

# 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: 25th March 2022**

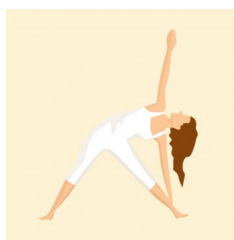
**Attendance:**  
**Classes: 1W and 3R**

**Punctuality:**  
**Classes: RM, 2D and 4S**

This week's e-safety focus addresses the timely and delicate issue of speaking with children about worrying content they've seen online. Young people are so connected to the world through their devices that, by now, the vast majority will be acutely aware of the situation in Ukraine, even if they're not quite old enough to comprehend it fully. Many have watched or read potentially upsetting news items online covering the invasion and, in all likelihood, will need extra reassurance from trusted adults during these unsettling days. Attached with this week's newsletter is a guide that has practical advice on raising the subject with young ones, allowing them to express their concerns, and helping them to avoid feeling overwhelmed by their fears.

**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

**House Points  
25th March 2022**

Bethlehem	1058
Galilee	1200
Jerusalem	1100
Nazareth	1832



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**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.



## Class of the Week

Week: 21st March 2022

Classes RH and RM

**Assembly:** Today 3L performed an assembly in front of the whole school and their parents. They were delighted to be able to share some of their knowledge about Ancient Egypt. The children were a real credit to the school. They learned their lines, spoke clearly and sang beautifully. We have some budding actors and actresses in 3L! Mrs Guerrini and Ms Lumley are very proud of their class.



**Reconciliation:** Our school journey towards Easter continued this week with a visit from our priests to hear confession from our Year 5 and Year 6 children. Thank you Fr Kevin, Fr Freddy and Fr Jean.



**Easter Raffle:** FOSPA are selling tickets for the Easter Raffle. Tickets are £1.00 a strip and available morning and afternoon in the school playground. Years 3—6 can bring a £1.00 and purchase a ticket from Mrs Duffy or Miss Allen in the school office. The draw will take place next Friday.

If you would like to volunteer to help at future FOSPA events, please speak to one of the reps in the playground or leave your name with the office and FOSPA will contact you. Thank you.

**Gospel:** Taken from the Gospel for Sunday 27th March 2022 - The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:1-3. 11-32)

Jesus spoke this parable to them: "A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, 'Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery. When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine. So he left the place and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. And they began to celebrate. Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. 'Your brother has come,' replied the servant, 'and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound.' He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, 'Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property - he and his women - you kill the calf we had been fattening.' The father said, 'My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.'"

**Which brother comes out of the story best? Have you ever felt like the elder brother? What picture of God does Jesus present in the Parable of the Prodigal Son?**



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