

# Newsletter

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## Diary dates

Thur 21 April - Home football match 4pm  
Tues 26 April- Clean for the Queen ECO Club  
1.30 pm  
Wed 27 April - Trip to Tate Liverpool Y4  
Fri 29 April - 2K Colour Challenge run whole  
school  
Mon 2 May - Bank Holiday  
w/c 09 May - SATS week  
Sat 14 May - Family Mass 5:45pm  
w/c 16 May - Creative Week  
Mon 16 May - Trip to Blackburn Museum Y3  
Tues 17 May - Trip to Blackburn Museum Y4  
Tues 17 May -Band playing for Governors Forum  
5.15pm  
Wed 18 May - Trip to Blackburn Museum Y5  
Thur 19 May - Trip to Blackburn Museum Y2 +Y6  
Fri 20 May - Trip to Blackburn Museum Y1  
Sat 21 May - Blackburn Music Festival (Solos)  
Sun 22 May - First Holy Communion 12.00



This year's Year 3 and 4 musical was 'The Rainboat' with energetic performances from all the children but especially Isaak Redfearn and Francesca Holden as Mr and Mrs Noah. A beautiful solo was sung by Rachel Rogers who played God in a full beard! Many thanks to the staff who nobly played the music, made endless animal hats and created props and scenery. A special mention to Mrs Martin (Halliwell) for the costumes.



## Holiday Club Dates:

25/07/2016 – 29/07/2016

01/08/2016 – 05/08/2016

30/08/2016 – 02/09/2016

For further details contact Mrs  
Montgomery in ASC.

## Staffing News

We welcome Mrs Karen Mulcock as a part time teacher from 01 April 2016 in year 3, and Miss Eleanor Daniels in Year 1.

We have appointed Miss Abigail Gunn from 01 September 2016 as a new teacher.

## NEWS FROM THE OFFICE-

~Dinner Money should be paid in advance. Gentle Reminders are now being issued if the amount owing in dinner money is in excess of £22.00. This is to prevent escalating debts.

~Caritas (St Joseph's Penny)boxes have been collected in and the money is currently being counted.

~ Reminder that cheque payments should be made payable to LCC SCHOOLS ACCOUNT for Dinner money, Music fees, Robinwood, After School Club. Any payments for school trips should be made payable to St Charles School Fund.

~ Amount raised from the Caritas Easter Egg Raffle was £196.05. Thanks to everyone who donated eggs or bought tickets.

~ Thanks to all those who voted at Tesco. Piggy Park came second and secured a fabulous £10,000.

~ Please can you ensure your child's name is marked in their school uniform to reduce the risk of lost property.

~The office are updating our consent forms for taking photographs of children.





## NEWS ABOUT THE SCHOOL CROSSINGS



School have been informed that the “Lollipop Lady” will no longer be assisting the children at the designated crossings in Rishton and due to the small number of children using these crossings, it has not been deemed cost-effective to provide a replacement.

The crossings have been designed with motion sensors, so that if the buttons are pressed but the sensor does not detect any movement at the pavement edge, the lights will not activate. This is to prevent the lights changing unnecessarily if the button is pressed by someone who is not wishing to cross the road.

If you use the crossings therefore, you should not stand still at the pavement edge, as the lights may not be activated.

Please advise children to take care therefore when using these crossings in the future.

Thank you.



## The Year of Mercy 2016

Miss Madera showed everyone a message from Pope Francis who has declared that this year is to a special jubilee year called the ‘Year of Mercy’.

Bishop John has sent the model of a door to every school in the diocese, to symbolise us opening the door of our hearts to God to receive his mercy. Every child wrote a special prayer on a ‘key’ and walked slowly through the door which was set up in church.



## Collecting History

**Do you have an interesting historical artefact at home – a piece of jewellery, a toy, a photograph, letter or a newspaper that tells a story about someone in your family or the local area in the past?**

**During this half-term’s ‘Creative Week’, the children will be finding out about fascinating local collectors and how their objects ended up at Blackburn Museum.**

**On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May we invite the children and members of their family to bring an interesting artefact to show others in the Hall at 3.30-4.30pm. The event will be hosted by History Club who encourage you to come and share a bit of history – from peg dolls and Punch and Judy, to Sindy and Action Man!**

## Sacramental Programme News:



The next Family Mass will be on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 5.45pm and will be followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation for all SP candidates at the end of Mass.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at Mass on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 12 noon. Volunteers to lead the singing are warmly invited – please see Mrs Baker.

Please return attendance cards as soon as possible to Mrs Troughton.