



Regina Coeli Catholic Primary School

'Where there is Love, there is God'

7th March 2025
Newsletter Number 7
Spring Term

"Lent is a 'powerful' season, a turning point that can foster change in each of us. Let us deny ourselves something every day to help others." Pope Francis



Dear parents and carers,

I hope you all enjoyed a pancake or two on Shrove Tuesday this week! We have entered the Lenten Season now and Mrs Storey, supported by the Growing in Faith Team, delivered wonderful liturgies to distribute ashes and discuss with the children their Lenten promises. They were reminded that Lent is a time when God calls us to make a special effort— maybe to give something up or to do something loving and good and to continue to pray.

I had a fantastic day at Bough Beech with Year 4 this week— I was very proud of how knowledgeable they are about looking after our resources— more photos to follow in next week's newsletter.

Good luck to our Cross Country runners and Miss Given for tomorrow's race on Farthing Down.

Hoping you all get to enjoy the sunshine!

Best wishes, Mrs Christoforou

THE Wednesday
WORD



Having Hope
in our Families

LENT

Following his baptism, Jesus went out into the desert for forty days. He was all alone and he ate nothing because he was fasting. Knowing that Jesus would be hungry, the Tempter told him to turn a stone into bread. But Jesus refused and said, "Scripture says, 'No one lives on bread alone.'" Then the Tempter showed him all the kingdoms of the world, promising Jesus all their power and glory if Jesus would worship him rather than God. But Jesus said, "It is written, 'You must worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only!'" Finally, the Tempter took Jesus to the top of the temple and told him to prove he was the Son of God by jumping off, and have God's angels come to save him. But Jesus said, "You must not put the Lord your God to the test." After Jesus had resisted three times, the Tempter left him. *Adapted from Luke 4: 1-13*

Attendance

School attendance is so important for a child to be Successful.

The school target is 97%

Congratulations to the following classes for the week of 3rd March 2025

1st - St Rose 99.3%

2nd - St Anne 97.8%

3rd - St Bridget 97.7%

Well done!

Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Safeguarding

If your child is not going to be in school it is really important that you call the office on 020 8688 4582

or email the school at office@reginacoelischool.croydon.sch.uk stating the reason before 8.50am on every day of absence.

Thank you

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CONGRATULATIONS!

Star Of The Week 7th March 2025

St Anne: **Gianna**, **Kaid**, **Gerald**

St Thomas: **Aayan**, **Zion**, **Joseph**

St Rita: **Raini**, **Nathaniel**

St David: **Yermariam**, **Mukot**, **Joanne**

St Rose: **Davie**, **Joel**, **Maja**

St Mark: **Nikita**, **Amelia**, **Nolan**

St Bridget: **Jessica**, **Jenesis**, **Fiyon**

St Patrick: **John**, **Bear**, **Colette**

St Maria: **Amari**, **McKeyd**, **Chloe**

St Andrew: **Rekyiah**, **Ryleigh**, **Irene**

St Gertrude: **Annachiara**, **Lilly**, **Elisha**

St Michael: **Lea**, **Harrison**, **Natalia**

St Felicity: **Gurseerat**, **Lucciana**, **Abigail**

St Dominic: **Kyra**, **Emiah**, **Florence**

Liturgy Dates

Parents are warmly invited to attend.

	9am	2.45pm
11th March	St Anne	St Andrew
18th March		St Patrick
25th March	St Thomas	St Gertrude

School Dinner

The new school dinner menu is on the website. Next week will be week 3.
Thank you.

Reporting an Absence

When you leave a message on the answer phone reporting an absence can you please state the reason for being absent. Please **do not** just say they are unwell. Please call by 9am.
Thank you

Ash Wednesday

This week we marked the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday. The GIFT (Growing Together in Faith) team, a dedicated group of Year 5 members, led a liturgy in each infant class as well a junior liturgy in the hall where ashes were distributed. The children learnt that during lent we try to do three things;

Pray

Give up something

Do kind things for others

All children have made Lenten promises in class. Please talk to your children about their promise and support them in keeping this promise. We remember it can be hard to keep these promises and that it is okay to start over if we find it difficult.

Thank you to the GIFT team for all their efforts in preparing for this special day.



Pope Frances

All the children have been praying in class for the health of Pope Frances. Please find below CAFODs prayer to say with your child.

<https://cafod.org.uk/pray/prayer-resources/prayer-for-the-health-of-pope->

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Easter Liturgy

We will be soon preparing for our Infant and Junior Easter liturgy which will take place on the last week of term. More details to follow.

Mass times at our parishes

As we start the season of Lent, we remind families that you are very warmly invited to attend mass at any of our local parishes. The week-end service times are as follows.

Weekly Mass times for St Gertrude's are as follows:

Vigil Mass at 6.30pm on Saturday
Sunday Mass at 8.30am, 10am & 6.30pm
<https://www.stgertrudes.co.uk/>

Weekly Mass times for St Dominic's are as follows:

9:15 am & 6:00pm on Saturday
Sunday Mass at 9:00am & 11:00am
<http://www.stdominic.org.uk/>

Weekly Mass times for Holy Family are as follows;

6:00pm on Saturday
Sunday Mass at 9:00am & 11:00am
<https://www.catholicchurchsanderstead.org.uk/>

Weekly Mass times for St Columba's are as follows;

6:00pm on Saturday
Sunday Mass at 9:00am & 11:00am
<https://www.stcolumbaschurchselsdon.uk/>

Please see the websites for more information on our
local parishes.



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