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Dear Parents & Guardians

St Patrick's Day

Key Stage 2 celebrated a lovely Mass with Father Michael on Tuesday. Thank you Father Michael, for the lovely pot of shamrock you gave to each teacher. It reminds us of the story of St Patrick as he explained the mystery of The Trinity to the Irish people.

First Holy Communion Programme

We will be practicing reconciliation at next week's lessons. Parents do not need to attend. Please pick your children up at 4.15 p.m. as usual. There are a number of parents who have not yet paid their £20 contribution towards books, candles, certificates etc. PLEASE do this as soon as possible. This programme is subsidised by the school and £20 is only a donation; it does not nearly cover the cost involved.

WWF's Earth Hour

We are supporting WWF's Earth Hour, an epic global event taking place on Saturday 28th March 2009 8.30–9.30 p.m. The initiative, which aims to be the largest mass global action on climate change ever, asks people, businesses, cities and schools around the world to switch off their lights for that one hour. The aim is to send a powerful signal to global leaders - that they must take urgent action to tackle climate change!



We have joined 841 schools across the U.K. by signing up to WWF's Earth Hour. We hope that we are helping to highlight this extraordinary event. So far nearly 1500 towns and cities in more than 75 countries have signed up. So please, I encourage you to switch off all your electrical appliances on the 28th March between 8.30-9.30 p.m. For more details log on to www.wwf.org.uk/earthhour

Rotary Club Young Musician of the Year Final

This took place last night (Thursday) at Barnby Road Methodist Church. Congratulations to Lucy Duckmanton, who came third with her wonderful clarinet playing and George Burrage, who won the Young Brass Musician of the Year. Congratulations to Nick Fisher and Phoebe Jenkins who also obtained places in the



final and played brilliantly.

Thank you to the Recorder Ensemble (Phoebe Jenkins, Lucy Napthine, Darcy Minihane, Lucy Duckmanton, Georgia Braithwaite and Tini James) who were invited by the Rotary Club to entertain the audience last night.

My thanks of course to Mary Loudon, Paul Wilson and Robert Starr who continually teach and support our talented youngsters!

Eon Bus

As last year, we were fortunate once again to have the Eon Discovery Bus on site this week. This is a very impressive resource, and Year 5 and Year 6 learnt much about electricity (both its power and its dangers!).

DARE Graduation for Year 6

This will take place on Monday 30 March 9.30 a.m. in the School Hall. All Year 6 parents are invited.

Computer Club



Our new computer club, led by Mrs Hayes, had its first session this week. We purchased digital cameras, web cams and other resources for the pupils use.



A team of four pupils played in the Newark Chess League at North Muskham School. Altogether nine teams competed in this new league. With 8 points we came third in this challenging competition, so very well done to Joshua Briggs, Alexander McGinley, Zoltan Szikszai and Dominic Kelly.

Athletics

As you know we reached the finals of the Newark and Sherwood Athletics Challenge Competition. The best 8 teams competed in the event at Southwell Minister School. With a score of 106 points we were runners up. A mighty, mighty achievement! Congratulations to Dominic Kelly, Georgia Braithwaite, Henry Ellis, Kenya Watson, George Woodman, Freya Bennison, Henry Woodman, Alice Walton, Madison Raynor, Bradlee Warriner, Jessica Dent and Morgan Raynor.

Castleblaney Visit

Our visitors are due in on the 31st March. Can you please send in the promised air beds as soon as possible? Thank you.

Palm Sunday Mass

This is one of our annual whole-school Masses which we celebrate with our parishioners. I would like as many children as possible to attend on Palm Sunday which is 5 April at 10.00am. Year 5, as tradition holds, will once again enact the Passion of Jesus in mime and dance.



I realise that Palm Sunday is at the start of the Easter holidays but if you are not going away please do your best to attend if at all possible. I would like the children to be in school uniform please. Thank you.

Red Nose Day

The children raised, with your support, a grand total of £550.42 for this worthwhile charity. Well done children and thanks again!

Breakfast Club

The Breakfast Club will celebrate their first anniversary on 31 March. They will be offering free toast and drinks to every child in school. There will also be a bouncy castle at the start of the school day. The club has been a great success so well done to the team: Mrs Cree; Mrs Jacklin; Mrs Robinson; Mrs Dean and of course the rest of the committee members who oversee the club.

Flora – Cooking with Schools Tokens

We are collecting these, thank you.

FHT – Magic Show

This will be on Friday 27 March at 6.30 p.m. in the school Hall. Tickets are £3.50 each and children must be accompanied by an adult please. The last Magic Show was great success and enjoyed by all.

School Uniform

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE **LABEL** your child's school uniform. We had to dispose of approximately 30 items of clothing which had remained unclaimed for 2 months last week! This included sweatshirts and coats! In the next few weeks a permanent marker will be available in each class; each child whose sweatshirt or coat is unlabelled will be asked to put their initials on the garment's label in an attempt to reduce lost property.

FHT Cinema nights

The children really enjoyed the two cinema evenings during the week. Thank you to the parents who gave up their time to make popcorn, hotdogs and drinks for the children. Thank you FHT once again!

Garden Shed

This has now arrived. Thank you Robert Beall and Smiths Timber for putting it all together! We now await our goodies from Morrison's. Our garden team have been busy creating a compost area, have dug over some beds and cut and tidied the edgings. Thank you!

The garden team now require your help from 11 a.m. on Saturday 28 March. They are installing a path in the school garden and the more help you can offer the better. If you can spare a little time please contact Sharon Favill (telephone 07929372944), Olivia Blackburn or the school office.



Barry Doran
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