the parents/carers who went along to support our school.

School Meals

Just a reminder that the school meals are changing when we return on Monday 9 April.

You should have received an email from 'Live Kitchen', this enables you to log on and order your child's school meal, even if your child has a free school meal.

It is your responsibility to order the meals from this date.



Imperial War Museum

Year 6 had a fantastic trip to the Imperial War Museum, last week. They spent the morning touring the main exhibitions and, in the afternoon, they had the opportunity to meet real war veterans and ask questions.

goodbye

Goodbye and Good Luck

Mrs Willcox (Kitchen Assistant) will be leaving our school on Wednesday. Mrs Willcox has worked at St. Gerard's for 17 years and she will be greatly missed.

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Fencing Works

When the children return after the Easter Holidays, you may notice new fences around the Tyre Park and the Outside Classroom. Work will begin replacing the perimeter fencing from 9 April. Can you please be diligent when bringing your child to and from school as building work will take up to 4 weeks to complete.

Jodrell Bank

Year 5 visited Jodrell Bank last week; they started the day with a Space Workshop with a personalized message from Tim Peake.

The children tested their health and fitness and even got to wear NASA gloves. All the children have received a free visit to Jodrell Bank using the voucher.

Good Luck

**SCHOOL CLOSURES WEDNESDAY 28 MARCH AT 3.15
AND RETURN ON MONDAY 9 APRIL 8.50 AM**



HAPPY EASTER



School Uniform

We always have comments from visitors how smart and well-presented our children look in their school uniforms. Whilst writing can I just reinforce our school uniform requirements:

Boys:

Grey trousers, white shirt and school tie, purple sweatshirt with school badge, black shoes (**not trainers**). In the summer grey shorts may also be worn.

Girls:

White blouse and school tie, purple sweatshirt/cardigan with school badge, black shoes (**not trainers**). The girls may wear lilac dresses.

No jewelry is allowed.



Goodbye and Good Luck

Miss Kirby will be leaving St. Gerard's on Wednesday 28 March, we would like to thank Miss Kirby for her hard work and dedication, and wish her well for the future.



Holy Week in the Parish of St Wilfrid

Confessions

There will be Extended Confessions at St Bede's Church on Monday 26th March from 5:30pm – 7:00pm. Five priests will be available, and parishioners can come at any time during the Extended Confessions. You will be given a leaflet as you enter the church to help on the journey to Reconciliation.

Mass of Chrism

Wednesday 28th March 7:30pm Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King
The cost of the coach to the Mass of Chrism will be £7. If you have booked a place, please put your money in a named envelope and hand it in to the Parish Office (or leave it in the Sacristy at any of our 4 churches) as soon as possible. There is no charge for Altar Servers.

Pick up points and times: St Bede's 6:00pm St John Fisher 6:10pm

Holy Thursday

Thursday 29th March 7:30pm St Michael's

Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by 'watching' until night prayer at 10:00pm.

Good Friday

Friday 30th March 11:00am Stations of the Cross for children St John Fisher

11:00am Stations of the Cross St Bede's

3:00pm The Passion St Michael's

3:00pm The Passion St Basil's RC & All Saints CE

3:00pm The Passion St Bede's

3:00pm The Passion St John Fisher

7:30pm Watching at the Tomb St Bede's

Holy Saturday

Saturday 31st March 12.00 noon Blessing of Easter

Food St Bede's

8.00pm Easter Vigil St Michael's

Easter Sunday Masses

Sunday 1st April 8:30am St Michael's

9:00am St Bede's

10:00am St John Fisher

10:30am St Michael's

11:15am St Bede's

4:30pm St Basil's



Easter Prayer

We thank you that Easter is not about *a* people, but *all* people.

THAT your love and your Salvation are for all who confess with voices, hearts and lives.

THAT the tomb is empty because Jesus is risen.

THAT we might know forgiveness.

THAT lives might be reborn and your name glorified now

*and for eternity.
Amen*

