



St. Jerome's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and Children,

Collective Worship

Our focus this week has been Fairtrade. We have given thanks for the farmers who produce our food and clothes from their crops especially those who work hard but still live in poverty. We learned about how buying Fairtrade goods can help communities to access food, medical care and education.

Religious Education Monitoring Visit

Father David Melly spent the day with us on Wednesday. He observed Collective Worship, Religious Education lessons and met with pupils, governors and staff. He was given the results of your completed surveys and surveys completed by Class 6 pupils. Father Melly told us that he had very much enjoyed his day and a letter detailing what he thought will be sent to us to share with you in the next week or two.

Olympic Athlete Visit

James Denny, Team GB Diver and medallist came to school on Tuesday afternoon and wowed us with his agility and gymnastic skills. He was a real inspiration and explained to the children that he had started his journey to the Olympics when he was just a schoolboy. The children completed all the activities and had a wonderful time with him. If you have any sponsor money please send it in as soon as you can.

School Newspaper

The first edition of our pupil produced newspaper "The Leo Express" went out this week at a cost of 20p. The pupils worked hard to keep up with demand but did a great job and all customers were able to get a copy of the paper.

Football Results

Our girls' team played Freshfield on Monday but unfortunately even with some outstanding defending and goalkeeping we were beaten 6-0.

The boys played Woodlands on Thursday and they had a great result of 6-1. The boys also played St. Mary's last Thursday and won 8-1. Hopefully this will fill them with confidence for their tournament next Thursday in Sheffield.

Learning for Living

Last night we attended this annual event to celebrate the winners of our school essay competition. Lewis, Thomas and Abi were congratulated by the judges on their insightful and thoughtful essays which promoted self-belief, gratitude and family life. We were delighted to see two of our ex-pupils also receiving awards for their essays and one won the overall secondary prize. Thanks to Formby High for hosting the event this year.

School Lending Library

The library use continues to grow and Mrs Allen and the Junior librarians are changing 100 books weekly for our keen readers. We are still happy to accept donations of books in good condition to boost our stocks and keep the choice as wide as possible. Please ensure books are returned undamaged after being borrowed - damaged books will incur a fine of £3.

PTA Wine – Tasting Evening

You are invited to a night of good wine, music, a great quiz and good food. Tickets are £20 per person which includes all the above. Parties of six are ideal. Forms are available through the school office. This was a great night last year and raised much needed funds for the school. The playground refurbishment project is our focus for this year in addition to the enrichment funding provided to each class which subsidises or pays for trips and special class events.

CAFOD Fast Day for Lent

Thank you for sending in the 20p coins which we will gather together to send to CAFOD. I think the morning without toast might remind us all what it feels like when your tummy is rumbling and I am sure lunch will be very welcome.

Dates for your diary (please check the school website):

Full Governors Meeting 13th March 6pm

Class 5 Beach School 14th March

Fiestaval Rehearsal 14th March Greenbank High

Southport and Waterloo Cross-Country Maghull 15th March 4.15pm (First Race)

ESFL Northern Finals 16th March Sheffield

Class 2 Assembly 17th March 9.15am

Boys Football away at Trinity St. Peter's 17th March 4pm

Regards,

Mrs. Monaghan