

# St Begh's Catholic Junior School

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Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Children & Families,

## A Message from our School Council

On Monday, we had our monthly School Council meeting. In this meeting, we discussed key findings from our Pupil Wellbeing Survey carried out in Years 4 and 6 earlier in the year. As a result of the survey findings, we will be working hard to brainstorm ideas to improve our playtimes and lunchtimes to make them more enjoyable for our pupils.

For our fundraising for this half-term, we are going to be doing an Easter egg/ bonnet competition. Your task will be to design and create an Easter bonnet or egg. There will be a winner from each year group. Prizes will be kindly donated by Friends of St Begh's. It will cost £1 to enter and proceedings will go to our chosen charity for the year, ICU Steps. The deadline for entries will be Thursday 30th March, with winners announced on Friday 31st March. Please submit entries to your child's class teacher.

## A Message from our Eco Stewards

Our Eco Stewards are taking part in a national competition about the issues of single use plastic. As part of this competition, we are creating a collage piece made from single use plastic. We are asking the children to collect plastic bottle tops (not milk bottle tops because we've already got lots of these) and any coloured plastic trays from vegetables etc. to bring into school by Friday 17th March.

They are also organising a 'Big Toy Swap' on the last day of term Friday 31st March, to encourage the 're-use' of things that we no longer use. The children can bring in any toys they no longer play with that are still in good condition. A great chance for a tidy out!

#### Parents' Evenings

These are taking place next week. Please contact the School Office if you haven't already made your appointment.

# Information repeated from previous newsletters

#### Toddler Group

We are hoping to set up a Toddler group to run one morning a week in our School Hall. If you have any suitable toys in good condition that you are getting rid of, we would be really grateful for donations.



Walking hand in hand in the footsteps of Christ. We are His hands; We are His feet.













#### Painting Competition

Whitehaven Town Council are running a painting competition for pupils of all schools in the Parish of Whitehaven. The theme of the competition being 'Charles III – Our New Monarch'. The painting can be either in either pencil, paint (inc. oil and acrylic) and mixed media and must be no larger than A3 size.

All entries to be submitted to the Council before the end of Spring Term (Friday 31st March 2023) to allow time for judging. Attached is a competition entry form which must be completed for each individual entry and signed by the parent/guardian giving permission for the winning entry to be publicised and displayed in a Marquee showing an exhibition of photographs of the Royal Family from 1st May 2023 – 8th May 2023. Vouchers will be presented to the winning pupils and the school they attend.

Should you require any further information then please contact Whitehaven Town Council on 01946 67366 between office hours of 8:00am – 12:00pm, Monday to Friday or via this email address. We are emailing the entry form along with this newsletter today.

## Family Dinners

We are delighted to be starting our family dinners back up. We are starting with Year 3 on Friday  $3^{rd}$  March (a separate letter has gone for bookings); Year 4 on Friday  $10^{th}$ ; Year 6 on Friday  $17^{th}$  and Year 5 on Friday  $31^{st}$ .

Yours faithfully,

Catherine Mallard





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