

31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents

We have reached the end of the Spring Term and I think everyone is deserving of a well-earned rest.

**The Friends** – On Monday we had an eye-watering donation of **£30,000** deposited into our school bank account from The Friends of St Monica's! This has paid for: £7,000 – books for reading for pleasure for all classrooms and the school library, £3,280 – interactive whiteboard for class 1Y, £8,255 – 30 chrome books, licences and storage, £5,800 – 16 iPads and cases and £5,000 for RWI reading books for Yr1 & 2. Thank you very much to all the parents who have contributed to the fund raising in any way, your generosity is very much appreciated!

**St Monica's Food Bank** – On Monday the sun shone for us as we walked en masse to St Monica's Church foodbank. You can look at our special pilgrimage on the website <https://www.st-monicas.enfield.sch.uk/category/news/>

This message was received on Tuesday from Gerry who runs the foodbank, *"On behalf of all the volunteers at the St. Monica's Church Foodbank, we wanted to thank you and all the children, staff and parents for their incredible generosity yesterday. Your donations are a God send and with the contributions you made yesterday, we were able to share food with 171 households, which consists of over 550 people (and over 220 of them are children). So if any of your children, staff or parents are in any doubt that such donations make a difference, please let them know that with their donations we were able to help others in great need yesterday and in the weeks to come. It will be no surprise to you that the visit yesterday by the whole school lifted the spirits of all the team and energised us all for the afternoon session, serving our clients."*

Donations to the foodbank are welcome on any Monday morning throughout the year. Thank you all.

**Passion Services** – The infant and junior children gathered on Wednesday and Thursday respectively for the Passion Services. Through drama, prayer and song the children described the events of Holy Week in a prayerful, respectful and reverent way. I hope the parents and carers of Years 2 and 4 enjoyed the services. Palm Sunday is on Sunday, followed by Holy Week and then the celebration of Easter!

**Millfield Theatre** – It was a privilege to attend this year's Enfield Dance Festival at the Millfield Theatre where 23 of our children performed. Their dance, "What a Picture" was a show-stopper and worthy of any West End stage! Very well done to children from Year 5: Isabella, Sophia C, Isabel, Sophia P, Caitlin, Meryl & Patrick and to the Year 6 children: Amy, Eli-May, Jasmine, Roisin, Martha M, Florence, Annie, Cara, Jemima, Olivia, Sadie, Keiyona, Tiah, Ethan, Mathieu and James! Huge thanks to Miss Dalton and Mr O'Shea for all their hard work in putting this together.

**Year 6 Netball with Mrs Hoey and Mrs Moruzzi** – The Year 6 girls played two friendly matches against Walker on Wednesday afternoon. They won 22-0 and 6-1! Well done to the girls. **The Wednesday after school netball club has now finished for the season.** A big thanks to Mrs Hoey and Mrs Moruzzi for all their time, skill and expertise in running this club.

**Year 6 Football** – From Sami Mustafa, *"We played three matches at Broomfield School: St Michael at Bowes, Oakthorpe and St John and St James. We won 7-0, 2-0 and 4-0 and we came second in the league."* Very well done to the boys!

### **Diary Dates**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – On Palm Sunday** at St Monica's Church, there is 10.30am Mass with children's liturgy. Good Friday has a children's workshop for primary school children from 9-10.30am followed by a service at 10.30-11.15am in the church (parents/families welcome). Come and register on the day at the large hall. Easter Sunday Mass times are as usual.

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April – School opens for summer term** – summer uniform can be worn

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April – Non-uniform day for Reception Green Class** for bringing the most bags for the Happy Bag collection last week

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Non-uniform day for children in St Theresa's (blue team)** for winning the most house points this half term. If you have PE that day, make sure it's suitable for this.

### **Advance Notice:**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Maths Day** – children can dress up on a maths theme – more details to follow

Have a lovely Easter holiday.

Kind regards  
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Headteacher