



# Our Lady and St Patrick's Primary School Newsletter

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Angela Folland

*Living, Loving and Learning in God's Way*

**30th April 2021**

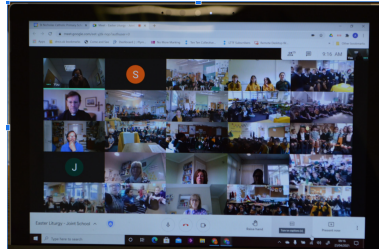
## Headteacher's News

It has been a sunny start back to the Summer Term and there are lots of things happening in school at the moment. Photos of some of the events can be seen below and please don't forget to book your space at the new Breakfast and After School club for September by 10th May.

Teachers have completed their assessments for each child across the school, met with the Leadership Team and adapted the planned curriculum for the term to ensure that this term is used to secure some of the gaps in learning due to the disruption of school closures. The Parent's Evenings being held during the 10th May week will help you to understand how we are going about supporting the children this term to prepare them for September.

## Easter Liturgy

All 475 children of St Nicholas and Our Lady and St Patrick's came together virtually for a shared Easter Liturgy on Friday 23rd April. We were joined by Fr Jonathan (Blessed Sacrament, Exeter) and Fr Mark (OLSP, Teignmouth) who shared the Gospel, gave us a lovely homily about new life and gave us all a special blessing at the end. The Pupil Chaplains from both schools presided over the celebration and led the prayers.



The children had created a 'Prayer Easter Egg' for the children in the other school. St Nicholas children decorated a card egg with the name of a child from OLSP, and OLSP children did the same for a child at St Nicholas. The children were so excited when they received their exchanged name and hung them on their class' Easter tree as the focal point for the liturgy. The children then prayed for each other as part of the reflection during the liturgy.



The large, bare, rustic cross was then erected outside our school symbolising the pain and despair of Good Friday. Thank you so much for all the flowers that the children brought in to decorate it with! It is a beautiful symbol that stands as a sign that Good Friday was not the end of the story and that, in Jesus' resurrection, we are given abundant life and hope.

## Important Information

### Parking - Morning and Evening

Fourth Ave was chaos this morning! We know that the situation is made worse by the roadworks on the main road but please, please park safely and considerately. Your children's safety relies on all drivers making the right choices and behaving responsibly. Since Easter there have been a number of occasions where parents are turning around in the bottom of the driveway. **This is pedestrian access at the moment and is dangerous - please do not do this.**

### Breakfast and After School Club

Please remember to complete the google form to reserve your child's place for September. You can now also pay the £25 deposit via Parentpay; login to your account, select the child's name and "other payment item". It is titled "payment to secure wraparound care".

### Running Track

Work is well underway with the all-weather track. The groundworks have been completed and the contractors will be back in two week's time to put the top surface on. The contractors are installing the same at St Nicholas and Mrs Gordon is busy working with the PE Lead there to organise an inter-school (remote) fundraiser to formally launch the tracks around half term.



### Pupil Chaplains

Congratulations to our newly-appointed, School Chaplains, Isobel, Poppy, Jessie, Ella, Gareth, Arthur, Millie and Jacob, all from Year 5. Father Mark visited today to speak to them all with Mrs Folland. They are all looking forward to their new role and we are positive they will do the school so very proud! Well done to you all!





## Iris' Amazing Charitable Donation

As a school community, we are incredibly proud of the amazing gesture Iris Rigler, from Class 3, has made recently. Of her own accord, she decided to grow and donate her hair to The Little Princess Trust. The Little Princess Trust provides free, real-hair wigs for young cancer sufferers or for children and young people experiencing the devastating effects of hair loss. They also fund pioneering, life-saving research into childhood cancers. In doing this, she hoped to raise enough money for it to be made into a wig. Iris, as it stands, has raised nearly £1000. What an incredible achievement! We are all so proud of you and your kindness shown; well done Iris!



## Disciples of the Week

*W/B 19th April 2021  
Courage*

Early Years	Ruby
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Year 1	Teddy
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Year 2	Angelica
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Year 3	Emrys
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Year 4	Poppy
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Year 5	Emily
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Year 6	Tessa
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*W/B 26th April 2021  
Integrity*

Early Years	Theodore
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Year 1	Grace
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Year 2	Sophie M
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Year 3	Juliana
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Year 4	Abi-Pat
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Year 5	Arthur
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Year 6	Ashla
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*Well done to you all!*

## Friends' News

### Easter Egg Treasure Success!

We wanted to say a big well done to everyone who took part in the egg hunt around Teignmouth during the Easter Holidays. It was a good walk and there were some tricky clues to decipher. All those who handed their answer sheets to the office will have received their prize too now. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!

We would like to say a big thank you as well to the lovely local businesses who were happy to display the clues for us.



## **Prayer**

Dear Lord

If I can not be brilliant, let me be kind.

If I can not change the world, let me inspire  
just one other to do so.

If I can not give away riches, let me be loving.

Let me be known for kindness, for it is the  
greatest glory.

Amen

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**Our Lady and St Patrick's School is committed to safeguarding children.**

**Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Rachel O'Sullivan Deputy Child Protection Leads: Mrs A Folland, Mrs R Gordon, Mrs S Emmerton, Mrs J Osborne Named Governor for Child Protection: Mrs Lorraine Coulter**