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Dear Parent/Carer,

Easter Blessing:

May the loving power of God,
which raised Jesus to new life,
strengthen you in hope,
enrich you with his love,
and fill you with joy in the faith;

Easter holiday

We break for the Easter holiday this **Thursday 24th March at 2:00 pm**. There will be no Tea Time Club on **Thursday 24th March**. The school re-opens for the **Summer term on Thursday 7th April as normal**.

Afterschool Clubs

Afterschool clubs will run as normal from **Monday 21st March to Wednesday 23rd March**. We will finish the current clubs on **Friday 8th April** with new clubs for the Summer term starting on **Monday 11th April 2016**.

Parents' Conference Meetings

Thank you to all the parents that were able to attend the parents' conference meetings on the **16th and 17th March**. Your commitment to our partnership for your child's improvement is much appreciated.

Class assembly

There will be a class assembly for **3K on Friday, 22nd April 2016 at 9:05 am**; parents with children in this class are warmly welcome.

Holy Week Assemblies

In order to focus our minds on the Passions of Christ during Holy Week; the children will remind us of the very important moments including his death and resurrection in a series of assemblies as follows:

Monday 21st March at 9:05 am - Year 3 Holy Week assembly

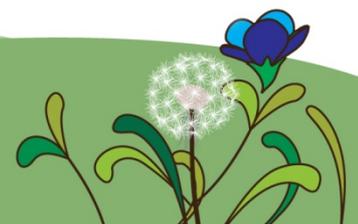
Tuesday 22nd March at 9:05 - Year 4 Holy Week assembly

Wednesday 23rd March at 9:05 am - Year 5 Holy Week assembly

Thursday 24th March at 9:05 am - Year 6 Holy Week assembly



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Year 1 Easter Performance

In KS1, the year 1 children will also remind us of the sacrifices made for us during this special time during their KS1 Easter performance **on Tuesday 22nd March at 9:45.**

CAFOD 2016 - Make a Splash

As you are aware each year during Lent St Francis' supports the CAFOD appeal. In 2012, CAFOD's Lent campaign focused on water, as a result £9million was raised which was doubled by the UK government to £18million. That money helped to make a big difference in communities like Simatelele in Zimbabwe. As water is such a vital resource this year CAFOD has focused on water again in it's ***Make A Splash*** appeal. World-wide it is estimated that women and girls spend 140 million hours a day collecting water. For some girls this means walking several hours to and from a water point when they could be going to school, studying or playing with friends. Lack of access to water at home and at school, prevents girls from gaining the education that can change their lives and the lives of their families.

Pope Francis has called this year the Year of Mercy, where we reflect on the place of God's actions in our lives. As a result, St Francis' will support the ***Make a Splash*** appeal and every pound you give to CAFOD up to the value of 3.5 million will be matched by the UK government. Your children will be coming home with the CAFOD envelopes this week; **they are due back at school by Tuesday 22nd March 2016.**

Please support this very important appeal.

Class photos

The new date for class photos is Thursday 14th April; please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform on this day.

N. Scott
Head Teacher

