



**Friday 15th
March 2019**

Dear Parents

St Patrick

We were delighted to welcome Headteachers from a number of schools in Wandsworth and Sutton earlier this week, to help us review the quality of provision for teaching and learning across the school. Despite the process being facilitated by a trained OFSTED inspector, it was less of an inspection and more of a review. I am delighted to say that the outcome was very positive. Children were challenged and deepened in their understanding, leadership within phases was also seen as a strength on which we will continue to build.

As part of their topic investigating the Tudors, Year 5 visited Hampton Court Palace last Friday. They had a great time, learning lots of interesting facts. They also enjoyed getting lost in the maze!

Year 2 had a fantastic trip to St Paul's Cathedral and the Monument on Monday this week, to enrich their learning about the Great Fire of London. This was followed by a visit to our local Fire Station yesterday, which enabled them to compare fire engines from 1666 and today. They had a really good time and even had a turn at squirting the fire hose!

Year 5/6 took part in a Rugby Tournament and came 5th out of 16 schools from across the borough,. Today some children are taking part in the finals of the Merton Sports Schools Partnership swimming gala, so we wish them all the best of luck in their heats.

I would also like to mention that we have our very own Super Hero at St Teresa's! Ryan in Year 3 was watching out of his bedroom window, when he saw four men acting suspiciously. Whilst observing them he noticed they were trying to steal a neighbour's motorcycle. He alerted his Mum, who rang the police immediately. The Police arrived just in time to stop the thieves in their tracks. Well done Ryan!

Thank you to all parents who supported the Travelling Book Fair in school this week. The school will be able to receive some lovely new books from the proceeds.

This Sunday we celebrate St Patrick who, as well as driving 'snakes out of Ireland', was called to serve Christ as a Priest following his early life as a shepherd. The question we may ask ourselves during this second week of Lent is, "What God is calling me to do now?"



Mr J Dachtler
Headteacher

Would you like to be a Parent Governor?

We will be emailing out information regarding some vacancies for Parent Governors on Monday 18th March. We would be very interested to hear from any parent who would like to apply,. The closing date for these elections is Monday 1st April at noon.

Please contact the Clerk to the Governors, Mrs Ceylan Luke, should you require more information, following the email sent next week.

Wraparound Summer Club!

We have developed an exciting opportunity for children to attend our Summer Club over the first 2 weeks of the school holidays—Monday 22nd July– Fri 26th July and Monday 29th July–Fri 2nd August 2019.

Parents will be able to book daily sessions from 8.00am – 5.30pm at a reduced cost per child of £25 per day up until the end of term. Remaining places will be available at a cost per child of £30 per day after this time.

The Summer Club will be led by experienced school staff, including some of those already involved in our well established Wraparound provision.

Children will be offered a morning and afternoon snack/drink and will be required to bring in a packed lunch.

Please email summerclub@st-teresas.merton.sch.uk if you would like to book a place or ask a question.

We look forward to hearing from you.



Dates for your Diary

Date	What is happening	Time	Where
Mon 18 March	Vision Screening for Reception Children—letters already sent out by the school.	9.00am—3.00pm	Reception 3rd classroom
Wed 20 March	Y5 children out at Royal Albert Hall—Thames Tales —parents have received a detailed letter with instructions for collecting at the end of the day	11.00am—10.00pm	Royal Albert Hall
Fri 22 March	KS2 Film Night—Showing the Incredibles 2 - £3.00 per child payable on ParentPay, which includes a drink and some popcorn. Children to be collected from the <u>playground—via the Church Car Park Entrance only</u> —promptly at 5.30pm please.	3.30pm—5.30pm	School Hall
Thurs 28 March	Year 1 Trip to RHS Wisley—linking with their topic on plants.	9.00am—3.30pm	Wisley Gardens, Surrey
Fri 29 March	Nursery Mothers Day Tea Party Nursery Mothers Day Tea Party	9.00am—10.00am 2.30pm—3.30pm	School Hall School Hall

Reminder to Year 4 and 5 Parents

If you are planning on sending your child to a Catholic High School, evidence of Mass attendance will be required by the school, from your Parish Priest. To enable the priest to provide this, there will be forms available at the back of the church on random weekends, which need to be completed by parents, to confirm attendance. Please ensure that when Canon Michael announces that these forms are available, you do not miss out. Thank you.

Riddle of the Week:

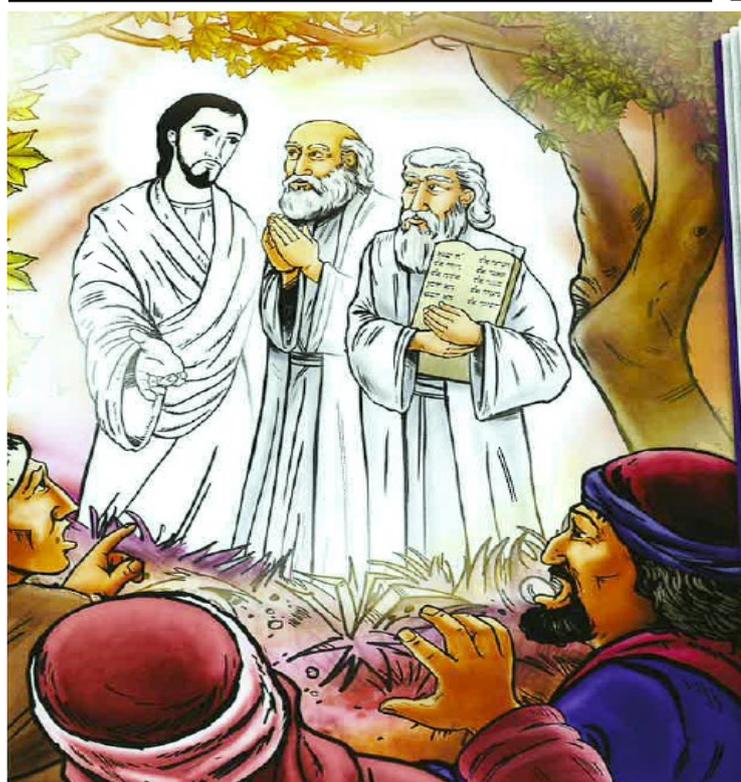
I have four fingers and a thumb yet I am not a hand.

What am I?

Last week's Riddle of the Week:

I fly without wings and I cry without eyes.
What am I?

Answer: A cloud.



Adapted from

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH SUNDAY 17TH MARCH 2019



Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the appearance of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing over (his death, his resurrection and his ascension) which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw Jesus' glory and the two men standing with him. As Moses and Elijah were leaving, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." As he spoke, a cloud overshadowed them; and the disciples were afraid. Then a voice came from the cloud saying, "This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him".

Taken from the Gospel of Sunday 17th March 2019
Luke 9:28-36 (The 2nd Sunday of Lent, Year C)

Everyone can learn more about this Gospel in Church - all are warmly invited.

"Love proves itself by deeds, so how am I to show my love?" St Thérèse of Lisieux