



**From the Headteacher.....**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our parents and carers who have supported us this term, on our journey forward in faith.

Easter time is a period when we reflect on what the 'good news' of the Gospel really means and allow the joyful hope we share in Jesus Christ, to be ever more present in the way we practice our faith.

Thank you to all the parents who supported our recent Van Gogh Inspired EYFS and Key Stage One Art Exhibition. The children displayed amazing talent and certainly enjoyed demonstrating their artistic flair. A special thank you to Ms Scicluna for all of her hard work in ensuring the event ran smoothly.

I am delighted that Bishop Challoner has been given an Eco-club Bronze Award thanks to the hard work of the pupils and Miss Ruston. Miss Ruston has driven this forward and spent just over a year ensuring we meet all the criteria. The enthusiasm of the pupils, their contributions and their ideas has enabled this to happen. Congratulations to a wonderful team.

Some of our pupils attended the Public Schools Fencing Championships last week. Their determination and support for each other is to be commended and they are a credit to the school.

A Year 11 revision programme is scheduled over the Easter break and once again, our committed staff have demonstrated their willingness to do that little bit extra in order to give your son or daughter every possible chance of success this summer. The school office will be open during the holidays should you require any assistance, and all pupils should ensure they sign in and out should they come into school.

I hope you enjoyed the Easter Hat Parade, held in aid of St Christopher's Hospice. The children wore a range of colourful hats and bonnets designed creatively in fun and unique ways. Other features included coloured paper, nests full of eggs, cardboard bunnies, feathers, ribbons, felt shapes, glitter and stickers.

We would like to wish Mr and Mrs Raveney all the very best with the birth of their child. We await their news in anticipation and send them our very best wishes.

In Junior assembly this week Ms Barker reminded the children about not talking to strangers and how to keep safe. We would be grateful if you could reinforce this with your child at home.

I would like to wish our pupils and staff a safe and enjoyable ski trip as they depart on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April to Livigno.

We look forward to seeing all of our children on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April. I will be sending you my beginning of term letter with further news and updates on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April.

I hope you all have a happy, holy and peaceful Easter.

**Paula Anderson**



# Whole School News



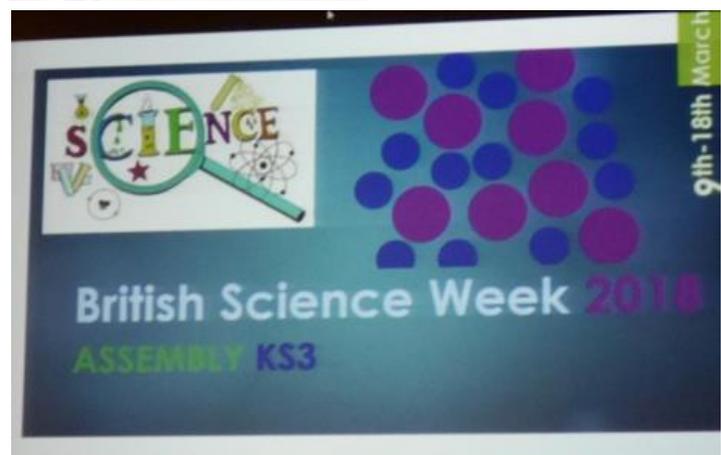
Last week was Science Week and the students at Bishop Challoner School were involved in a series of activities during morning assemblies, in science lessons, at lunchtime and during

STEM club. Mrs Harding explained the reasons for British Science Week and the need for new scientists and engineers to answer tomorrow's challenges. Mrs Harding also made Louis, Isaac, Mr Raveney and Mr Fitzgerald walk on eggs. Miss Ruston gave an impressive talk about dry ice and sublimation. Dr Free gave a lecture of the technological advancements of the last 50 years and discussed the physics, biology and chemistry issues associated with teleportation. Students also sublimed iodine and deposited it on a cold finger, growing lovely iodine crystals. Mrs Marpadi and Mrs Harding's students took part in a Biology competition and Dr Piccio's students discussed plastic materials and pollution. At STEM club, students researched means to reduce Gatwick Airport's impact on the environment.

*Dr Piccio*



Walking on eggs!



# Junior News

## Bromley Speech Festival 2018



Well done to all the Junior school children that recently took part in the Bromley Speech Festival.

They all learned and performed their poems and readings brilliantly, fully deserving of all the merits, honours, distinctions and medals (3 x Gold, 2 x Silver, 4 Bronze plus a gift card and trophy).

