



**Newsletter 28**  
**22nd April 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the Easter Holidays. As always it is so lovely to see the children back in school and they have settled straight into learning with enthusiasm. Thank you to everyone who has managed to drop their children / child off at the slightly earlier time (gates open at 8.40 and children should be arriving by 8.50. Registration is at 8.55 prompt so children should be at their desks by this time – not arriving – so learning can begin straight away. Pick up is the now normal 3.15pm for Years 3 and 4 and 3.20pm for Years 5 and 6.

**Whole school photo on Monday**

Please be aware that we have a whole school photo on Monday. Children should be wearing summer uniform AND a school jumper or cardigan. Please also ensure they have black footwear as our school uniform. The photograph is planned for the morning. All children will be included in the photograph (similar to class photos).

**Rainbow Day and World Earth Day**

We have an exciting day today – marking World Earth Day with activities – mainly outside – and our Rainbow Day. Children have made a great effort to display as many colours as possible and our thanks go to the parents who came in to count the colours this morning. Sponsorship money can be sent via the Arbor link. Children are taking part in World Earth Day activities throughout the day – with Geography and Science related outdoor activities.



There were some ingenious ways of wearing colours – see end of the newsletter for some great examples.

**Covid Update**

The revised parent guidance is on our website under Covid-19 Updates.

Key points for the new term are:

- gates open at 8:40 with children expected to be in class by 8:50 (five minutes earlier).
- we will keep the five minutes difference at the end of the day (Yrs 3&4 3.15 and Yrs 5&6 3.20).

- parents will be asked to judge when their child is fit for school after having Covid (no set isolation).
- we will continue with ventilation in all rooms (and carbon dioxide monitors) and our enhanced cleaning routines.

**Lenten Boxes** – Please could children bring back their Lenten boxes for the Catholic Children's Society (Diocesan Lenten Appeal). Thank you to those who have already returned the boxes – any contribution is greatly appreciated.

### **Music award**

A special mention to Joseph Castle for achieving Grade 1 Trombone. Well done.

### **Sports news**

The Girls' Year 6 football team will be playing their semi-final against St Paul's on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April. The venue has yet to be arranged.

The Boys' Year 6 football team unfortunately did not progress to the knock out stages despite winning six and losing only once. There were three teams in our group who had the same record and we just lost out on goal difference; a tough one to take!

A Year 6 Rounders & Kwik Cricket Club will be starting up on Mondays after school from 9<sup>th</sup> May. Details will follow in next Wednesday's e-mail with details on how to sign up.

### **Stations of the Cross**

Well done to those children who took part in the the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, hosted by the Church of St Mary and St Joseph and St John's Church.

The children did readings at the stations and even helped to carry the Cross across Blackbirds Moor in Boxmoor.



### **Reminders for next week**

Monday – Whole school photo – remember jumpers and cardigans

Tuesday – 3 Anning swimming

Wednesday – 3 Nightingale swimming; Year 4 Athletics with Watford FC Trust

Wishing you a happy weekend,

Mrs Smith  
Head Teacher



Well done and thank you to all the children for your many varied great ideas.