

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

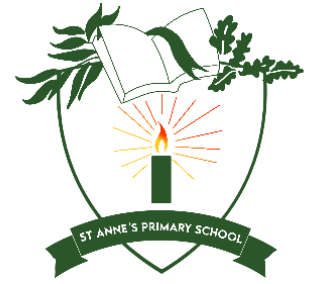
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Dear Parents,

Next Wednesday, 14th February, marks the first day of the season of Lent.

During Lent, children who have taken their First Holy Communion will also have the opportunity to take part in Reconciliation.

This Lent, we will be raising money for **CAFOD and the Catholic Children's Society**. This year's appeal is inspired by Pope Francis' call for young people to use their voice to make a difference in the world. Every penny raised by the school will support their work with local disadvantaged children and families.

During Lent, it is important to do something for others rather than just give something up. It would be wonderful if you could take some time to talk to your child about what 'actions' they could do to help others. We have spoken to all the children about the 3 things we are asked to do during Lent to be closer to Jesus.

1. Fasting - Try not to eat as many snacks and save the money up.
2. Give – Give your time more to elderly relatives.
3. Pray – Say our special prayer (EYFS/ Year 1) / Say the Hail Mary or Our Father every day (Year 2 upwards)

Fundraising – Make Your Voices Heard

On the last day of half term, your child will come home with a calendar to use during Lent to fill with 'actions' they can do to make a difference during Lent. It would be great if you could try to look at this daily with your child to reflect on this very important season.

We are asking children to get sponsored for taking part in completing actions linked to giving, fasting and praying. Any money raised or donated can be made through the 'Lent 2024' link on SCOPAY throughout the season of Lent.

You may decide to sponsor your child for each action they complete or make a one-off donation on SCOPAY. A family suggestion is £5.

Any other donations through the link would also be greatly appreciated. At the end of Lent, we will share with you how much money has been raised.

We look forward to a very special term. Please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions at all.

God Bless,

Mrs Kemp-Smith

