



# **April Newsletter 2024**

It is wonderful to be settled back in from our Easter holidays. I hope that you have all enjoyed a happy and holy Easter break with your loved ones. It has certainly been a busy start to the term so far and we are very much looking forward to an exciting summer term.

# Attendance

Thank you to those parents and carers who have supported us in ensuring their child attends school. Attendance will continue to be a whole school target for every child across school. Our attendance is still not above national but is slowly improving. However, at 23% our persistent absence figures in school show that 45 of our children are missing 10% or more of their school time.

Please continue to support us in ensuring your child attends school and arrives on time. Children are welcomed into school from 8:45am until 9am when the school gates will close.

We have had a lot of requests recently for holidays. Unfortunately, all holidays will be unauthorised as children need to be in school during term time.

Please contact the school if we can provide any support in improving your child's attendance or if you would like to discuss your child's attendance.

# TEAM (formerly PTA)

We would love your participation in our newly formed TEAM group, where we are hoping to work collaboratively to support our pupils and all our school families! Please mark your calendar for our upcoming meeting tomorrow **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 3.30 pm.** 

Our first fundraising event will be a school disco for Reception to Y6 pupils.

This will take place on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June** KS1 3:00pm-4:00pm KS2 5:30-7:00pm

#### The theme is 'Get ready for summer'

KS1 and Reception children will be allowed to come into school in their shorts and shades.

We look forward to working with you to make your children's experience at school even more memorable!

Our newsletters are uploaded onto our school website and our Facebook page. If a paper copy is preferred, please let the office know and a paper copy will be given to the eldest pupil in the family to take home.

# Jesus, the Good Shepherd

Jesus often used stories to help him get his message across. Just like the Good Shepherd loves and cares for his sheep, Jesus loves and cares for each of us in a very special way. He walks with us, takes care of us, rescues us when we are in danger, and knows us all by our name.

Just like a good shepherd would lay down his life for his sheep, Jesus would give up his life for us. Jesus died on a cross but on Easter he rose again to be with us always.

> Lord Jesus, Teach me to be generous. Teach me to serve as you deserve, To give and not to count the cost, To fight and not to heed the wounds, To labour and not to seek to rest, To give of myself and not ask for a reward. Except the reward of knowing that | am doing your will. Atmen

### Class Dojo

Just a reminder that teachers and staff **do not** now have access to Dojo. To contact a member of staff please phone the office to make an appointment. We will continue to communicate via the website and Facebook. In addition, texts will continue to be sent via teachers2parents. Thank you

## Weekend Mass Times: Our Lady of the Rosary Church

Fr. Sean Neylan, Rev Deacon Peter Barrigan & Rev Deacon Neil Haggerstone.

Saturday Vigil 4:30pm

Sunday Morning 9:30 am