



# HOLY CROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

6TH MARCH 2020 — NO.22



## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

What a great week it has been as we have shared our learning with you through our Parents' Evenings and celebrated World Book day.

We had Class photos taken on Monday so we look forward to seeing them soon.

I have also had the pleasure of listening to all of our Key Stage 2 children share their '**What Laudato Si means to us**' presentations this week. They have all worked as part of a group to put together ideas on what Pope Francis has shared in caring for our common home. I think any child who can get up in front of their classmates and talk deserves huge congratulations. The class winners will be asked to present to the parents soon and the overall winner for Years 3/4 and Years 5/6 will represent the school at the Catenians event at Notre Dame next week.

**WORLD BOOK DAY** has been another huge success. Thank you to so many parents who supported the children in getting them dressed up. There were some amazing costumes but, more importantly, the day celebrated reading and our love of it. Classes worked together and all enjoyed various stories. Thank you to Miss McCalley for organising the day.

I have always very much enjoyed **Parents' evenings** as it is such an opportunity for you to see exactly what your child has been learning and be part of that partnership. I received many positive comments about our shift to the meetings being in the hall, allowing the classrooms to be free for you to look with your child at their work in the classroom.

Thank you to those of you who have already completed the **Parent Questionnaire** and alerted your child's teacher so that you can be part of our prize draw. We realise it is a little more effort on your behalf to carry out an online survey and copying in the specific code. However, we very much appreciate every single response, especially if you make comments as well. For the last few years we have had 100 responses so I would very much like to at least match that. I am thinking of running the survey until the 20th March but will check on responses weekly.

### COVID-19, Coronavirus

We continue to share with you the latest advice from Public Health England. Headteachers from across CAST (our Multi-Academy Trust) are being kept up to date daily and the biggest single thing we can do currently is promote personal hygiene in how to wash our hands. We are aware that there is anxiety in the community but we will follow strict advice in minimising all risk.

Next week is National Science Week so Miss Bailey has organised various events including assemblies and talks for parents.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Cotter  
Headteacher



# Year 3/4 Football @ Goals



**Lots** of sporting events this week. On Wednesday Year 1/2 competed with eight other schools in the new Indoor Athletics event at Eggbuckland Community College. Year 3/4 had football at Goals with their friends within our Catholic schools cluster on Thursday, and years 5/6 competed in the level two Hockey Unisticks event at Brickfields Astro on Friday. Great fun was had by all!

The staff are very proud in the way that the children have represented our school.

# Year 1/2 Indoor Athletics







# WORLD BOOK DAY 2020





**Teddy Bear Toddle**  
The Charity Event For Children!  
**Sunday 5th of April**  
At Plymouth Cricket Club

The Teddy Bear Toddle is a short walk for families which starts and finishes at Plymouth Cricket Club, taking in the views over the Tamar Valley from Mount Wise. The event is designed to entertain all of the family and is pushchair friendly, we hope you can join the fun!

Complete the trail to receive a certificate and goody bag  
Bring your teddy bear and a picnic  
Meet Jeremiah, our friendly bear mascot  
Have your face painted  
Enjoy some games and a raffle

Food and Refreshments will be available to purchase from Plymouth Cricket Club

Registration from 10am  
Toddle Starts at 11am  
Adult £5 Child £4  
Family £15 (2 Adults + 2 Children)

To register please contact:  
Milly@jeremiahsjourney.org.uk  
01752 424948  
jeremiahsjourney.org.uk

Children raise £10  
or over in Sponsorship  
and get your entry for  
FREE

Tickets also available via Eventbrite!



