

24th March 2023

Dear Parents

Do have a look at our website to see the recent news <https://www.st-monicas.enfield.sch.uk/category/news/>

Mother's Day Tea party – On Monday our Year 3 mums *finally* had the opportunity to gather with their children for the Mother's Day Tea Party, which should have happened in March 2020, but was delayed thanks to the pandemic!! It was definitely worth the wait!

Reconciliation – During Lent we endeavour to become closer to God through recognising where we may have gone wrong and how to improve. I held an Infant Reconciliation Service for Reception, Years 1 and 2 on Tuesday. Later that afternoon our priests Fr Mehall and Fr Paul alongside Fr Daniel from my parish in Enfield and another priest Fr Tom provided an opportunity for children in Years 3 and 6 to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Last week Years 4 and 5 also had this opportunity. Thank you to all our local priests for supporting us with this.

Maths Workshop for Years 4, 5 and 6 – The information from the workshop held on Tuesday evening can be found on our website <https://www.st-monicas.enfield.sch.uk/learning/our-curriculum/maths/> We have included a Maths Dictionary as requested. We used one from *Third Space Learning* but have amended it to add more language that we are using in class. Scroll down to the bottom of the page for the information for Years 4, 5 and 6.

Class Assembly – The children from Class 2Y took us all around the world in their assembly about the seven continents. They had learnt a huge number of interesting facts about terrain, weather, population and animal habitats! I challenged them to create a book with all this information and put it into our school library, so that all the children could enjoy reading it! They sang beautiful songs "He's got the whole globe in his hands" and "What a wonderful world!"

Happy Bag Collection – Thanks to everyone for their contributions to today's Happy Bag Collection. Reception Green brought the most bags and so they can have a non-uniform day. £652.30 was raised for The Friends through this collection. Particular thanks to the parents who helped with all the loading of bags onto the van!

Last One Standing – Congratulations to Sophia Conlon for being the last one standing in the recent competition run by her dad Ton Conlon. I think we can safely say that Tom didn't have any inside information about who might win Premier League football matches! Well done Sophia and a big thank you to Tom for raising nearly £1,000 for The Friends with this competition and Red Loft for sponsoring it.

Diary Dates

Friday 24th – Happy Bag collection – bring in unwanted clothes, shoes, bags, toiletries in good condition.

Sunday 26th 11.30-4.30pm – Pre-loved clothes sale. If you want to set up your own stall to sell your pre-loved clothes, see flier on the school website <https://www.st-monicas.enfield.sch.uk/parents/letters-to-parents/> It's going to be a great occasion to teach the children about re-using/mending/altering clothes to create a more sustainable environment and avoid a build up of waste!

Monday 27th – Taking food to St Monica's church foodbank. If you can spare some things for the foodbank, please bring them to school on Monday morning as the whole school will be walking to church to deliver them and find out more about this vital work. Most needed items are: tins of tuna, sardines, chopped tomatoes, soup, fruit, tins of corn beef or other meats, packs of rice or pasta, cooking oil, coffee, sugar, long life milk, toilet rolls, biscuits, chocolate, shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, Easter eggs. Also, if you have any spare reusable shopping bags please bring them too.

Wednesday 29th 9.15am - Infant Passion Service to prepare us for Holy Week – Year 2 parents invited

Thursday 30th 9.15am – Junior Passion Service – Year 4 parents invited

Thursday 30th 7pm – Dancers performing at the Millfield Theatre for the Enfield Dance Festival

Friday 31st – Break up for Easter (normal time)

Monday 17th April – School opens for summer term – summer uniform can be worn

Have a good weekend.

Kind regards
Kate Baptiste
Headteacher