

St Chad's Newsletter

7th February 2020

"At St. Chad's, we grow in the light of Christ, to share his love and reflect the gospel values."

In spite of our many pleas to be more considerate with parking, the area outside the school gate remains a danger to our children. This coming Monday, you will notice that we're stopping cars from parking on the double yellow lines and on the corner of Uxbridge Street. Please be respectful of the signs and park further away even if it means a having to park further down Hospital Street and walking. We hope that parents will be supportive of what we're doing in trying to make the our local community a safer place!

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THE SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER WILL BE IN ON THE 11TH FEBRUARY TO TAKE 'GROUP PHOTOS' AND THE 30TH APRIL FOR INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS.

Thank you to KS1 who led our Mass this morning in which we celebrated the life of St Josephine Bakhita. Fr Stephen told us that Josephine was born in Sudan and spent her early years as a slave, being treated very badly until an Italian family took her to Italy and treated her well, introducing her to Christianity. She eventually joined the 'Sisters of Charity' and will be remembered for telling people that she would forgive her captors. She is the Patron Saint of Human Trafficking survivors, a practice that still goes on in 2020 unfortunately. "St Josephine Bakhita, pray for us".

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This week some of our children were taking part in a dance competition and I was fortunate enough to see the group perform their routine for the school last week. It was a very prestigious event that took place at the Alexander Theatre in town. Well done to the children but also to our wonderful dance coaches - Miss Dartnell and Mrs Ashford who worked so hard to put the routine together.

Y5 are this week's best attenders with an unbeatable 100% so well done to them. Hopefully, we're nearing some better weather and the back of the coughs and colds that are keeping some children at home.

On Wednesday 12th February, there will be a meeting for all parents whose children will be receiving the sacraments. The meeting will take place in school at 3:30pm. Fr Tim and the staff will be leading this important meeting so do try to make sure you're able to attend.

Mrs Parker was so pleased with the number of parents who came to our Book Fair last week. I'm sure that many of you have enjoyed reading your half-price books. We're also putting new books in to our library, thanks to our friends at Wesleyan, so look out for them.

A very poor performance on the road (again!) led to another away - day defeat last week. It sees Villa just a point above the drop zone. If we're going to stay up now were going to have to do something we've not done yet and that's pick up a win against someone in the top half of the league.

Masses at the Cathedral are:-

Saturday at 4.30pm (First Mass for Sunday)

Sunday at 9am and 11am. 5th Sunday of Ordinary time

Matthew 5:13-16 "You are the Light of the World. A city built on a hill-top can not be hidden."

Star of the week this week is Michelle (Y2) who has really been trying hard in class.

Winners of our virtues certificates this week are Canaan, adam, Akiniya, Nardose, Elin, Jevontae, & Nazrawi.