



March 6th 2026

Laleham Lea

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

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Dear Parents,

It has certainly been an action-packed week once again at Laleham Lea.

We all had a lovely day dressing up for World Book Day yesterday—although students were a little confused who their teachers were at times!

Today we were joined by Rise Theatre for a wonderful day of theatre and workshops as we explored our Catholic Social Teaching Principles.

Our Maths Quizzers took part in the online semi-final on Tuesday and faced some very tough questions. They did a brilliant job and we are extremely proud of all their hard work in making it this far.

Good luck to our Girls' Football Team are travelling to Coloma School on Wednesday for the Catholic Schools' Girls tournament.

Year 3 are looking forward to visiting the Science Museum on Monday. Thank you to Mrs Picket for organising this and to our parent volunteers too.

I would like to thank all of our staff and students for their incredible hard work this week as we hosted Inspectors for our Catholic Schools' Inspection—the outcome of which should be available by the end of term. Thank you also to all of you, our parents, for your responses to the Inspection questionnaires and ongoing support as always.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Reece—Headteacher

House Points

Wulstan

This week— 251

Total—3266

Alban

This week—257

Total—2832

Edmund

This week—227

Total—2940

Mayne

This week— 271

Total— 3075

Dates for your Diary

- March 9th—Science Museum Y3
- March 11th—Girls Football @ Coloma
- March 12th—Year 5 & 6 Swimming
- March 16th—Easter Concert
- March 17th/19th—Parent Consultations.
- March 19th—Break the rules day for EVCU
- March 20th—LAMDA exams
- March 26th—Year 5 & 6 Swimming
- March 27th—Term ends 2pm.

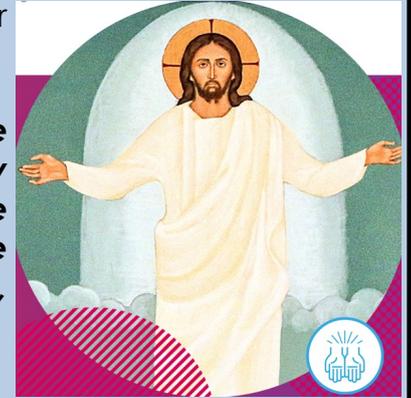


The Catholic life of the school



In our Celebration of the Word assembly on Monday we discovered how during the Transfiguration, Jesus chose to reveal His glory to those who were closest to Him. We are invited to be Jesus' closest friends and see His glory too. This Lent, we can say 'Yes!' to glorifying Jesus for who He is and the amazing love He has for us.

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus. (Matthew 17:1-3)



Gospel Values

Well done to this week's Gospel Values award winners for showing our values of **Compassion, Gentleness, Justice, Love, Forgiveness** and **Hope**.



Stations of the Cross

Laleham Lea Families are warmly invited to attend. St. John the Baptist church Youth Club - leading the Stations of the Cross on March 13th.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST YOUTH CLUB INVITE YOU TO

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

13 MARCH 2026
FRIDAY, 7:30 PM
AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

20 MINUTES OF MEDITATIVE PRAYER AND SONG CREATED AND PERFORMED BY AND FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

THIS IS AN ACCESSIBLE EVENT, DESIGNED TO BE ENJOYED BY ALL AGES

Rise Theatre

We were delighted to welcome Rise Theatre to Laleham Lea today for a day of exploring our Catholic Social Teaching Principles with drama and workshops for Reception—Y6.





WORLD
**BOOK
 DAY**
 5 MARCH 2026

Nursery



Continuing the topic of Spring, this week Nursery has had a fun filled week of activities including the excitement of a special visitor 'Karen's Pets and Ponies'!

The children listened to a short poem called 'Hello to Spring'. Children discussed how the poem made them feel and were encouraged to draw a picture of all the things the poem made them think about.



We also used our fine motor skills to create a flower, then we challenged ourselves to complete the spring counting task.

We have had lots of fun celebrating world book day, taking part in lots of activities and sharing our favourite stories with our peers.



Reception

It has been a truly heart-warming week in Reception as we explored the story of Zacchaeus. The children have been reflecting on the importance of saying sorry and showed great empathy while creating "happy and sad" faces to represent Zacchaeus's changing emotions. We brought the story to life through puppet shows and thoughtful recount writing. In our math's lessons, we linked the theme to our learning by weighing silver coins and practicing how to share them equally.

The excitement continued on Thursday for World Book Day! Our classroom was transformed into a sea of imagination, featuring everything from Robin Hood to Sleeping Beauty. It was wonderful to hear the children speak so confidently as they shared their favourite characters and stories with their peers.

We were delighted to welcome the Mini Vinnies to Reception in the afternoon, along with Mrs De Rosa and Mrs Hall, who joined in with reading some lovely stories to celebrate World Book Day with us.

To end the week we enjoyed a fantastic day of fun and learning with Rise Theatre who ran a treasure hunt theatre all about the seven principles of Catholic Social Teaching.



Year 1



This week Year 1 had a fantastic time celebrating World Book Day by writing all about their favourite book.

The class cannot wait to swap some of the books they have read with their friends next Tuesday.

Year 2

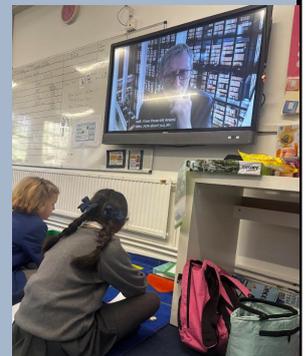


This week Year 2 have been learning about Mass in their RE lesson and learning more about The Last Supper.

Year 3

This week year three participated in an online workshop in conjunction with the British Library and Michael Rosen. They listened to Global food stories and learnt about the magical role food can have in stories.

They practised their drawings along with an illustrator and began to think of their own ideas for a food based story and looking ahead we will be creating our own mini books over this half term.



Year 4



This week in Year 4, the students made colourful pictures and posters about Brazil as part of their Geography topic on Rainforests.

Year 5

This week in Year 5 two of our students have created a winter scene in Art Club, using acrylic paints for the first time.



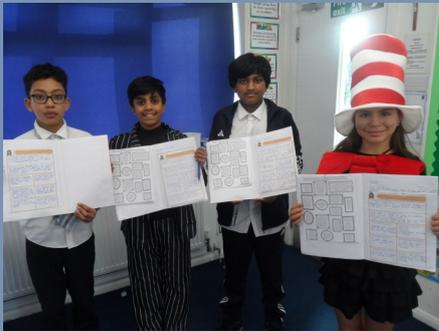
Tate Britain Trip

Our students enjoyed a highly successful and inspiring gallery trip to Tate Britain last week - earning praise for their exceptional manners and engagement from many members of the public while exploring works by Turner, Constable and Hockney.



Year 6

Year 6 is stepping back to the 1800s. As part of our Changing Roles of Women unit in History, we've explored the rigid etiquette rules Victorian women faced. From mastering the "language of the fan" to the ban on discussing politics, students discovered how these "polite" rules actually limited women's freedom. It's been eye-opening to compare these restrictions with the rights we enjoy today.



First Lego League

Global STEM competition

Well done to our Y6 student who competed in the Kent Regional Championship of the Global STEM Competition and won 2 awards; 1st Place — Robotics Performance Award and Overall Kent Championship Award.

She will now represent Kent at the UK National Competition in Harrogate on 25th April 2026.



Stars of the week

