

*** The Week at a glance ***

Monday 9th February ~ Grand opening of the new classroom with a special assembly at 10.30 ~ all invited to join us with Ashley Jackson, the Mayor and other V.I.P's. Governor's Meeting at 5.00 p.m.

Wednesday 11th February ~ work begins on new windows in the school hall and continues into half term. The school hall will be out of action from today for health and safety reasons.

Friday 13th February ~ Non - Uniform Day. School closes for the half term break at 3.30 p.m.

UCM JUMBLE SALE ~ The UCM would like to invite you to their jumble sale this Wednesday afternoon at 1.00 p.m. in the church hall. Come and pick up a bargain!

Easy Fundraising ~ You may have noticed the information on the front page in regards to easy fundraising and many thanks to Mrs McNiffe who has sent me this very useful information about how Holy Rood can benefit even more:

'I have been registered with easy fundraising for some time now (for a different cause, but have obviously swapped to Holy Rood!) I just wanted to check that you were aware that if individuals registered with easy fundraising shop online through the site they generate a larger donation than by just using it as a search engine. For example, if someone shops at NEXT or M&S, they can access these through the easy fundraising site and Next or M&S will donate a % of the total spent to our school.

Many of the leading retailers are registered. This might be worth putting on next week's news letter as it could generate more money for the school. I'm sure if people are going to shop online they would be happy for the retailers to make a donation to the school.'

Joke for the Week ~ Another one from James Major for you!

'Doctor, I can't pronounce the letter F's, T's or H's.'

The doctor replied, 'Well, you can't say fairer than that then!'



Friends News

Non Uniform Day ~ This Friday, children can come in non-uniform and bring £1.00 to raise money for the Friends for school. One of the main aims this year is to contribute towards improving the outside area for foundation stage.

Shoe Shining Event ~ Some children in Y6 will be available to shine your shoes after school this Thursday for just 50p. We ran this event a few years ago and people took quite a shine to it...

Spring Fayre ~ This will be on Friday April 3rd from 2.00 - 4.00 p.m. in school. Nearer the time we will need donations of toys, games, books, baking, etc, just to give you advance notice if you're having a clear out. If you'd like to help that afternoon (for example volunteers for stalls or serving refreshments) please liaise with Jacki Wilkinson with on the playground or by sending a message to: jacqueline.wilkinson@googlemail.com

Mother's Day Practices ~ many children have kindly offered to be involved in the 9.30 Mass on Mothering Sunday 22nd March and here is a reminder of the practices after school which are all Thursdays:

*26th Feb, 5th March, 12th March, 19th March
with a full rehearsal on Saturday 21st March in church.*

House teams ~ Each week any team points that children in KS2 earn through good work, behaviour, example, effort, etc, are collated and here is the running total for this term to date:

Matthew : 316

Luke : 239

John : 223

Mark : 218



Children in Matthew are in pole position so far!

Pancake Races ~ These will be on Pancake Day (surprisingly!) Tuesday 24th February in the afternoon. Friends will be providing the pancakes for the children who are asked to bring 50p each to take part in the races ~ many thanks and good luck!

Thank you for reading
this newsletter,
John Gregson

