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# Spring Term March 2015

# NEWSLETTER

## Winners!

A huge congratulations to our School Council/ ECOol club children for winning the Speaker's School Council Award (8-11 years old category) for their work on dementia.

Six members represented the school and had a very memorable day at the Palace of Westminster, London. The prestigious trophy was presented by the Rt. Hon. John Bercow MP followed by the



children burying a time capsule on the new Education Centre site adjoining Westminster.

GOOD SHEPHERD All the classes have been taking turns to make scrumptious cakes, biscuits, drinks to sell and fun activities/games to play at playtimes as part of our 'Good Shepherd Appeal'. The monies raised will be shared between two well deserving charities: The Good Shepherd Appeal and CAFOD. A big thank you to parents for your support and kind donations. The grand total will be announced at the end of term.

### <u>Pride of Barnoldswick Award/Blue Peter</u> <u>Badges</u>

On Wednesday 4th March the children and staff from the ECOol club were presented with another award which recognised their outstanding work in the local area. The children had a few weeks earlier been presented in assembly with their 'Green' Blue Peter badges by our local MP Andrew Stephenson. These were given in recognition of all the hard work and commitment they had shown working together with their local community.

# St. Joseph's World Book Day

A big 'Thank you' to parents and children for making our Book Day so special. Children shared their love of books by reading to one another, discussing characters and plots and writing book reviews. Mrs Dixon launched the popular competition of Extreme Reading. Photographs need to be given to Mrs Dixon by the 30th March.



#### **Dates for your diary**

<u>Year 5/6 France trip:</u> Monday 16th March-Saturday 21st March.

Whole school Mass: Sunday 29th March at 10.30am (Palm Sunday)
Parents Evening: Monday 23rd

March and Monday 30th March.

Class I: Wednesday 25th and Monday 30th March.

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Monday 16th March at 6pm at St. Joseph's Church.

#### Jewish Synagogue / Leeds Museum

Trip for Year 4, 5 and 6 children on Tuesday 14th April (details to follow).

Year 6 SATs week: 11th - 14th May.

#### Sacrament of First Holy

**Communion:** Sunday 7th June at 10.30am at St. Joseph's Church.

School closes 3.30pm on Thursday 2nd April and reopens after the Easter holidays on Monday 13th April at 8.55am.

#### **SIKH TEMPLE / PRESTON MUSEUM VISIT**



Children from Year 2 and Year 3 had a fabulous trip on Wednesday 25th February when they visited a Sikh Gurdwara. The children asked some very interesting questions and were fascinated by the Holy Book (Guru Granth Sahib). Following the Gurdwara the children enjoyed looking around the museum in Preston, which has an excellent display of Word War I and World War II memorabilia. Also on display was the Viking hoard that was found in Silverdale. The children saw a great display of Viking jewellery and coins. Thank you to all the volunteers who accompanied this trip.

**ADVANCED WARNING!!** Our annual Decorated Easter Egg Competition will take place in the last week of term so get your creative minds ready! (Details to follow shortly)

#### **Sports Update:**

<u>Football:</u> Well done to Year 5/6 football team who came first overall in the Pendle League. They went on to represent Pendle in Skelmersdale and came 3rd, a great achievement boys!

**Netball:** Good luck to our netball team who have earned a place in the Champions final in March.

Athletics: Both our Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 teams came first overall in the family cluster competitions.

**Tag Rugby:** Our Year 5/6 team played extremely well and came first out of six teams. They are looking forward to participating in the final in March.

If you have any queries regarding items on this newsletter please come and see Mrs Henderson (Deputy Headteacher). Global Renewables Global renewables have been working alongside Class 5 to raise awareness of the three 'Rs': Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Sue, from Global Renewables, has led two enjoyable and interactive school workshops in school and the children had a very enjoyable trip to Leyland to visit the recycling site. The children were amazed at the amount of rubbish Lancashire collects on a daily basis. They saw how the rubbish was sorted and how complex the operation was if we don't recycle. We were successful in our lunch waste challenge where we topped the leader board with 0% waste! Well done parents for supporting this.

