

PFA events next term:

3rd, 10th, 17th 24th April - Coffees after Sunday Masses.

Please give the PFA your help and support as their work benefits all the children in our school. You can help after 9.15 or 11.00 Mass and drop off donations of cakes, savoury items and also donations for the Tombola - these can all be handed in at the Parish Centre on Sunday morning.

THANK YOU TO:

- All parents and carers who attended the open evening (or Stay and Play Mornings for Reception) to meet with teachers and discuss their children's progress. As always, if you were unable to attend, you can make a separate appointment via the School Office.
- Those who help in school in so many different ways. We had a wonderful response to our request for parents/carers and relatives who were willing to visit school during our 'Money & Work' Week. The children found these visits very informative and we are very grateful to everyone who gave up their time and supported us with this initiative. We will update you on the amount raised from the Sale of Goods and the Charities this money will benefit, on the next newsletter.
- The PFA Committee and other helpers for organising fundraising and social events.
- Everyone who bought raffle tickets and donated prizes to the Easter Raffle, it raised £231.80.
- Our hard working staff, some of whom will again be travelling with the Darlington HCPT group; supporting children and families on pilgrimage to Lourdes. We hope they have a wonderful time.
- Everyone who has joined in with fund-raising events during Lent so that we can look beyond our own community and help others. We raised £325.36 in donations after our CAFOD Lent Liturgy.

Please remember all those in our school community who need our prayers at this time.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday
& a very Happy Easter!

Mrs M McCollom

Head of School

St Augustine's RC Primary School



SPRING TERM Newsletter 6: 24th March 2016

Lent Liturgies:

- Many Parishioners passed on their thanks to the Key Stage 2 Children who led the Stations of the Cross in church last Friday.
- Reception & Key Stage 1 led us sensitively through the Stations of the Cross and it was lovely to share this moving liturgy with parents and carers.
- KS2 led us in a very beautiful and reflective liturgy in Church on Tuesday. Thank you to those parents who were able to attend.

Holy Week Services - Celebrating Easter.

These services are a great opportunity to ensure that our children know about and celebrate the real meaning of Easter. Please help them to be part of the most important week in the Church's year.

Maundy Thursday 24th March: Parish Mass 7pm

Good Friday 25th March: Stations of the Cross 10am This is a great opportunity to take children to a shorter liturgy which is familiar to many of them through their worship and R.E. work in school during Lent.

Good Friday Liturgy 3pm

Saturday 26th March: Easter Vigil 8pm.

Easter Sunday: 27th March Masses at 9.15am & 11am (No evening mass)
Times of services in the different Darlington parishes are available on our parish website.

Sport Relief: The children looked fantastic dressed in their sports kits and we raised an amazing £220.23 To help support the work of this excellent charity.

Cross Country - Well done to all our children who took part in the Tees Valley competition yesterday.

After School Clubs Next Term (starting the first week of term)

Monday: Y3 & Y4 Dance Club 18.4.16 to 23.5.16
Wednesday: Y5 & Y6 Boys & Girls Football
Thursday: Y3, Y4 & Y5 Drama Club
Y5 Cookery Club

Swimming: sessions for Year 3 and Year 4 will start the first week of term: **Mondays Y3; Tuesdays Y4.**

Dates for the start of the Summer term

Tuesday 12th April - School reopens for pupils.

Mon 2nd May - Bank Holiday

Mon 9th May - Y6 SATs Week

Friday 27th May - School Closes for half term.

Dinner Money Next Half Term is £66.00 (upto 27/5/16) (Cheques must be made payable to St. Augustine's RC Primary School)

Please Remember:

- **Good attendance and punctuality** are always important but especially so next half-term when Year 6 have SATs beginning Monday 9th May.
- Year 2 will also have SATs and special work for a number of weeks beginning shortly after the Easter holidays.
- All children who arrive after the gates have been locked (8.55am), must be signed in at the school office by a parent/carer.
- **School Uniform.** Please help your child begin the summer term with the correct clothing and footwear; clearly labelled with his/her name. Details of uniform are in the School Prospectus, available on the website.
- Please ensure that your child has a large spare shirt to protect their uniform during Art Lessons.