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Dear Parents

Our first halfterm is over and here we are at the beginning of the second half of the Spring Term - time is going very quickly, it will soon be Easter! Thank you for your continued support.

Key dates for February/March/April 2023

Wednesday 22nd February ASH WEDNESDAY
Thursday 23rd February Reading Fun with Parents

Thursday 2nd March NEU STRIKE - Yrs 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Friday 3rd March WORLD BOOK DAY

Friday 24th March Visit from Canon Victor Darlington

Tuesday 28th March Year 6 - Oscar Romero Mass @ St Georges

Friday 31^{st} March CRiBS - Easter Reflection Tuesday 4^{th} April Easter Mass - 10.30am

Wednesday 5th April

Year 5 lead 'The Easter Story' 2pm
Thursday 6th April

Break up for Easter @1.30pm

Monday 24th April Back to School

All you need is

<u>LENT</u>

As we are now in the season of Lent - let us remind ourselves what Lent is. Lent is the six-week period before Easter observed by many Christians.

It commemorates the 40 days during which Jesus fasted and resisted temptation from Satan.

During Lent, Christian people tend to fast or abstain from something; they also focus their prayer for the good of others and think about those less fortunate than themselves.

Together for lent let us all try to reflect upon this thought from Pope Francis - 'During Lent, let us find concrete ways to overcome our indifference.'

Pope Francis also reminds us that 'God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy.' - When we find times are hard let us all turn to God for his Grace and Mercy.

Lent at SJF

The staff and children will be doing something extra each day for others as we follow the Lent Period.

DINNER MONEY

Thank you to the parents who pay their dinner money every Monday. Please make sure you pay dinner money on time in an envelope with your child's name





















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School Uniform

ALL children are expected to be in correct school uniform.

GIRLS

GREY SKIRT
WHITE SHIRT
SCHOOL TIE
SCHOOL SWEATSHIRT
SCHOOL CARDIGAN
WHITE POLO SHIRT
BLACK/GREY/NAVY/WHITE
TIGHTS

BOYS

GREY TROUSERS
WHITE SHIRT
SCHOOL TIE
SCHOOL SWEATSHIRT
WHITE POLO SHIRT
BLACK OR GREY SOCKS

BLACK SHOES/BOOTS

NO TRAINERS TO BE WORN TO SCHOOL

NO LEGGINGS UNDER SKIRTS

Please make sure that your child/ren DO NOT have different colour braids or patterns cut into their hair.

Girls - hair same colour as their natural hair and ALL long hair tied back.

Boys -hair ONE length all over - No patterns/lines cut into their hair.

PARKING WARNING

The traffic at drop off and collection times is causing residents some issues.

During the School run please try to park by the flats at the end of Kale Road.

We are trying to encourage the children to walk to school so this is an ideal opportunity to compromise and walk part way.

Let us work together for the safety of all.

SCHOOL DATES 2023-2024

Copies of the schools dates for 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 are on the school website for information.

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

Advance warning for World Book Day Friday 3rd March

This year we are asking the children to come to school in their PYJAMAS and bring with them their favourite bedtime story. Throughout the day we will be sharing stories and our love of reading with our reading buddies.









Any concerns please contact the school office.





















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"And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites...But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. (Matthew 6:16-18)

No need to tell everybody what you've given up for Lent- if you've given up anything.

Keep it in secret.

It's a secret between you and God.





















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Then I turned my face to the Lord God, seeking him by prayer and pleas for mercy with fasting and sackcloth and ashes.

(Daniel 9:3)

All these outward things we do for Lent, the fasting, the time of silence and stillness, even wearing some different clothes, they are simply ways to help us do the inward things.

That is to seek God in Lenten prayers, asking for God's mercy.

















