

NEWSLETTER



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5th April 2019

Message from Mr Dyson

It is strange writing our final newsletter of the term when Easter still seems so far away.

This Sunday's gospel reading is about forgiveness - the gospel value that can often be the hardest to do. A woman who had committed a crime was brought to Jesus by the Pharisees - testing his resolve to punish this woman in the cruellest of ways. His response was this, "Any of you who have not committed a sin can throw a stone at this woman." Needless to say, not one stone was thrown. It is an important value to have and I admire our children's ability to forgive others who have done wrong.

It was lovely to see so many parents this week at parents evening. There were many positive comments from both parents and staff. There were also some useful suggestions for how we can improve. I have taken these on board and will be working over the Easter period to implement new initiatives in light of some of your feedback. Thank you.

The Big Pedal was a huge success and we are looking forward to seeing how we fared against other participating schools in the national tables. On Monday, every class had the opportunity to tackle an obstacle course on either their scooters or bikes. The children were amazing. I had a go but sadly the speed that I thought I had was lacking.

Our Year 5 and 6 children went to The Cathedral on Monday where they explored the events of Good Friday by studying the Stations of The Cross. The children linked the stations to events as they are recorded in the gospels. To end the day, the children examined how Jesus fulfilled prophecy in

Scripture, confirming His divinity.

It has been a really positive term and we finish this term I believe in a much stronger position than we were in at the end of the Autumn Term. I want to thank the wonderful staff team for their sheer passion and dedication towards our school and our children. They are a team that go over and beyond to provide our children the best possible opportunities, from our wonderful office staff to our MTAs, from our teachers to all of our support staff! Thank you all.

And thank you to you, the parents. It has been really great getting to know you all over the past term. It is our aim as a school to get you into school more often during the Summer Term., having a look at their learning and enjoying whole school events. We are keen to get our PTA up and running again so please come and see us after the Easter Holiday to offer us support.

Have a wonderful Easter break. Spend quality time together as families and, if you can, try and get to mass during the Easter break as we remember the real reason for Easter.

See you all on Tuesday 23rd April.

Warm Wishes

Mark Dyson

EASTER MASSES / TRIDUUM

18th April Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm
19th April Good Friday 3pm
20th April Holy Saturday Easter Vigil 8.30pm
21st April Easter Sunday 8am, 10am, 6pm

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Liturgy in School

Please join us for whole school liturgy on Monday at 9.00 am.

The theme for our prayer and worship next week is: Forgive each other

Dear Jesus, please help me to be kind and loving when I feel like blaming other people for the things they have done wrong. Amen.



Julia Donaldson	96.09%
Roald Dahl	85.38%
Michael Morpurgo	94.07%
David Walliams	98.48%

SUMMER CAMPS

Applications are now being taken for places at the Plymouth Diocese Catechetical Summer Camps, to be held at Grangehurst, Buckfast Abbey. Camp details and application forms can be obtained from your parish priest or on-line from the camp website:

www.pds summer camps.org.uk

Catered April to October 2019 menu

We have sent home a copy of the new school meals starting after Easter. Sandwiches will be available on request

Monday: Cheese salad

Tuesday: Tuna & cucumber

Wednesday: Egg mayo & tomato

Thursday: Gammon salad

Friday: Cheese & tomato



Here is a list of some important dates confirmed for this year.

Diary Dates

Friday 5th April

Last day of term, 3:15pm

Monday 8th - Thursday 18th April

Half term holiday

Friday 19th April

Good Friday

Monday 22nd April

Easter Monday

Tuesday 23rd April

First day of term, 8:30am

Thursday 2nd May

Learning afternoon for Foundation parents, 2:15pm.

POLISH FOOD BLESSING (in Polish)

This will take place on Holy Saturday 20th April in the following places at the following times:

9.30am Christ the King, Armada Way

11.00am Cathedral

11.00am Our Lady of Lourdes, Plympton

12.30pm St Joseph's, Raglan Road, Devonport

2.00pm St Peter's, Boniface Lane, Crownhill

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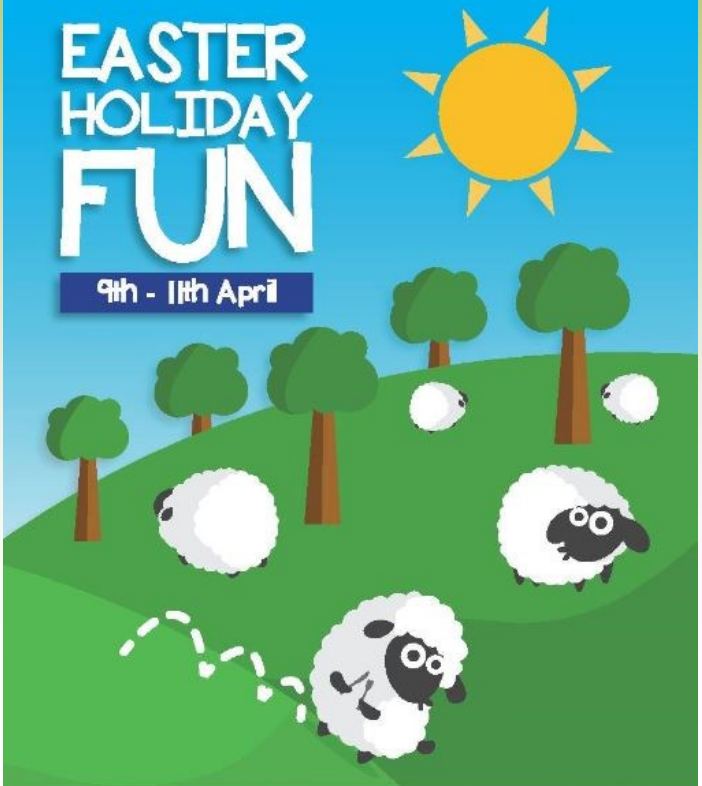
APPLICATIONS CLOSE
MONDAY 6th MAY 2019

Enquiries:
applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk



EASTER HOLIDAY FUN

9th - 11th April



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Tickets**
6th-14th April

Book online and at least 24hrs in advance

**megga
easter
egg hunt**
15th-22nd April

**Peter
Rabbit**

PLUS MEET
PETER RABBIT
AT INTERVALS ON
18th-22nd APRIL
2019

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The Cathedral School of St Mary

2018-2019 School Calendar

March 2019						
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School holidays

Bank Holidays

Occasional days

Professional development days (Non Pupil Days)

The Cathedral School of St Mary Academic Calendar 2019/20

September 2019						
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Occasional Days	INSET Days (Non-Pupil Days)	Bank Holidays	School holidays
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