Jeremiah's Journey  
Unit 10, 100 Business Centre  
221 Union Street, Searsville  
PL1 3AQ

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Registered Charity No. 114454 and Company No. 07207911

**DISCO**  
FRIDAY 13TH MARCH

**KS1 4:30 - 5:30**  
**KS2 5:45 - 7:00**  
**£2.00 ENTRY, TICKETS**  
**FROM OFFICE**  
EXTRA MONEY NEEDED FOR TUCK  
SHOP AND GLITTER TATTOOS. **PIC-COLLAGE**

**P T F A**  
Working together  
**School Disco**  
Friday 13th March  
KS1: 4.30pm - 5.30pm  
**£2.00**  
Admit 1

**DISCO TICKETS**  
**NOW ON SALE**  
**£2.00 PER TICKET**

**FRIDAY 13TH MARCH**  
**NEXT FRIDAY!!**

FS & KS1 Disco  
4.30pm - 5.30pm

**KS2 Disco**  
**5.45pm - 7.00pm**

**GODORYU KARATE**

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MANADON SPORTS & COMMUNITY HUB  
121 ST PETERS RD  
PLYMOUTH

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TRAINING TIMES ...TUESDAY 5 - 6 P.M.

A safe fun atmosphere for children to get fit, learn respect and focus. Don't forget we teach Mums and Dads too.  
You will need a licence to train, wear loose clothes. Instructor is Qualified Coach, CRB Checked and 1st Aid.  
Come along and Try!

Tel: 07778339099 ....1st session free!

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**UK Visas & Immigration**

**citizens advice**

We have been contacted by a volunteer at the Plymouth Citizens Advice Bureau who is currently working to raise awareness of the impending deadline for immigration status which is 30th June 2021.

As part of the campaign, a survey has been created where they can gather up to date data relevant to Plymouth and the surrounding area. If this is something you would like to help with, please follow the link below:-

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/G3VD7PP>

**Devon Junior Chess Association**  
[www.devonjuniorchess.co.uk](http://www.devonjuniorchess.co.uk)  
[devonjuniorchess@gmail.com](mailto:devonjuniorchess@gmail.com)

**CHESS**

**Devon Junior Chess Championships**  
**Schools Team Chess Competition U9 U11**  
**2019-2020**

**Sat 14th March 2020 9.30am-5.00pm**  
**Teign Academy Kingsteignton TQ12 3JG**

**ALL WELCOME**

**Details and entry form:**  
[devonjuniorchess.co.uk/events](http://devonjuniorchess.co.uk/events)




## Liturgy in School

Parents and parishioners are invited to join us for liturgy, 9am, Monday mornings.

The theme for our prayer and worship next week is:

*Shine Brightly*



Jesus, you shone with all the love and glory of God. I want to shine with God's love. Help me to keep changing to be more like you so that I can bring God's light into the world. Amen.

Thank you all for your support, as always. Have a nice weekend.

Mr Cotter, Miss Buscombe and all the staff at Holy Cross.



Julia Donaldson (FS):	Afnaan & Cerys
Simon James (Y1):	_____
Eric Carle (Y1/2):	Raya
Roger Hargreaves (Y2):	Eddie
Roald Dahl (Y3):	Hollie
David Walliams (Y3/4):	Ruben
Michael Morpurgo (Y4):	Emily
Emma Carroll (Y5):	Marcus
Anthony Horowitz (Y5):	Jesse
J K Rowling (Y6):	_____



Be In SCHOOL  
Be On TIME

EACH WEEK, WE RECOGNISE AND REWARD THOSE WITH THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE FOR ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY.

THIS WEEK THE AWARD GOES TO: -

DAVID WALLIAMS CLASS (Y3/4)

Well done on your excellent punctuality!!

**HOUSE POINTS**

*St Andrew*

*St Jude*

*St Teresa*

*St Julie*

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Here is a list of some important dates confirmed for this year.

All information is available on our website calendar.

**Friday 13/03/20**

**PTFA School Discos**

**Thursday 26/03/20**

**Whole School Mass**

**Friday 27/03/20**

**Last day of term**

**Tuesday 14/04/20**

**Summer Term commences**

**Friday 8/05/20**

**Early May Bank Holiday for VE Day**

**Friday 22/05/20**

**Non-pupil day**

**23/05/20 to 31/05/20**

**Half Term**

**Monday 01/06/20**

**Non-pupil day**

**Tuesday 02/06/20**

**Term Begins**

**Tuesday 21/07/20**

**Last day of term**