

# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School



**Headteacher: Mr R. Protsiv**

**School Closures:**

Easter Holidays:	Monday 4th April to Monday 18th April 2022
Inset Day:	Tuesday 19th April 2022
Bank Holiday:	Monday 2nd May 2022 Thursday 2nd June 2022 Friday 3rd June 2022
School Closed:	Friday 1st July 2022
Half Term:	Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022
Summer Holidays	Begins Thursday 21st July 2022

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*Congratulations!*

**Attendance/Punctuality Award  
Week: 18th March 2022**

**Attendance:**  
**Classes: 1M and 4P**

**Punctuality:**  
**Classes: RM and 3L**

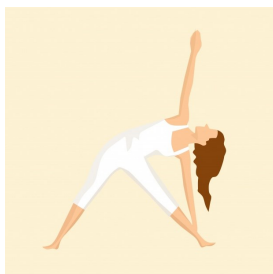
A massive thank you for all your support and donations to help raise much needed funds for the people of Ukraine. St Patrick's community is amazingly supportive and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your continued generosity. We raised an impressive £1,667.95. Please keep the people of Ukraine in your prayers. We ask God to keep them safe. The money raised has been donated to <https://www.gofundme.com/f/helpukraine> This humanitarian campaign is being organised by a community partnership of Ukrainian churches and organisations in Great Britain.

**Mass on Saturday 19th March:** With the ongoing war in Ukraine, St Patrick's Church will be holding a morning of prayer and Adoration beginning with Mass at 10am and ending with Benediction at 1pm. Mr Protsiv will give a talk after Mass on how the war is affecting Ukrainians and what we can do to support them in their struggle. Everyone is welcome to attend as we unite in a prayerful union for and with Ukraine.

**Wellbeing at St Patrick's:**

**BE ACTIVE:** exercise makes you feel good. Discover a physical activity you enjoy and suits your level of fitness.

- Take up a sport
- Go for a run or a walk
- Do a silly dance
- Make up a dance routine
- Make up a daily exercise routine
- Try your hand at gardening or growing things
- Try yoga
- Organise running races on the playground



**St Patrick's Day:** Today the whole school celebrated St Patrick's Day. Everyone looked as brilliant as ever dressed in green. The children and staff worked very hard to put it altogether. The singing and dancing was amazing. Well done to everyone!

**Spare Uniform:** As you know, we are offering places in school for the children fleeing the war in the Ukraine. We are short on uniform and would be grateful for any spare that you may have. You can hand them to your child's class teacher or the school office. Thank you for your continued support.



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EDI is similar to DEI (Diversity, Equality and Inclusion), only the E stands for Equity. When we talk about equality, we mean treating everyone equally (and of course everyone deserves equal respect). Equity is looking at the individualised needs of people and groups and educating ourselves, whilst providing opportunities to level the field.

### **The Review Panel**

Miss Williams (Year 1 teacher) and Mrs Courtenay (School Governor) sit on the Ethical Review Panel for Diversity and Inclusion, which is overseen by SLT and the Chair of Governors. We work on areas of the audit including policy making to ensure our community is as supportive as we promote in the Mission Statement. We will be inviting guest speakers, sharing best practice and keeping you updated as we make changes to the policy to accommodate all areas of the nine protected characteristics. These are the nine areas recognised areas it is illegal to discriminate against in the UK. They are protected by law and those values are upheld here in school.

### **The Steer Committee**

We need you! We are looking for six volunteers to meet once per term to discuss all of the issues arising and mapping how we can accommodate the needs and make positive impact. This includes addressing and mitigating bias, supporting all members of the community and promoting an inclusive culture where everyone thrives. If you're interested, please email [EDI@st-patricks.waltham.sch.uk](mailto:EDI@st-patricks.waltham.sch.uk) with your name and contact details. Should there be an overwhelming response, we'll rotate the committee biannually to ensure we hear as many voices as possible.

**Building Fund:** Each year every parent who has chosen to send their child to a voluntary aided Catholic School is asked to make a contribution to the school Building Fund so that the school can continue to provide the best possible teaching and learning environment. Governors at St Patrick's ask for a donation of £30 a year for families with one child, plus an additional £10 for families with more than one child at the school.

Two projects that this fund has contributed towards is the artificial grass in the Peace Garden and the heating refurbishment.

If you haven't yet made your contribution, you can do so by logging in to your ParentPay account. THANK YOU to all the families that have already contributed to the Building Fund for this school year.

**Holiday Club:** *Monday 4th April to Thursday 14th April.* If you wish your child to attend, please complete the booking form on the school website and hand it into the school office or email to [cpc@st-patricks.waltham.sch.uk](mailto:cpc@st-patricks.waltham.sch.uk).

The daily cost is £26.00 per child, £20.00 for siblings. The club runs from 8am to 6pm. A range of exciting activities will be offered for the children. Outdoor activities will also be available (weather permitting). Children will be offered a healthy breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack with choices of fresh fruit, fresh juice, milk or water.

**Gospel:** Taken from the Gospel for Sunday 20th March 2022 - Time for Repentance (Luke 13:1-9)

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, "Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did." He told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, 'Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?' 'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.'"

**If you think of yourself as the fig-tree, what do you consider to be the most 'rotten' part of yourself that you really need to change? Would the sacrament of Reconciliation help? What sort of injury do you find it hardest to forgive - an affront to your pride, your pocket or your person? Is there anyone you have not forgiven?**



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