



**St Hugh of Lincoln**  
Catholic Primary School  
In faith and love, we learn and grow



## Newsletter 11 March 2022

Dear parents and carers,

### **Order, Order! Year 6 Visit Parliament**

Last Friday, Year 6 went to London to learn about Parliament, the way our democracy works and the role of an MP. The House of Lords were in session when we visited so we just got to peak through the doors, but we were taken through the Division Lobbies and into the House of Commons. The children got to stand at the dispatch boxes and take the role of the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition. They also got to go on the green benches and learned where various parties and cabinet members sit in the chamber. After that, they had a workshop in the education centre where they learned how to debate a motion and vote on it, as well as learning about the role of the Speaker of the House. It was a wonderful experience and the children (and adults!) really enjoyed it. They put forward a motion to abolish homework, and after a heated debate, I'm sorry to report the motion was carried!



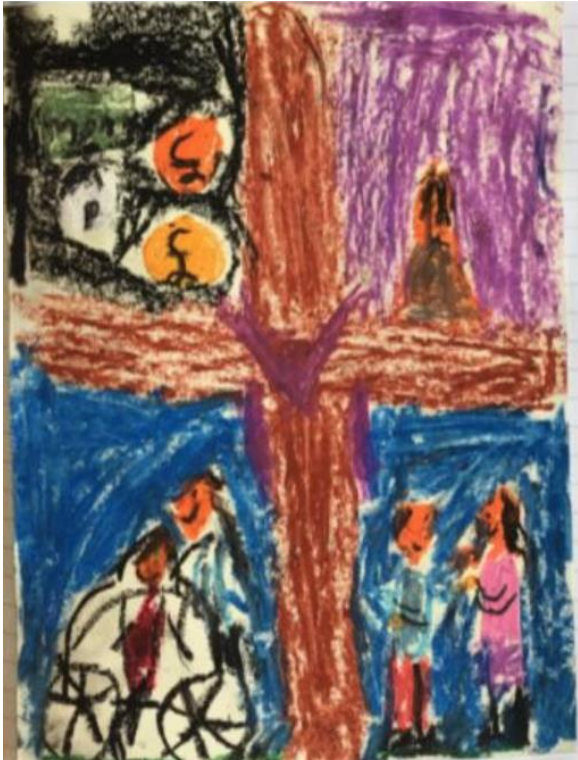




Once they'd finished their tour of Parliament, the children walked to the National Gallery for lunch and were lucky enough to be shown around a selection of the incredible paintings which were "brought to life" for them by a member of the National Gallery's education department. It was a wonderful day, and one I'm sure they will remember for years to come.



### Learning about giving in Year 3



As part of their topic 'Giving All' in RE, Year Three have been learning how Lent is an opportunity for giving. The children chose how to describe this and made fantastic responses through art and drama. At the end of the lesson, the children reflected on how they could each 'give', during Lent.



### Amazing Creativity in Reception



I saw some incredible team working, problem solving and creativity in Reception class this week. Completely independently, the children worked together to build a racing car out of old cardboard tubes, tyres and a wheel. Future engineers in the making!

## Lent fundraising – sponsored walk for Ukraine



**CAFOD  
DEC MEMBER  
TOGETHER  
WE'RE  
STRONGER**

**CAFOD**  
Catholic Agency for  
Overseas Development

The children have begun their sponsored walk of the playground to raise money during Lent. Every day until we break up for Easter, the children are going to be walking five laps of the playground to raise sponsorship money. The funds raised will go CAFOD, and we are asking that they go to support the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine through CAFOD's membership of the Disasters Emergency Committee. Sponsorship forms were sent home in the children's book bags this week and the children participated in a special assembly created by CAFOD, to tell them about CAFOD's work as part of the DEC and why Ukrainian families need our support.

Hopefully, we can match the fantastic sums raised by the children at Christmas for the hospice.

## Wellbeing Ambassadors

On Wednesday, children across Key Stage Two took part in a morning of training from a charity called 'Eikon'. They engaged in a range of activities that helped them to learn about the 'five ways to wellbeing'. Then, in teams they thought of ideas for how they could share the 'five ways to wellbeing' with the rest of the school and presented their ideas to Mrs Pickard. The children had fabulous ideas such as a wellbeing week and wellbeing club. Watch this space to see their ideas in action! Well done to all of the children who took part for being outstanding ambassadors of our school and engaging with great enthusiasm and maturity.

