17th March 2023

HEWSLETTER

#### School Council Toy Sale

The school council would like to thank all of those who supported our toy sale on Monday, either through donating items for the event or turning up to purchase something. In total, we managed to raise £117 for Cancer Research.

## StudyBugs

Thank you to the large number of parents who have already signed up to StudyBugs. This is our new system for reporting children's absence to school. If you have not yet signed up, please do so soon as it will become our only means of reporting absence from the beginning of the Summer Term.



REMINDER: No school clubs during the last week of term!

School closes at 3:15pm on Friday 31st March ©

#### Ukuele Peripatetic Lessons

A letter was emailed out to parents earlier in the week offering individual and group ukulele peripatetic music lessons on a weekly basis. We hope to have enough interest to be able to offer these for children in Years 2-6. If you would like another copy of the letter, please contact the admin team or visit the school website.



### Teddy Bear Tombola

Year 1 will be holding a teddy bear tombola on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March in support of Zoe's place. The tombola will be available at break and lunchtime and is £1 a go.

## <u>Attendance</u>

Attendance for the week ending 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole	Whole School Year to
							School	date
95.2%	97.3%	95.0%	95.3%	94.3%	91.7%	96.4%	95.0%	94.4%

Late marks (before the close of register) recorded for the week ending 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023:

Monday 13/2	Tuesday 14/2	Wednesday 15/3	Thursday 16/3	Friday 17/3	Total
6	2	0	0	5	13

Whole school attendance dipped last week with only two year groups achieving a good weekly attendance figure – well done to Year 1 and Year 6.

# SPORTS NEWS

The Year 4 girls had their final football tournament this week and came up against some teams they played in previous weeks. The girls put everything into their games with Grace pulling off some great saves. The team got better again as the games went on and were unlucky not to get a win in their final game but settled for a hard fought draw. The whole experience for the girls has been fantastic and they have come such a long way from where they were starting back in November. They have shown such enthusiasm every time they've played and have been a real credit to the school and themselves. Player of the tournament was Millie W. A huge thank you to Miss Smith for giving up her time to not only train with the girls but also attend the after school tournaments.



#### Lenten Faith Workshops

Following the success and popularity of our Advent Faith workshops, during Lent, classes will be holding similar events where a parent or relative can come into school and complete activities with their child in preparation for the season of Easter. These workshops will take place over the next few weeks and involve all classes except Years 3 and 4, who are preparing for their Easter performance, to which parents are invited. We would appreciate it if all parents (except Year 3 and 4) could complete this form indicating if someone will be attending their child's workshop and if so, who. This will allow us to prepare the correct number of resources etc. We look forward to welcoming you to these events.



# THIS WEEK

Date	Year	Event	Time
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Rec	Mother's Day Lunch	12 noon
	Team	KS1 Gymnastics Event	AM
	Team	Y4 Speed Stacking Event	PM
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Team	Y6 Rowing Competition	AM
	Team	4U Rowing Competition	PM
	1	Mother's Day Lunch	12 noon
	4	Swimming – bring your kits!	PM
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	R,3,6	Class mass – all welcome!	9:30am
	Team	Y6 Athletics Event	AM
	2	Mother's Day Lunch	12 noon
Thur 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	N,R	Ash End Farm trip	All day
	3,4	Mother's Day Lunch	12 noon
	Team	Boys cross country event	3:45pm
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar	5,6	Mother's Day Lunch	12 noon

# Please do not park on the driveway!

The driveway should not be used for parking at any time. We are seeing a huge increase in the number of cars, particularly at drop offs for breakfast club and collections from the Nursery at 11:30am. The driveway belongs to Western Power who require access to their site at all times, however, they are regularly prevented from doing so due to cars blocking their gates. This is **not acceptable.** The safety of our children is paramount; please support us in keeping the driveway clear. The church car park is available. Thank you.

#### Year 5 St Patrick Celebration

A huge thank you to everyone who was able to join Year 5 in celebrating their Saint day. The raffle raised £137.50 which will be donated to class charities. Thank you for your generosity. We are also grateful to Mary, our resident Irish Dancing teacher, for taking the time to support our Irish dancers with their fabulous performance.



#### Alton Castle 2023

Year 5 had a fabulous time at Alton Castle last week. They fully immersed themselves in both the spiritual and physical experiences Alton Castle had to offer. During their stay, Year 5 have made some wonderful memories, represented the school beautifully and showed great resilience. We give thanks to Mrs Hartwell, Miss McGinn and Miss Grantham for supporting the children during this very special part of their faith journey.

