

# Laleham Lea

A Catholic Independent School for boys and girls aged 3 to 11

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#### **Dear Parents**

I do hope you all enjoyed a relaxing half term break; we have returned for a busy few weeks ahead.

On Tuesday our assembly and Liturgy marked Shrove Tuesday and on Wednesday the start of our Lenten Journey; we discussed the importance of Ash Wednesday and Jesus' time in the desert.

Our Lenten charity this year is CAFOD's Turkey and Syria earthquake campaign and students have been encouraged to give up something for Lent and donate the money they would have spent on the Wishing you all a lovely weekend. thing they have given up to those desperately in need of help following the devastating earth quakes. Collection jars are in classrooms for your donations. Thank you for your generous support with this.

Parent Consultations take place next week. If you have not had a chance to book an appointment, please contact your child's Class Teacher to secure your time.

Our Eco-School planning is developing well with our Eco-Committee and we thank them for this.

Well done to our former pupil Ben Waghorn who has made his England Rugby under 20s debut and is in the squad who face Wales in the 6-Nations today. Congratulations Ben.

Ms K Barry

Head teacher

#### Matthew 4: 1-11

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, turn these stones into loaves." But Jesus replied with God's word saying, "Scripture says: 'Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." The tempter then took him to the top of the Temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down; for scripture says: 'He will put you in his angels' charge and they will come to save you." Jesus said to him, "Scripture also

says: 'You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Next, the tempter showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. "I will give you all these," he said, "if you fall at my feet and worship me." Then Jesus replied, "Be off, Satan! For scripture says: 'You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone." Then the tempter left him, and angels appeared and looked after Jesus.



## **Nursery**

Nursery have been exploring 'Spring' this week and enjoyed a variety of activities including:

- Viewing a presentation all about spring and answering questions to reinforce their understanding.
- Using a variety of mark making tools and paints to create their own picture of spring.
- Completing the spring-themed Phase 2 initial sounds.
- Exploring a small bunch of flowers using a magnifying glass.
- Completing a cutting and sticking activity, placing parts of a plant into the correct order and naming them.
- Continuing our learning further, next week Nursery are excited to be planting their own Sunflowers.





### Reception

This week, Reception Class has been enjoying our exciting new topic 'Dinosaurs'. Everyone had the opportunity to present their amazing Dinosaur Home-Learning Facts to the class and all enjoyed asking and answering questions about each other's work.

In Literacy, we have been discovering just how informative our dinosaur fact books are. We also enjoyed labelling our own dinosaur diagrams while listening for the sounds in our words.

In Maths, we have been comparing weights using direct comparisons and using a rocker balance. We learned a new song about 'lighter' and 'heavier', and pretended to be a balance, showing our understanding that the heavier side goes down and the lighter side goes up.

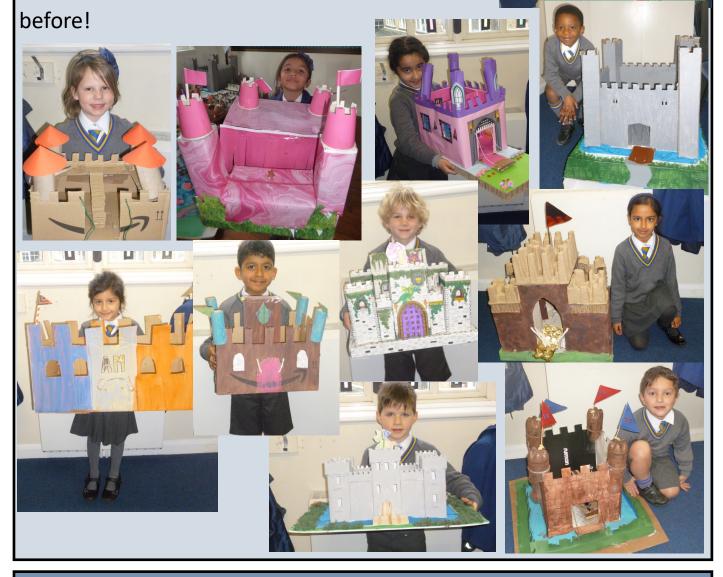
During 'Awe and Wonder' (RE), we gathered together to think about the importance of saying 'sorry'. Pupils each wrote the word 'sorry' on a sticky label and then stuck it to the person they wanted to say sorry to; they then told them why they were saying sorry. It really was a heart-warming experience to witness such honesty and thoughtfulness from our very young Reception children.







We clearly have some future architects and engineers in Year 1 who have made their own castles over the holidays on a scale never seen





# Year 2

Year 2 have written their own thoughtful Lenten prayers this week and also thought about what they would like to give up for Lent and why.

### Year 3

Year 3 were very busy over half term with their 'Robots' project and have made some amazing creations of all shapes and sizes!





## Year 4

This week Year 4 have reflected upon the meaning of Lent and begun writing daily intentions for the next 40 days. They have thought carefully about sacrifice, prayer and almsgiving.

### Year 5

Year 5 planned out their Lenten journeys this week and wrote their own prayers and Lenten promises.



Year 6

As part of their topic on North America, Year 6 made this impressive Totem Pole in Art.



# Former Laleham Lea Pupil is England Rugby Star!



Huge congratulations to former Laleham Lea pupil Ben Waghorn who made his debut for England Rugby's under 20s in their win against Italy just before half term and has been named in the match-day squad for today's 6-Nations game against Wales.

Well done Ben!