If you would like to find out more about Eikon, please visit their website via the link below:

<https://eikon.org.uk/>





## Year 4 bikeability

Year 4 had fabulous weather this week for the cycling lessons with the bikeability team. The children really enjoyed learning how to cycle safely. Many thanks to the two cycling coaches from the bikeability scheme who worked so well with the children.



## **Relationships education – Journey in Love**

As part of our commitment to work in partnership with parents, I always write to you to let you know when we have a lesson coming up from the Journey in Love scheme of work. In the autumn term, the children learned the, “Social and Emotional,” lessons in the scheme and this term we will be focusing on the, “Spiritual.” The learning intention for each year group is:

Reception class: To celebrate the joy of being a special person in God’s family.

Year 1: To celebrate ways that God loves and cares for us.

Year 2: To celebrate ways of meeting God in our communities.

Year 3: To celebrate the joy and happiness of living in friendship with God and others.

Year 4: To celebrate the uniqueness and innate beauty of each of us.

Year 5: To celebrate the joy of growing physically and spiritually.

Year 6: To show an understanding of how being made in the image and likeness of God informs decisions and actions when building relationships with others, including life-long relationships.

If you would like any further information about the lessons please ask your child’s class teacher during your parents’ evening consultation and we will be happy to answer any questions.

In the summer term, we move onto the lessons regarding physical development and sex education (the sex education aspect of the curriculum is taught in year 6 only, and year 5 learn about puberty).

We will be in touch in the summer term with details of workshops for parents where we will share the lesson materials and allow the opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have. As parents, you have the right to ask to withdraw your children from sex education and this will be explained in more detail at these workshops.

## **Easter Raffle**

In the lead up to the end of term the Friends are running some Easter activities, concluding on Friday 1st April with a Cake and Treat sale, and Crafts after school from 1:00 to 2:00 in the KS2 playground.

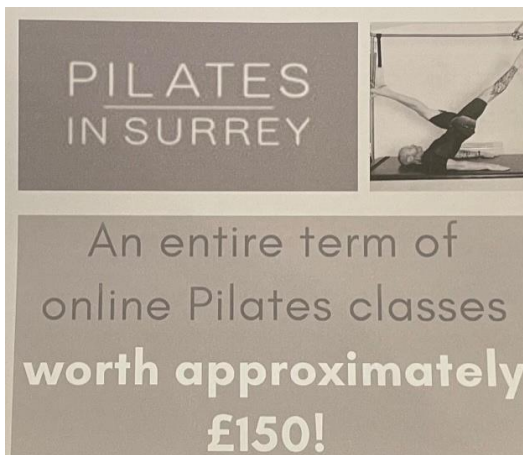
There will be a Design an Easter Egg competition, Name the Bunny and Guess How Many Eggs in the Jar. Winners will be announced in the afternoon on Friday 1st April.

The Friends would be grateful for any kind donations of wrapped Easter sweets, these can be dropped at the school office. They will be also be collecting any cake donations from Thursday 31st March.

There is also an Easter Raffle being drawn live on Facebook on 12th April at 7pm. There are five amazing hampers to be won:



- First prize is a terms worth of online Pilates lessons worth £150 courtesy of @pilatesinsurrey.
- Second prize features a basic car valet worth £60 and technical Lego plus many other fabulous prizes for all the family.
- Third prize features a small graze box from the amazing @littleplatterco plus great gifts for all the family.
- Fourth prize features an afternoon tea for 2 adults and 2 children donated by @thecakemerchant and some Easter treats.
- Fifth prize has a blink box beauty voucher and many fabulous Easter treats.



All hampers have been sponsored by AGB electrical Services providing Easter goodies and delights.

Tickets for the raffle can be bought on Classlist under the Events and Parties tab.

### **INSET day Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

Remember, next Wednesday is an INSET day and the school will be closed for teacher training.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone,

God bless, Mrs Harper