Special congratulations go to medal and trophy winners:

**Eoin (Year 6) Honours & Silver**

**William (Year 6) 2 Distinction and Gold & Silver**

**Isaac (Year 6) Honours & Distinction and Gold**

**Joshua (Year 6) Honours and Gold**

**Eddie (Year 5) Honours & Merit and Bronze**

**Roisin (Year 5) Honours and Bronze**

**Theo (Year 2) Honours and Bronze**

*Mrs Rokita*

*Voice Coach*



## Inter-school Science Quiz

On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March, Bishop Challoner took part in a Science quiz competition at St Peter and Paul's Catholic Primary Academy school. William, Rupert, Trivikram, Alexander and Joshua from Years 5 and 6 took part and represented Bishop Challoner. The day consisted of three rounds of multiple choice, quick fire and open questions. The pupils worked really hard as a team and answered many of the challenging questions correctly. During the afternoon session, other schools presented experiments they had prepared which were very exciting to watch and take part in. Overall, the experience was very successful and the pupils represented the school incredibly well.

*Miss Rule*



## Junior Sport

### Fencing at Whitgift School

Reece (Year 8) in epee on at Whitgift School Croydon. He came 11<sup>th</sup> place.



Josh (Year 6) competing in foil on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March at Whitgift School. He came 8<sup>th</sup> place.

# Easter Bonnets - Nursery & Juniors



# Nursery & Key Stage 1

## Forest School



The children in the Butterfly and Dolphin groups enjoyed some Easter themed Forest school sessions this week.

Mrs Coates arranged an egg hunt and the children enjoyed a treat snack of hot chocolate and home made Easter biscuits. Everyone found an egg and took home their surprise.

Well done to Monday's group for finding their eggs in the snow, which has to be a first for our Forest schoolers. They showed fantastic resilience coping with all weathers, well done.

*Ms Ludlam*



## Art Exhibition



A very big thank you to all the children and their teachers in Nursery, Reception, Year One and Year 2 for working so hard on your beautiful sunflower art for the Van Gogh Inspired Art Exhibition. Your talent is amazing and a credit to Bishop Challoner School.

It was lovely to see so many parents attend the event and supporting your child. We are hoping to be able to purchase the mark making shed very soon. Thank you very much for all the donations so far.

*Ms Scicluna*

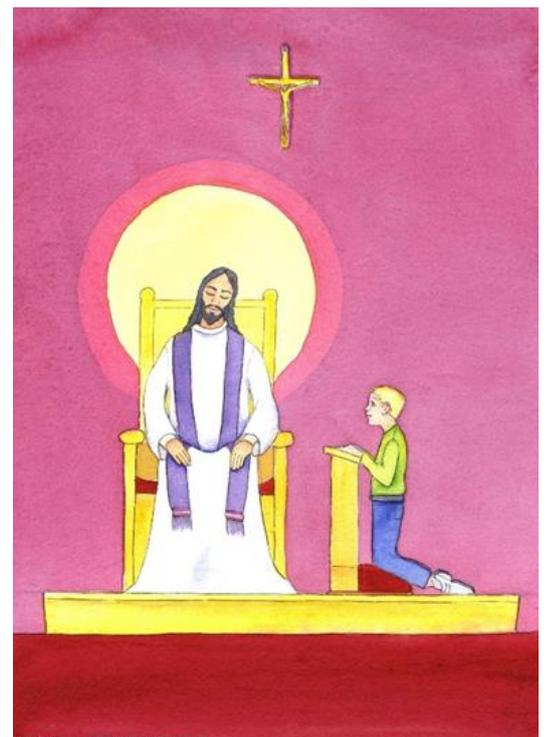


# Chaplaincy Corner



On Friday, 23rd March, our Year 3 & 4 pupils had a special Mass offered by Fr Simplicio. The theme of the Mass was the mercy of God and our Gospel passage was the 'Parable of the Prodigal Son', which we find in Luke 15:1-2, 11-31. In this parable Jesus teaches us that his Father is loving and merciful and that he will never reject us when we return to him.

Following the Mass we had a Reconciliation Service and our pupils, who are preparing for their First Holy Communion, made their First Confessions. In preparation we reflected upon the Ten Commandments to remind us of the areas of our lives that need God's mercy and forgiveness. The Sacrament of Reconciliation offers us an opportunity to be free from past mistakes and strengthens us to make a fresh start. It was wonderful to see both pupils and parents making use of this Sacrament and to see the smiles on their faces once they had been.



Lent is the season in which we are invited to repent of our sins and turn back to God and is the perfect time to go to Confession. We are fortunate that many Churches offer the Sacrament throughout the year and particularly during Lent. If you haven't been for a while why not think about it, you have nothing to lose but your sins.

