

Endsleigh Holy Child VC Academy



Headteacher Mrs. E Barrs
Newsletter 28th March 2025



Dear parents and carers,

Another successful week in school has gone by, with much to be grateful for. The children are able to enjoy their playtimes even more with the improvements to the weather and I always enjoy going out to chat with them during their breaks.

This week, we have welcomed colleagues from other schools in our Trust to share and moderate the children's work. It has been great for our teachers to be able to share ideas and good practice with each other, building on existing positive relationships across our family of schools.

I know that the children have been busy with surprises ahead of the weekend, and as we approach Mothering Sunday, we send our love and best wishes to all the mothers and mother figures in our school community. We are blessed in having the ultimate role model in Mary Our Mother and so we pray:

Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee,
blessed are thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

For the next few weeks, I will be leaving you in the capable hands of our fantastic staff team and I look forward to getting back to it as soon as possible. In the meantime I wish you a happy Mothering Sunday and a very happy Easter when it comes in a couple of weeks,



Best wishes Mrs. Barrs

Pupil Voice

Class 4

This week we have finally finished our class reading book "The Explorer". The ending was everything we could have hoped for and more; breathtaking, emotional and fulfilling. On Thursday afternoon, we went into battle with class 3/4 and participated in a debate about saving the precious Amazon rainforest. Our brains have been stretched this week as we have continued to extend our knowledge of fractions, which we will continue next week. We can't wait to finish our writing topic next week and create a non chronological report about our very own mythical creatures!

Yorkshire Water Installations

Earlier this week we had a Rescue 2 operations team on our site installing five sustainable drainage solutions around our site. We were successful in a funding application with Yorkshire Water as part of their 'Living With Water' scheme. The 5 planters have been plumbed into our guttering to help capture rainwater and are part of a nationwide aim to reduce the amount of drain water in our national system.

We would like to thank Rescue 2 and Yorkshire Water for the grant and the installation. The planters look lovely. Already our pupils have shown keen interest in how they work as well as how we as a school can further develop our approach to sustainability.

In the very near future, we will be looking to create living walls as well as adding more greenery to our classrooms and working spaces within the school building.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Stay and Pray Class 3/4 – 3pm 26th March

Stay and Pray Class 5/6 – 3pm 2nd April

Parents Consultation Evening April 2nd 3.40pm – 5.20pm

Parents Consultation Evening April 3rd 3.40pm – 6.50pm

Easter Holiday - school closes on Friday 4th April and re-opens on Tuesday 22nd April

Y4 swimming lessons - Tue 22/04/2025 to Fri 02/05/2025

May day - Monday 5th May

Half term - school closes on Friday 24th May and re-opens on Monday 2nd June

Summer Music Concert – Tuesday 17th June

School closes for the summer break on Friday 18th July

School opens for the Autumn Term on Wednesday 3rd September

Easter Egg Raffle

The school council have organised an Easter Egg raffle to raise money for a Buddy Bench. There will be 3 prizes to win and the raffle tickets will cost £1 a strip and the children can buy as many raffle tickets as they would like! These will be sold by the school councillors every morning on the school playground. The winners will be drawn on Friday 4th April.



Parents Consultation Evenings

Wednesday 2nd April 3.40pm – 5.20pm

Thursday 3rd April 3.40pm – 6.50pm

Please book via the Arbor App – appointments will be available from 6pm on Friday 21st March

Refreshments will be available (cash payment only) and there will be a book fair (card payment only) in the school hall during both evenings

The Tigers and Bears had a lovely two afternoons when they surprised someone special with juice and biscuits. The children chose and shared a story with their mums and gave them a special card which they had made. Thank you to everyone who was able to make our Mother's Day Surprise and make it into such a special occasion.



Designated Roles

SENCO/Safeguarding Lead – Mr. J Fox

Assistant Head – Mr. J. Guthrie

EYSF Lead – Mrs. J Leach