

St Nicholas Catholic Primary School

'Love one another as I have loved you'



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Dates

Date	Event
6-8 March	Y6 Residential
12/3/23	St Patrick's Parade
13 & 14 March	Parents evening
17/3/23	St Patricks Assembly
21 & 22 March	Easter Production
24/3/23	First Confessions
27/3/23	Poetry slam final
31/3/23	School Closes for Easter @ 1:15pm

Dates are subject to change. More details will be sent out for trips/events as they get closer.

Dear Parents

Charity is our focus virtue during Lent: Our Mini-Vinnies have taken a lead on fundraising during Lent. Please see below what is happening this week. Thank you for supporting the children where you can in their fundraising efforts.

Week beginning 6th March

Easter Egg raffle tickets on sale at break time all week 20p per ticket

8th & 9th March

Toast on sale at breaktime for Key Stage 1 children & Reception (20p a slice)



Reading: At St Nicholas, reading is a top priority. Do you read every night with your child? Can you help to inspire your child with reading? Is your child a member of the local library? Does your child read for pleasure or to find out new information? Thank you to all our parents who read nightly with their child. You are giving your child the greatest gift of all ... the gift of reading!

We had a fantastic week last week trying to inspire children to read with the reading café, dressing up, parents joining us to read... Thank you to everyone who contributed time and effort to make the week so successful.

School Direct: If you are interested in becoming a teacher, please contact

a.bove@stanthonysleeds.org.uk. They are looking for quality graduates for their Primary and Early Years Route for September 2023. If you know of any potential candidates, please do pass on this information.

Book Fair: The annual book fair will arrive at school from **Friday 10th March – Thursday 16th March**. At the book fair, you will be able to buy a range of high-quality books. The book fair will take place on the school playground. A further letter will follow closer to the time with more information.



Virtue to Live by is: Charity

Parents Evening: Parents evenings will take place on 13th and 14th March. Anyone who didn't book an appointment via the 'Schoolcloud' portal an appointment has been made for you. You should have received a confirmation email with details of your appointment

Residential: Our Year 6 children have headed off today on their residential. We are trying a new venue this year; it is a brand new PGL in Newby Wiske.

If you want to take a look:

<https://www.pgl.co.uk/en-gb/school-trips/primary-schools/centres/newby-wiske-hall>



Snow

There is snow currently in this week's weather forecast. We will always endeavour to keep school open as long as staff numbers make it viable and safe to do so.

If we are to close due to the weather, we will try to send a text to you and put it on the website and soon as possible. If the School Office do not have your most recent mobile phone details could you please notify them so that our records can be kept up to date.

St Patrick's Day Parade: The annual Leeds St Patrick's Day Parade is being held in Leeds City Centre on Sunday 12th March 2023. The event is held in Millennium Square and is a family event to celebrate the feast day of St Patrick. The day begins at 11am with a parade around Leeds City Centre. The parade returns to Millennium Square for 12pm and is followed by Irish music, dancing and celebrations. There is also a funfair and stalls for the children to enjoy.

This year, St Nicholas are entering a 'float' into the parade. This is a big truck which we are decorating in all things Irish, and will be driven around the parade route. We are very grateful to Mr Keville (dad to Louie & Blake) who has donated some materials to help us with this. We are looking for families of St Nicholas to join us on our float. As this is a family event, children must be supervised by a responsible adult the whole time.

If you would like to join us in this celebration, please return the reply slip that went out on Friday to school by **Monday 6th March 2023** so we have an idea of how many people we are expecting.



In our final week of term, we are planning to get ready for Easter. We will be hosting our annual Easter competitions.

Get your thinking caps on. There are three categories: Easter bonnet, Easter garden, Decorated egg.

All children can enter. You might want to get planning now! I cannot wait to see all our incredible entries once again.



Have a lovely week,
God Bless
Mrs Burns
Head Teacher