



St John Fisher Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to school and Happy New Year to all of you. I hope that 2024 will be another successful and wonderful year for St John Fisher School.

Key dates for Spring Term 2024

Tuesday 30 th January	KS2 Mass @10.30 – all welcome
Tuesday 30 th January	Islam Workshops – whole school
Thursday 1 st February	Growth Mindset workshops – whole school
Monday 5 th February	School Journey – Year 6
Thursday 8 th February	Valentine Disco – our love for one another
Monday 12 th February	HALF TERM – NO SCHOOL
Tuesday 20 th February	Money Course – Year 5 and Year 6
Monday 26 th February	The Blitz through Connie's eyes – Year 6
Tuesday 27 th February	Money Course – Year 5 and Year 6
Tuesday 27 th February	KS1 – Prayer Service @10.30 – all welcome
Friday 1 st March	Year 3 trip to Tump 53
Tuesday 5 th March	Reading Fun with Parents
Friday 8 th March	Big Lent Walk – whole school
Tuesday 19 th March	Year 3 and Year 4 – Science Museum Trip
Thursday 21 st March	Year 5 and Year 6 – Science Museum Trip
Tuesday 26 th March	Whole School Mass @10.30 – all welcome
Tuesday 26 th March	Easter Reflection led by Year 5 – 2pm
Thursday 28 th March	Break up for Easter



Adverse Weather Conditions

In the case of adverse weather conditions where the school may be closed please check the school website www.sjf.bexley.sch.uk.

If for some reason the school website is unavailable then you can go straight to the Schools Opencheck site which is on

<https://opencheck.atomwide.com/Default.aspx>

Parents without internet access can phone 020 8408 7508 and enter the school's DfE number which is 3033505 to get the same information, or as a last resort you can phone the Bexley Contact Centre on 020 8303 7777.

Parking outside the school

Thank you to the parents are working with the school – it has been noted by the Housing Wardens, the Police and the local residents how much safer the road is.



HOWEVER

We still have some families that do not follow the schools directions and can be very rude when asked to move their car when they are blocking other drivers.

Advance warning for World Book Day Thursday 7th March – any characters from any text – bring your book with you!



Any concerns please contact the school office.





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Valentines Celebration

Thursday 8th February



Come to school wearing Red or Pink

Spend the day learning about LOVE - How much God loves us and how we should love one another

Tuesday 5th March

Reading Fun with Parents

9am

Come along and share the joy of reading with your child and their friends.



The **more** that
you read, the
more things
you will know.
The **more** that
you learn, the
more places
you'll go.

Dr. Seuss

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BIG LENT WALK

FRIDAY 8TH MARCH 2024

WALK WITH US - WE AIM TO WALK 200KM TO HELP FIGHT GLOBAL POVERTY

Let us challenge ourselves and take on The Big Lent Walk! Walk where we walk with our friends to raise money to help people as they overcome poverty.

The money raised by taking part in the Big Lent Walk will enable CAFOD to continue to fight global poverty and working through expert local partners to bring real life change to communities overseas.

**Come to school wearing Bright Colours
£2.00**

Easter Reflection Resurrection Rock

Tuesday 26th March

Join us as Year 5 and Year 4 lead us through the
Easter Story

Starts at 2pm

All are Welcome





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#GivePrayerAGo

To mark the New Year and the Year of Prayer, as designated by the Holy Father, Pope Francis, the Archdiocese of Southwark will be encouraging people to
#GivePrayerAGo

Prayer is strength for the weak and opens our hearts to Christ. Prayer is our way of welcoming Christ into our hearts. It will never make anything worse and can only make things better.

But too often, we can all find it difficult to pray. We put up barriers between ourselves and Christ. How often have you said or thought: I'm too busy to pray or even you that don't know how or where to start?

The biggest challenge is often just beginning.

So together, let's Give Prayer A Go. By opening our hearts to the Lord Jesus, we become strong.

As Archbishop John Wilson said:

"If we ask, we will be heard. If we seek, we will be found. If we knock, the Lord Jesus will open the door. Prayer builds peace."

If you don't know where to start, why not follow the advice of Archbishop John and begin by saying the Our Father - the prayer the Lord Jesus taught us - when you wake up and before you go to sleep.

Our Father,
Who art in Heaven,
hallowed be Thy name;
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Amen

