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## HOLY NAME CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# NEWSLETTER



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### SHROVE TUESDAY (24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2009)

Hopefully all parents will have received a flier yesterday about our intention to celebrate Pancake Day in a very colourful and exciting 'Mardi Gras' / 'Carnival' fashion. Children will be asked to wear **very bright and colourful T-shirts and trousers or skirts or dresses..... the brighter the better!** (Minimum donation of 50p per child towards our annual Lenten Charity Appeal).

### YEAR 4 ASSEMBLY

The children in Year 4 led our assembly today. Among other things, they shared with the rest of the school their learning in Literacy this half-term. Our next class led assembly will be on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March and will be in the capable hands of Year 1.

### TRAINING DAY TOMORROW

The school is not open for pupils tomorrow as the teachers have a Training Day. We will be visiting the Holocaust Centre, near Nottingham.

### ELLA'S DAD – THANK YOU

We have recently had the engraving on all our trophies and crests updated by Ella Craggs dad. This very necessary job would normally cost the school quite a bit of money to do..... Mr Craggs has undertaken the whole job for free and we are very grateful to him. We hope to get a photo of Ella and all the trophies on our website after the holidays.

### FOOTY TOURNAMENT

The team will be in action at Cardinal Heenan High School tonight. They will be playing against other teams from our neighbouring Catholic Primary schools. **GOOD LUCK BOYS!**

### ASH WEDNESDAY (25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY)

The whole school will be going to Mass in Church on the first Wednesday of the new half-term. Children in KS2 will have ashes marked on their foreheads as a reminder of God's love for them, and as a sign of the beginning of Lent.

### PTA MEETING

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February (7.30pm). All welcome!

### RECEPTION 2009 (OFFERS)

Applicants for places in our Reception class for 2009 are reminded that offers will be sent out from the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2009. Emails (where requested) will be sent first and letters should be received in the post before 4<sup>th</sup> March.

## **PARENTS' EVENING: 4<sup>th</sup> March (6pm – 8pm) & 5<sup>th</sup> March 2009 (3.30pm – 5pm)**

Appointment letters will be sent out immediately after half-term. Parents and teachers will have an opportunity to review pupil progress at the mid-point of this academic year. Please do your best to attend one of the evenings.

## **YEAR 6 LONDON TRIP... Information Evening: Tuesday 3rd March. (6pm)**

All parents whose children are going on the annual day trip to London are invited to this meeting.

## **RED NOSE DAY 2009 (13<sup>th</sup> March)**

Advanced warning that we will be taking part in this national charity event. Details to follow..... but please note that we will have a supply of official noses on sale from the school office, well in advance of the actual day.



### **SCHOOL WEBSITE PURCHASING LINK**

People visiting the school website recently will have noticed that the PTA have established a link to a website called 'schoolfundraising.org'. You can use this site to do most of your online shopping as you would normally..... but if you go through this site first the school can benefit from various cashback rewards, at no additional cost to you. Anything.... from books to toys, and holidays to furniture can be ordered via your favourite online stores. Even a web search through the Google link will bring rewards to the school. Next time you are ordering anything on the web, give it a try through our school website link first! .... Or directly:

<http://www.schoolfundraising.org.uk/holy-name-primary>

### **ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS**

Very few people have signed up for the electronic version of our fortnightly newsletter so far. This facility is easy to set up.... All you have to do is go into the school website, click on **Extranet**, then **Forms**, and complete the registration bar to receive our Newsletter by email in the future. Parents who do sign up will no longer receive a paper version after Easter.

**Reminder.....** many of the letters we send out are now published on the school website. If you or your child has lost a letter, a copy can often be found through **Parents** and **Recent Documents and Letters** on the website.

### **INK CARTRIDGES & MOBILE PHONES RECYCLING**

We now have the facility to accept used printer cartridges (which must be in an original or replacement box) and mobile phones (with the battery, but not anything else) for recycling. The collection box is outside the staffroom, but phones or cartridges can be handed to teachers or the office staff. Donations will be used to provide re-filled and / or re-usable cartridges and phones in less developed parts of the world at reduced costs.



### **SUNDAY TIMES 'BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS' TOKENS**

We are now collecting these tokens. They can be found in any Times Newspaper publications. Please collect them in batches and send them in labelled envelopes saying how many tokens are inside.

***WE BREAK FOR THE HALF-TERM TODAY..... CHILDREN RETURN  
ON MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY***