



# SMC NEWS



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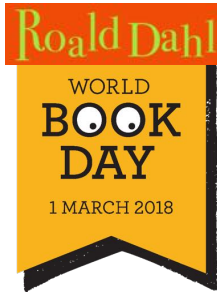
## REMINDERS

### February

- Thursday 8th** *Break Up*
- Friday 9th** - PD Day SCHOOL CLOSED
- Monday 19th** *Back to school*
- Tuesday 27th** - Parent Consultation Evening

### March

- Thursday 1st** - WORLD BOOK DAY
- Thursday 1st** - Parent Consultation Evening
- Friday 2nd** - School Mass 9am All welcome
- Tuesday 6th** - Y2S Parental Engagement 2:30pm
- Tuesday 13th** - Y1W Parental Engagement 2:30pm
- Wednesday 14th** - Stay and Pray (Parents welcome) Y6 2:30pm
- Thursday 15th** - Y3L Parental Engagement 2pm
- Thursday 15th** - Y2Mc Parental Engagement 2:30pm



### March

- Monday 19th** - Stay and Pray (Parents welcome) Y5L 2:45pm
- Tuesday 20th** - Stay and Pray (Parents welcome) Y1S 2:45pm
- Wednesday 21st** - Y6 Parental Engagement 9:15am
- Wednesday 21st** - Stay and Pray (Parents welcome) Y1W 2:45pm
- Thursday 22nd** - Stay and Pray (Parents welcome) Y3C 9:10am
- Thursday 22nd** - Y4W Parental Engagement 9:15am
- Thursday 22nd** - Stay and Pray (Parents welcome) Y2S 2:45pm
- Friday 23rd** - EYFS Easter Crafts - Parental Engagement 9:10am
- Friday 23rd** - Y5L Parental Engagement 9:15am
- Friday 23rd** - Stay and Pray (Parents welcome) Y3L 2:45pm
- Monday 26th** - Y4N Parental Engagement 9:10am
- Tuesday 27th** - Y3C Parental Engagement 9:10am
- Tuesday 27th** - Stay and Pray (Parents welcome) Y2Mc 2:45pm
- Tuesday 27th** - Y1S Parental Engagement 2:30pm
- Wednesday 28th** - Both Year 4 classes - Easter Reflection 2:15pm

## A note from Miss McNicholas

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This week the children have been concentrating and discussing the importance of internet safety. The children have listened and discussed some very challenging evidence in relation to the negative use of the internet and the dangers that accompany this. Our pupils have been so mature and I have been impressed with their honesty and their questioning in wanting to understand more. On Wednesday, PCSO Eric Barrett presented an excellent assembly on internet safety to our Key Stage 2 children. He stressed again to the children, that not setting your privacy settings is just like leaving your front door open! The majority of popular social media accounts state that they should only be accessed by people aged 13 and above. so realistically no children in our school should have these accounts - but from discussions this week it is clear that many of the children are accessing these sites. If as parents, you allow this to happen, please ensure that your child behaves responsibly and safely on these sites and the privacy settings are in place. Please see overleaf for more details on this.



Lent covers the 40 days ahead of Easter, starting from Ash Wednesday and ending on Holy Saturday. Lent symbolises the days which lead up to Jesus' crucifixion and subsequent resurrection when Christ spent 40 days and nights alone in the desert. Lent is seen as a time of penance and prayer before Easter.

This year, Ash Wednesday is 14th February 2018 and your children will not be in school to mark this occasion and receive the ashes. Ash Wednesday is one of the most important holy days in the liturgical calendar. The practice includes the wearing of ashes on the head. The ashes symbolise the dust from which God made us. Priests administer ashes during Mass and all are invited to accept the ashes as a visible symbol of penance. The ashes are made from blessed palm branches, taken from the previous year's Palm Sunday Mass. I would encourage you to accompany your children on Wednesday to Mass to receive the ashes. Please see below for the Mass time in our Parish.

Remember the children are not in school tomorrow! Have a wonderful break. We will be back in school Monday 19th February 2018.

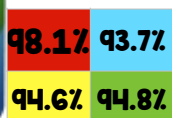
*Miss McNicholas*

### Ash Wednesday Mass Times

9:5am St Anne's Church,  
Grangetown

7:00pm St Andrew's Church,  
Teesville

**Last week**



**This week**