*Gerard Lohan*  
*School Chaplain*

# Notices PTA



Bishop Challoner School PTA

## Bromley Dementia Support Hub

### CHARITY BREAKFAST

From 7.45am, School Dining Room  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April

Pancakes £1.00 Croissants £1.00

Bacon or Sausage Sandwich £1.50 Drinks £0.50



**SAVE THE DATE**  
18th May 2018, PTA May Ball  
The Warren

Thank you to all those who participated in Race Night last Friday. **We raised £1,700!**

### Extra Curricular Eco-Club Bronze Award

We have worked really hard for just over a year now in Eco-club and have just got our bronze award. Eco-club has taken part in two whole school environmental assemblies as well as implementing recycling bins in all rooms across the school and emptying them weekly. We have also got a school Eco motto 'Reduce, reuse, recycle' which is laminated and displayed in all rooms. We have also helped write a school litter policy and are going to appoint litter and light monitors very soon. Each eco member has an official eco school badge and we award certificates for achievements in our club.



Our Eco committee meets weekly and we have had two meetings with parents involved to discuss action plans and progress at our school and fundraising ideas etc.

Our Eco display (we have two now) is updated regularly with posters and minutes etc. We have also actioned a whole school environmental review with the help of Mr Hickman and some Year 13 students reviewing nine topics such as waste, water and energy. This review has enabled us to write an action plan on the topic of 'waste' and we will work hard to make changes in our school that make us even more sustainable. The Action Plan contains timescales, who is responsible and how targets will be monitored and evaluated. This is also on display.

We update parents and the whole school via the Challoner Update and assemblies or notices by our Head boy as well as tweets from Mrs Anderson on our progress. We pass minutes and information on to our PTA and Trustees on how we are progressing. We have also run poster competitions and have just entered an Eco schools 'litter-acy' competition.

We have a lot of fun in Eco-club by making recycled clothes out of paper and Miss Ruston produces eco based crosswords and word searches to help students learn more about the environment. We made slime during British science week as a reward for all the Eco clubbers hard work.

We aim to continue to work on saving energy and making our school 'greener' and work towards our silver award.

**Miss Esther Ruston**  
**Science Technician**

### Irish Dancing Competition

Congratulations to Sophie-Anne (Year 5) who came 4th in her Light Jig and 5th in her Hop Jig and to Brooke (Year 5) who came 8th in her Reel on 11th March.

# Notices

## Competition



Please don't forget to get creative over the Easter break and prepare your entry for the Spirited Arts competition. All pupils are invited to enter paintings, drawings, sculpture or film with lots of house points and prizes to be won.

Mrs Patience

## Diary Dates

### Tuesday, 27th March

- \* Whole School Tenebrae Service
- \* Senior School Reports Home
- \* End of Term

### Monday, 16th April

- \* Whole School returns
- \* Art A Level & GCSE Exams begin

### Wednesday, 18th April

- \* Community Mass
- \* Junior Pupil Voice
- \* Art A Level & GCSE Exams end

### Thursday, 19th April

- \* U12 & U13 Netball tournament
- \* Y5&6 Mass
- \* PTA Race Night

### Friday, 20th April

- \* PTA Meeting, 8.30am
- \* Junior Hymn Practice, 8.45am
- \* Nursery, Reception & Y2 Mass
- \* Y10 Retreat to Aylesford
- \* Year 8 Salters Chemistry competition
- \* Art A Level

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## GUINNESS WORLD RECORD ATTEMPT

Breaking 10x12x1inch pine boards within a minute

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**Monday 9th April 2018**

Gates open at 11.30am • Attempts will start at 1pm

After party at Shampan at the Spinning Wheel at 5.30pm.

Tickets are £2 each and are available from Shampan restaurants and Virtue Taekwondo classes

Price includes a £5 voucher for us at Shampan restaurants and a board that has been broken on the day, which can be signed by Chris & Lisa

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## What's on this Easter

Daily themes this Easter

Themes & Key	The Day Includes	Mini Explorers	Premier Players
Brilliant Ball Bonanza	Delicious Football Festival	Cosplay Shoppies Skills School	Dolphin Tournament
Wacky & Wonderful	Woolly Army Golf	Pass the Parcel	Kidball Tournament
Rise to the Top	Art & Crafts	Relay Races	Break Dance Battle
Turn Back Time	Reading	Robin Hood	Target Range
Tournament Medley	Hoops	Battleships	Hokey Hokey
Around the World in a Day!	100m	King of the Ring	Changlons League
Back of the Net	Football	Chop and Change	The Frog King
Shoot for the Stars...	Football	Hot Air Balloons	Driving Range
Easter Egg Stravaganza	Reading	Beat the Egg	Super Over Challenge

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