



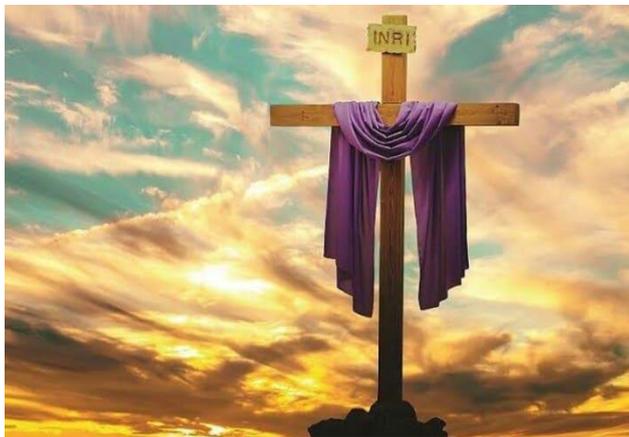
St Chrysostom's Newsletter

April 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to welcome back all our children and families! We hope that you have enjoyed the Easter break. Easter is one of the most significant events in the Christian calendar. Christians commemorate the day that Jesus rose from the dead. The egg is an ancient symbol of new life and from a Christian perspective, Easter eggs are said to represent Jesus' emergence from the tomb and resurrection. Easter is a time to celebrate hope and new life. This could not be more pertinent at this current time.



Punctuality

It is really important that your child arrives at school in good time. Gates are open every morning at 8.40am. Children must be in school by 9am. Children who arrive after this time are marked as late.

When children arrive in school, they access Early Bird Maths. As soon as it is 9am, lessons begin promptly. If your child is late, there will be lost learning.

Unfortunately, some children are arriving late on a regular basis. This affects their overall attendance and can lead to a fine by Manchester City Council. We want to work with our families to achieve good punctuality but equally, we are duty bound to report attendance concerns. Please make every effort to arrive on time.



Parking

Morning drop offs and afternoon pick-ups are always busy times. However, we must keep our children safe at all times. I have continued to observe cars doing three point turns during these busy periods causing traffic congestion and creating an unsafe space for young children. If you are facing the wrong direction, please drive around the block rather than do a three point turn.



Easter Football

It was lovely to see so many children attend our football sessions during the Easter holidays. Over 40 children attended each day. Our local Community Police Officers, John, Josh and Neil, organised this event. Our children showed impeccable manners and enjoyed the training and football games. Every child participated and gave their best. Thank you to John, Josh and Neil for giving up their time - hopefully we can build on this success and offer more events such as these in the future.

Mary's Meals

Next month, we will be fund raising for a charity that is dear to our hearts. Mary's Meals provides hungry children with a nutritious meal in developing countries. The meals provided gives children the energy and opportunity to learn and offers them the chance of a brighter future. Our School Council will be coming up with ideas how to raise funds for this worthwhile cause. It also upholds our Christian ethos of supporting those less fortunate than ourselves.



Thank you to all our families for your continued support. We are most grateful and feel fortunate to be working with such a supportive school community. We wish everyone who is observing Ramadan in our school community, Ramadan Mubarak.



Mrs Dean