

# Blessed Robert Widmerpool Catholic Voluntary Academy

27th March 2015

## Holy Week

On Tuesday, **Year 4** started our journey through Holy Week with an amazing depiction of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. They sang beautifully and as one Year 6 child commented on our Blog, 'their voices shone like the sun'. Children enacted this aspect of Holy Week with such commitment and energy that the school and parents who attended were left with a real feeling of being there. We experienced the joy and excitement and yet were aware of the great sadness that was to come.

On Wednesday we celebrated our whole school Passover celebration, remembering that this was the meal that Jesus shared with his disciples, his Last Supper. There was a party atmosphere in the hall with singing and sharing of food and drink along with the traditional story of the Exodus and the Jewish heritage that Jesus was brought up in.

On Thursday, **Year 5** led us in our whole school Mass with the depiction of the Last Supper. It was a very poignant occasion. Year 5 are fabulous singers and they used their talents well throughout the Mass. They are also great actors and provided us with time to contemplate Jesus' actions at the Last Supper and his service to others and his challenge to us to follow in his footsteps and example.

Today **Year 6** shared their powerful and solemn depiction of the Crucifixion. I am at a loss for words to describe how impressive this occasion was. The Year 6 children were phenomenal and through their drama and singing they took us on a journey with Jesus to Calvary and on his death on the cross. I cannot single out any one child, they were all wonderful.

I would like to thank the parents who came along to see their child's class during this Holy Week and the way they respected the solemnity of each of the celebrations. Unusually for us there was no clapping just reverent silence befitting this holiest of weeks. I appreciate everyone's respect and consideration for this and hope that we have played a small part in the preparation for your child and family to celebrate Holy Week and the joy of Easter

**Year 3** will be leading us in a celebration of the Resurrection on Thursday at 10.00am. Parents from this class are welcome to join us.

## Healthy Tuck Shop - Reminder

Fresh fruit, cheese and crackers and healthy snack bars are on sale for KS2 each break time from Mrs Larcombe for 30p each.



## Reminders

Thursday 2nd April

10.00am

Year 3

Depiction of the Resurrection

### **Schoolcomms – Online Payments App**

Schoolcomms is also available as an app so please download onto your phone or other device if you have not already done so. Search for **School Gateway** and download from there. It is a quick and easy way to pay online for school dinners, visits, music lessons and after school clubs. Please contact the school office if you need more information on this.

### **Lunchtime Clubs**

There will be a 'Knit and Natter' club on Wednesdays during lunchtime with Mrs Smith starting after Easter – more info to follow.

Chess club will also be starting after Easter run by Miss Ferrara – more info to follow.

Finally it is with great sadness that I have to inform you that Mrs Cave, a Teaching Assistant in the Foundation Stage will be leaving us at the end of this term. Mrs Cave has been a valuable member of our school team and has supported so many children and families as they have joined our Foundation Stage. Her smile and laughter are infectious and we will miss her terribly. We wish her all the best for the future.

Just to clarify, I will still be here after Easter but not all the time. If you need to contact me the office will be able to get hold of me and rest assured BRW will always have my loyalty.

Best wishes for a Holy and happy Easter.

Mrs Blake

## **EASTER**

The years turns at Easter time.  
Button buds collect on your branches  
and like a sprinkling of young yellow suns,  
bright daffodils colour  
the hibernating fields and hedgerows.

The year turns, slowly and silently, into spring  
and everywhere the new born chicks, lambs and fledglings  
struggle to be seen, heard and noticed.  
Out of the grey, bare days of the weak winter  
the sacred strength of spring emerges.

The year turns and Mother Earth lifts her ashen face  
to the pale blue of the brightening sky.  
In celebration she pushes up  
the timeclocks of the ages –  
a flourish of flowers, a blast of blossom.