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Dear Parents,

This is a special week in school because we are having a 'Bible Week' the aim of which is to open up for the children the incredible treasury of stories, knowledge and wisdom that are found in scripture. The Diocesan Director for Music, Mr Philip Jacob is spending 3 days in school leading assemblies, liturgies and singing workshops with your children. On Friday, Mr Richard Burge, from the Wakefield Diocese, is facilitating 'Godly Plays' which will bring some of the Bible stories to life.

Philip Jacob is leading our 'Lenten Liturgy' this **Thursday at 2.30 p.m.** and would like to invite any parents and parishioners who are able to join us in school at that time.

A few facts and thoughts about the holy Bible. The word 'Bible' comes from the Greek word 'Biblos' meaning book. However the Bible is really like a library of many different kinds of books recording the faith history of God's people over thousands of years. Books of history (like Joshua or Kings), of wisdom (like Proverbs), of poetry (like the Psalms), of prophets (like Jeremiah or Isaiah), of letters (like St Paul), of the Good News of Jesus (the Gospels) and even about the beginning and the end of the world in the books of Genesis and Revelation.

Much of the Bible began as 'oral tradition', memories passed down from one generation to the next until eventually they were written down on scrolls first in Hebrew and later in Greek. Why? The answer is quite explicit in John's Gospel,

"Now Jesus did many other signs which are not written in this book: but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God and that by believing you may have life in his name."
(Jn 20:30)

The Bible contains the Word of God that will transform our lives. All we have to do is open its pages and read and God will do the rest! I found this amazing web site to explore the Bible:

www.biblos.com

easysearch.org.uk

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<http://holyroodbarnsley.easysearch.org.uk>

World Book Day : We are celebrating this tomorrow (Tuesday March 17th) and all children can come dressed as a character from one of their favourite books! It is always a memorable day aimed at encouraging a love of reading which is so important and also so enjoyable. March 17th is of course St.Patrick's Day and a special day for anyone of Irish descent.

Bible Quotes

**The grass withers, the flower
fades, but the Word of our
God will stand for ever.
(Isaiah 40:7 – 8)**

*"Your word is a lamp to my feet, a
light for my path,"*
(Psalm 119)

