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### School Mission Statement

*'We walk kindly in the footsteps of Jesus Christ as we live and learn'*

March 2024

Dear Parents,

We have so much excitement to report from the last half-term – I cannot believe we've reached Easter already!

### Holy Week

Year 4 began our Holy Week at BRW with a celebratory performance of Jesus's **Entry into Jerusalem**. Their passion, energy and narration of the key moments in this event were wonderful to see. We particularly enjoyed the new songs they shared with us.



### DATES – PENTECOST 1 2024

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April**

Return to School

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

Bank Holiday

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

Ascension Mass at Corpus Christi (9.30am)

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May**

Foundation Stage Sports Day at 1.30pm

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May**

BRW Music Evening 5.00pm

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

KS1 Sports Day – Years 1 and 2 at 2:00pm

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

KS2 Sports Day - Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 at 1:30pm

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

INSET DAY

On Wednesday our pupils came together to learn about Jewish **Passover**, a meal that Jesus would have shared with his disciples as he neared his passion. It was delivered confidently by our Year 6 leaders.

On Thursday, Year 5 led a solemn but beautiful liturgy that re-enacted **The Last Supper**. It was a special occasion during which we could understand further Jesus's mission of serving others. We hope to share in Jesus's mission in our own actions over Easter!

On the same day, Year 6 performed a sombre, poignant re-enactment of the **Crucifixion**. Their own passion, drama, composure and singing moved each and every one of us. Together, they took Years 2 to 5 on a journey with Jesus as he approached Calvary. We were reminded about Jesus's sacrifice for the world.

I would like to extend a big thank you to the parents who were able to come into school and see our Holy Week performances. It is the most important time in our liturgical calendar and we feel privileged to share it with our wider school community.

## Spring Ducks!

We welcomed some temporary additions to the BRW family this March: ducklings! We learned so much from nurturing them right from the egg stage to healthy, swimming ducklings! They taught us about life-cycles, care of creation and one of our 5Rs: responsibility! The pupils (and staff and parents!) became incredibly fond of our ducklings, so we were sorry to see them leave us and move to happy pastures new after a week. We look forward to nurturing another batch next year!



## BRW Spring Raffle

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, we came together as a whole school to draw our Annual Spring Raffle! We kept with the popular theme of Easter Eggs established last year. We are incredibly grateful to the generous donations of Easter eggs and the keen purchasing of raffle tickets! There were several hampers of differing sizes won as well as individual eggs to enjoy. Congratulations to our winners and once more, thank you for donating. This year, we will be putting these funds towards developing our school further for our pupils.



## World Book Week

We celebrated reading for a whole week again this year! We enjoyed mystery readers; a costume day where book characters and words were celebrated; a café full of a buzz and love for reading; and a special guest author! Thank you to all those who were able to get involved to support the children and our school. Your kind donations at the second-hand book stall and cake stall are always appreciated, as were the incredible efforts made with costumes!

## British Science Week

British Science Week took place this half-term and our Science Ambassadors led a superb assembly to launch the event in BRW. Not only did we embrace science throughout the week in school, but you embraced science at home too with our whole school competition to create a science poster based on the theme of 'Time'. The creativity of our children and our families yet again blew us away. The winner will be announced by Mrs Byrne after Easter!

We have had a jam-packed second half-term of Lent. It has gone so fast!

We wish you a happy and Holy Easter break and look forward to seeing you on our return to school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Maylard-Mason  
Head Teacher