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Laleham Lea

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Dear Parents

It has been a very busy week this week with the ISI Inspection team on site with us for three days. Thank you to you all for completing your surveys and to our students for their exemplary behaviour throughout the week as always.

It has been very much 'business as usual' for all classes who have welcomed inspectors into their classrooms to see their lessons in progress as well as their work. I will let you all know once the report is available.

Today Nursery and Reception enjoyed a visit from our local Fire Brigade as part of their topic 'people that help us'. They loved sitting in the fire engine and even got to have a go with the hose!

On Monday we start our Big Lent Walk led by Mrs Prashad who will be encouraging students to complete laps of the playground to support CAFOD. Details of how you can sponsor us and support this great cause are on page 2.

Wishing you all a lovely, restful weekend.

Mrs Reece

Acting Headteacher

House Points Scores

Wulstan

This week: 137

Total—2577

Alban

This week: 180

Total—2153

Edmund

This week: 164

Total—1996

Mayne

This week: 121

Total—1974

Dates for your diary

- Year 3 & 4 Swimming—March 27th
- March 18th—Year 4 Mass
- March 24th—Easter Concert
- March 25th—Year 3 Mass
- April 1st—Year 1 Mass
- April 4th—End of Term 2pm—No Clubs/ Late Leavers. Colourful Mufti-Day for CCS.



THE CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL



We started our week with our Celebration of The Word Assembly in which we discussed the meaning and importance of Lent.

(Luke 4:1-4)

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread." Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone.'"

We also discussed our Lenten promises and our exciting fund raising activities over this Lenten period.

Easter Gardens

We are looking forward to seeing everyone's Easter Gardens that were highlighted in everyone Curriculum Maps for this half term. For inspiration, here is one created by a member of staff. We hope to make a beautiful display of all gardens outside over the coming weeks.



Mini Vinnies



Our Mini Vinnies enjoyed a visit from volunteers at John The Baptist's St Vincent De Paul group on Monday to judge our Jubilee Poster competition. Our lucky winners received their prizes in assembly today!



The Big Lent Walk



Our Big Lent Walk starts on Monday in the playground.

Thank you to everyone who has sponsored us so far, we have already raised almost £600 and haven't started walking yet!

Your donations are going to a very good cause so if you haven't already, please do support us if you can. Follow the link below to make your donation.

<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/laleham-leas-big-lent-walk>

Nursery

This week Nursery have been looking at the topic 'People that help us' the children have been participating in a variety of activities including:

- Using role-play to share our own experiences of people that help us.
- Listening to a story called 'The Dentist Trip' and answering questions to reinforce our understanding.
- Reinforcing our cutting skills by matching up the correct uniform to different occupations.
- We also enjoyed a special visit from the fire brigade along with our Reception Class friends, where we explored the fire truck and got to use the hose!



Nursery and Reception Fire Brigade Visit



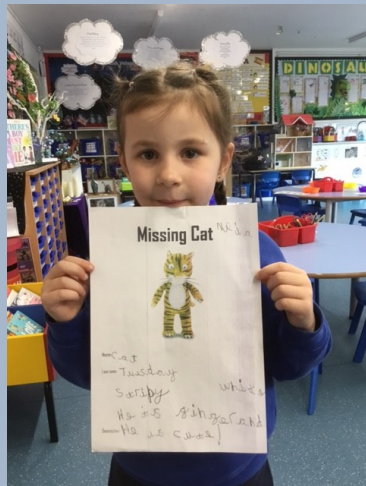
Reception

We've had an exciting week in Reception, diving into the world of 'Spring, Planting, and Growing!'. The children created their own detailed plant diagrams and labelled the parts, created colourful pastel drawings of daffodils, and planted beautiful flowers to take home and care for.

In Maths, we've been exploring how to find 1, 2, or 3 more than a given number, with the help of a playful toy frog hopping along the number line!

In Literacy, we've been enjoying the story Room on the Broom. We received a scroll from the Witch, telling us that her cat had been blown off the broom in a storm and asking for our help to find it. The children eagerly created "Missing Cat" posters in an attempt to solve the mystery. When a cat, strikingly similar to the one in the story, appeared beneath one of our door posters on Thursday, the children were absolutely astounded!

