

We join St Valentine, today, in valuing the place of love in our world. He was a great advocate of the place of love amongst all people, when it was outlawed in the 3rd century, amongst young people in favour of fighting. He was martyred for his bravery.

# **Upcoming Events**

Review

Spring term 2020 Summary of events to date

Please be aware that these may change or be added to as the term prog

<u>Month</u>	<u>Sacramental</u> <u>and Parish</u> <u>linked</u> <u>activities</u>	<u>School</u> <u>trips/visits</u>	<u>In School events</u>	<u>Additional</u> <u>Parental</u> <u>support</u>	Extra curricular <u>events</u>
<u>February</u>	9/2-9.30am Family Mass/Y3 Mass of Commitment 24/2 Confessions for Y6 21/2-Y6 Confirmation 7pm 26/2, Ab, Wednesday K52 children to Mass am K51 children penitential service in school pm	5/2 Reception trip to the Sea life Centre	2/2 Y3 prayer service 2.45pm   11/2 Safer Internet Day assemblies and lesson   focus today   14/2 -St Valentine's day themed School lunch {see Newsletters and flyers}   14/2 -Art exhibition in school am (details to follow)   28/2 Y3 class led assembly	12/2 Y3 Reconciliation Parents' talk 6.30pm	
<u>March</u>	20/3 2pm in church. Sacrament of Reconciliation for Y3 22/3 -9.30 am Mothering Sunday Mass (Y1 & Y2 ) <u>6/3</u> Y4 Sacrament of Reconciliation 1.30pm 13/3 Y5 sacrament of Reconciliation	5/3-Fitness and Wellbeing day in School 25/2 Stations of the Cross Walsall Catholic Cluster schools <u>service</u> , at St Mary the Mount Church 1.30pm 18/3, Y4 trip to Gladstone Pottery <u>IBC</u> Y5 trip Galleries of Justice	6/3 Y4 prayer service 2.45pm 9/3 School Council "Lunchbox watch" 2 13/3 Y2 prayer service 2.45pm 20/3 Y1 prayer service 2.45pm 2/13- Y2 Class led Assembly 9/10am 2/13- Y2 Class led Assembly 9/10am 2/13- EYFS prayer service 2.45pm 30/3_INSET Day – No Pupils in School Wk beg 31/3- R.E through Literacy	3/3 Phonics workshop for EYFS 2.45-3.15pm 31/3 and 1/4 Parents' Consultations after school	20/3- Mothers' Day Gift Shop (PTA) Details to follow

And Finally ...

We hope that you have a lovely half term. We look forward to your children returning in full uniform, fully refreshed, demonstrating excellent manners, in the second half of the school year. We will let you know if they do.

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### **CELEBRATING ART**

It was a lovely buzz in the hall, this morning - thank you to the many people who shared their pleasure in the Art Work, on show. I have passed it on to staff and children who worked hard in many ways. Particular thanks to Mrs Smith, our co-ordinator and to the School Council, who are always so helpful and on hand to explain things to parents. I received several compliments about them today.

Mrs Smith has asked that if you felt able to email your feedback to her, via postbox@st marvanael.walsall.sch.uk. she would be delighted to share it with staff and children.

From my perspective, I was completely "bowled over" by the impact of the subtle changes to Art Week. By that, I mean that staff have worked hard to link the Art with their Wider Learning Work. This was as follows:

- YN Balloon Paintings linking to R.E work on Celebrations
- YR– Fish canvases linking to their trip to the Sea life Centre
- Y1- Monet paintings, linking to their chosen artist and our MfL core language - Monet
- Y2 Modern Art, linking to their chosen artist – Kandinsky
- Y3 3d sculpture and Lanterns linking with Chinese New Year DT Evaluative work
- Y4 Norse patterning, linked with ٠ History work on Vikings
- Y5 3d sculptures, linked with • Geography work on The Rainforests
- Y6 mask creations linked with History work on The Mayan Civilization

The children's engagement and understanding of the purpose of their Art was hugely better. Well done Staff! Brilliant work children!





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### Writing

As promised, please find attached a selection of Y2

They have been imagining that a giant packet of pencil crayons have come to life, and are complaining about how Y2 are treating them. They refused to do their job, as a result, and stopped being available to "colour in". The children were charged with replying-via letter. Much discussion about wellbeing and mutual respect preceded their lovely writing. Please take the time to enjoy the responses. And again, if you could take the time to reply to them, they would LOVE that! (Via email or using the attached sheet.) Thank you, in anticipation.

### Congratulations

We were very proud of Y3, last Sunday, who turned up, in force, to commit to their Sacramental preparation. We were equally proud of their Mums and Dads, who joined us mid week for our Y3 parents'

I received an update from PC Rolleston, this morning. talk. It makes our job a pleasure, when parental Parents are parking unreasonably; she has sent severengagement is strong and demonstrates and models al written warnings, she tells me, particularly where mutual respect brilliantly. So, thanks again. unsafe parking is restricting access to the junction of Huge Congratulations to Y5/6 boys who took part in Whetstone Lane and Weston Crescent. I ask for your the Walsall Catholic Friendly Football Festival. They full co-operation on this one, parents, in line with won! Well done Miss Wood also. Medals to follow. British Values. We need to lead by example.

# **SMA News**

### This Issue

Celebrating Art Writing Congratulations **Requests and Reminders** Parking Upcoming Events

## **REQUESTS/REMINDERS**

Thank you to the many parents who responded with old newspapers. They really supported Y5's "papier mache" work.

Governors met this week and we have finalised updates to our signing in system, our front entrance and our website. We are delighted with the updates; they will support staff and parents in improving communication effectively. Look out for the changes and let us know what you think.

Mrs Joyce has asked that I remind EYFS parents to return reading books. Each book costs approximately £4; when they are missing it impacts on other children. Please return any that may have been left lying around. Thank you in anticipation.

Mrs Potter wishes to remind parents that Milkshake and Toast payments can now be made, Via The Gateway, in readiness for next 1/2 term. Parents, please support the cooks with these healthier options.

# Parking

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Feedback sheet for parents

Dear Y2 children I want to say the following about your lovely letters to the crayons:



From

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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