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Dear Parents

### Stars of the Week

<b>Reception</b>	<b>Raiyah</b> for having a really mature attitude to learning – you always listen carefully and take part in everything
<b>St Cecilia</b>	<b>Alistair</b> for excellent listening
<b>St Bernadette</b>	<b>Gabriel</b> for setting an amazing example of excellence
<b>St Anthony</b>	<b>Ben</b> for super effort in sewing class producing a lovely bear
<b>St Christopher</b>	<b>Oana</b> for excellent participation in class discussions this week

### Good Disciples of the Week

<b>Reception</b>	<b>Nicholas</b> for having beautiful manners – always polite and thoughtful
<b>St Cecilia</b>	<b>Ralph</b> for working hard to keep our playground tidy
<b>St Bernadette</b>	<b>Estani</b> for always making good choices
<b>St Anthony</b>	<b>Leo</b> for being caring and checking on his classmates when they are not feeling well
<b>St Christopher</b>	<b>Niyya</b> for being an amazing friend

Well done to you all.

### Reconciliation Service

Next Thursday Key Stage 2 children will be going to St Peter's Church for a Lenten Reconciliation Service. Children will have the opportunity for individual confessions. This will be during the afternoon and we should be back at school by 3.15 pm.

### Spring Disco Reminder

Today is the Spring Disco organised by St Christopher's for their residential trip to Kingswood. Tickets can be purchased on the door for £5 – please try and bring exact money. Thank you for your support.

### Attendance

Well done to Haidar who was the winner of our 'good attendance' pencil.

### Football

On Monday 11 March 2024 we played a home match against Danesfield. It was very equally matched! Niko opened the scoring with an excellent goal, Danesfield began their push and despite Ben's amazing effort in goal, by half time the score was 1 – 2 to Danesfield. We were hopeful after the break with the prospect of shooting downhill

we could even it up. Sadly it wasn't to be and the match ended 1 - 6 to Danesfield.

### **Parents' Evening Reminder**

Parents' Evening is Tuesday 19 March 2024 (A - L) and Thursday 21 March 2024 (M - Z).

### **First Holy Communion Preparation Reminder**

The next session is this Saturday 16 March 2024 2.00 - 4.00 pm.

### **Gardening Weekend**

A huge thank you to all those that gave up their time last weekend to work in the school grounds. On Saturday we were able to clear a huge amount of overgrown vegetation at the front of the school, clear away long grass creating neat flowerbeds around each fruit tree, strim and mow all grass and tidy and clean all the area outside the Reception classroom. We also cleared lots of litter, hung knotted flowers on the front gate and cleared away debris from under hedges. On Sunday, Mr Ndoci (Christopher Y1 and Beta Y5) came with a team of workers to remove the tired pallet fence surrounding our vegetable garden and replace it with a new fence. They worked all day in the rain and will continue this Sunday to complete the job. On behalf of the whole school, we would like to say a huge thank you for the generosity with time, labour and resources shown here - it really is so overwhelming. If you feel you could offer any support/time/resources to school in any shape or form then please let us know. We really must pull together to help make our school as fantastic as we can.

### **Parent Survey**

Thank you to all of you who completed the recent Parent Survey. The results will be given to the Governors and they will be discussed at their next meeting at the end of the month. Next steps will be shared with you early next term.

### **Toys in school**

A gentle reminder that children should not be bringing any of their own toys into school. Toys from home create nothing but distraction from learning and regular upset if items are lost or damaged in any way. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

### **Mass**

The final Mass of the term will be on Wednesday 27 March 2024 at 9.30 am in the school hall.

### **Second hand Book Fair : Thursday 21 March 2024 at 3.15 pm in the KS1 Playground Shelter**

A great range of children's books at great prices! This is a St Christopher's fundraiser with proceeds going to the Kingswood Residential Trip.

### **Gardening Club**

Please email the office with your child's name if you would like them to attend Gardening Club after the Easter holidays. Names must be sent by Wednesday 20 March 2024 so that Mrs Boyle and Mrs Colley can allocate places. A reminder that Gardening Club is aimed at children who have a keen interest in gardening and are interested in learning new skills. We have lots of work to do in the garden next term so willing and motivated children are most welcome!

## KS1 Homework Club and Book Club

There will be no more KS1 Homework or Book Club this term. Mrs Ross and Mrs Gerrard will contact parents about next term's clubs.

## Lenten Lunches

Every Friday from 16 February 2024 – 22 March 2024 12.00 – 2.00 pm at Pugin Hall, St Peter's Church. A bowl of soup, bread, tea/coffee £5. All money to Third World Aid.

## Walk for Autism

I'm taking part in Walk for Autism. I'll be walking 10,000 steps a day for 8 days and fundraising to help change the lives of people on the autism spectrum. Please sponsor me if you can!

<https://fundraise.autisminitiatives.org/fundraisers/dowlingtracey> <https://fundraise.autisminitiatives.org/s/27250/29666/w>

Miss Dowling (Amelia, St Anthony's & Alistair, St Cecilia's)

## STCAT Summer Internships 2024

Our St Thomas Catholic Academy Trust family of schools is delighted to be working in partnership with Xavier Teach SouthEast in offering the opportunity to undergraduates interested in teaching for a 3-week, school-based Internship placement between 24 June and 12 July 2024.

Have any of your family members or friends, who are currently studying for a degree, expressed an interest in teaching? This could be the opportunity for them to experience first-hand what life is like as a school teacher, in either a primary or secondary setting. For more information and application details, please go to our webpage – **STCAT Summer Internships 2024**.

## End of Term

School closes at 1.45 pm on Thursday 28 March 2024 for the Easter holiday and re-opens on Monday 15 April 2024 at 8.40 am (St Anthony's and St Christopher's) and 8.45 am everybody else.

Yours sincerely

**Miss A McCluskey**  
**Headteacher**