We were delighted to welcome the Fire Brigade into school today to visit our Nursery and Reception classes. The children had a wonderful time, talking with the fire fighters, sitting in the fire engine, seeing the hose in action, and best of all setting the siren off! What an unforgettable week!



Year 1



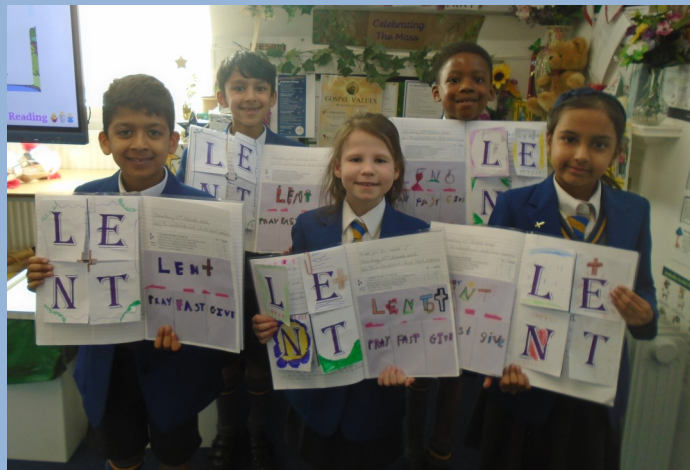
Year 1 enjoyed some drama in their English lesson this week when they were tasked with acting out scenes from 'The Very Quiet Cricket', one of the many fabulous Eric Carle books we are studying this term.

Year 2

In Science Year 2 have been looking closely at the parts of a seed that will grow into a plant and explaining how it will germinate. They had fun at dissecting a kidney bean and identifying all the different parts of a seed. Children planted cress seeds and have been discussing all the different things a plant needs to stay healthy.

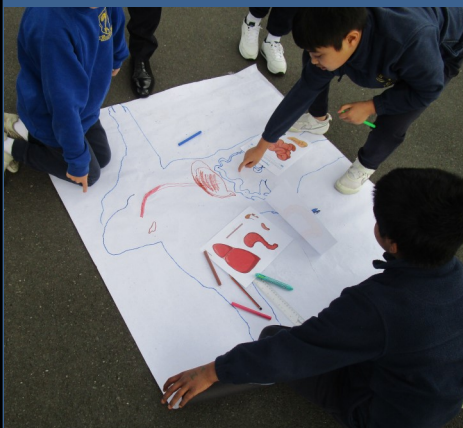


Year 3



Year 3 have been writing their Lenten Prayers and promises in their booklet and Lenten pockets.

Year 4



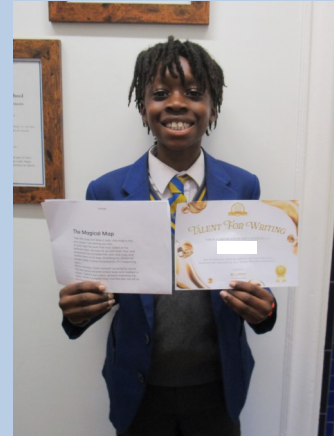
This week Year 4 have learnt all about nutrition and the digestive system. Mrs Khan challenged all pupils to take part in some outdoor learning where they worked collaboratively in groups to recreate their digestive system without any support but merely their ability to retain information as a group.

Year 5



Year 5 have compiled their own glossaries of Shakespearean language and used them to write emotive letters from Macbeth to Lady Macbeth.

Writing star



A huge 'well done' to our Year 5 writing superstar writer who is a published author for the second year running!

Year 6



Year 6 have written some beautiful accounts of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem from the point of view of the donkey that carried him.

Stars of the week





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**CONTRACT
CATERING
Awards**
2025 WINNER

WE WON BIG AT THE 2025 CONTRACT CATERING AWARDS!

We are absolutely thrilled to share that Nourish has been recognised in a big way at the 2025 Contract Catering Awards!

A huge congratulations to our incredible founder, Annette Ryan Murphy, for winning:



**SENIOR EXECUTIVE
OF THE YEAR**

**EDUCATION
AWARD**



The ceremony celebrated 15 outstanding winners, honoring their dedication and hard work in the industry. We are so proud to be part of this achievement and to see Annette's passion and leadership recognised at such a prestigious level.

This is a huge moment for Nourish, and we couldn't have done it without our amazing team. Here's to continued success!

