

Let Your Light Shine

Matthew 5:16

# Canon Popham C of E Primary Academy Newsletter



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## Friday 28th February 2025

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The VALUE we are exploring this half term is

## **FORGIVENESS**

We have looked this week at: **Wiping the slate clean Colossians 3.13**

We will look next week at: **Turning over a new leaf Luke 19.1-10**

**LENT and EASTER – GUS and TOM**

### What's happening in school:

#### Week beg 3<sup>rd</sup> March

Danum Read Aloud school competition during this week

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Y3&Y4 Basketball festival @ Hungerhill school

**Weds 5<sup>th</sup>** – School Danum Read Aloud competition final

**Thurs 6<sup>th</sup>** – World Book Day 2025

**Fri 7<sup>th</sup>** – Y3/4 Spelling Bee final

#### Week beg 10<sup>th</sup> March

**Tues 11<sup>th</sup>** – Y2 parent/carer mtgs

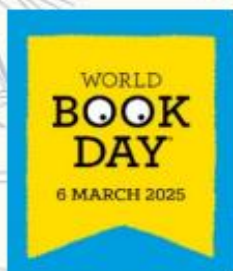
**Weds 12<sup>th</sup>** – Y5 parent/carer mtgs

**Thurs 13<sup>th</sup>** – Y4 parent/carer mtgs

**Thurs 13<sup>th</sup>** – Y5 visit Space Centre



Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025!



World Book Day will soon be upon us and we're looking forward to celebrating our love of reading with some exciting activities! This year, we're holding a paper plate competition—decorate a paper plate as your child's favourite book character using colouring, painting, collage, or even photographs. Don't forget to write your child's name and class on the back for judging! Children are also invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Be resourceful and use what you have at home to recreate a character from a beloved story—there's no need to spend lots of money. Let's get creative and celebrate the joy of reading together!



Let your  
light  
shine!  
On  
everyone,  
everywhere  
everyday!  
**Matthew**  
**5:16**



### Team points for this week

St ANDREW: 66 = 3rd

St GEORGE: 59 = 4th

St PATRICK: 98 = 1st

St DAVID: 74 = 2nd

Well done to St Patrick for this week's team winners!

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## Attendance Matters

Week 22 – 95% = School

F2 = 85.2%

Y1 = 95.6%

Y2 = 93%

Y3 = 98.6%

Y4 = 98.2%

**Y5 = 98.8% = WINNERS!!!**

Y6 = 95.3%

**Well done Y5 winners this week!**

Enjoy your extra playtime reward!

## Attendance Matters - 100%

We have 32 children who have 100% attendance since September 2024 **Well done!**

## Diary Dates – Spring term

### February 2025

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – School re-opens to pupils

### March 2025

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> – Danum Read Aloud school final

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> – World Book Day 2025

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> – Spelling Bee school final

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> – Y5 visit National Space Centre

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> – Y6 Bikeability sessions

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Donc DSAT Spelling Bee at Canon Popham

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> – Easter in a box – Year 4

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> – School closes

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April – 2 weeks

### April 2025 - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – School reopens to pupils

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Ledston Hall Y1 and Y2 visit

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – Easter Service 2.30pm Y3 leading

Good Friday and Easter Monday school closed

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> – School Photographs – class groups

### May 2025 - School closes on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May and re-opens on

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

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Amelia let her light shine in half term by performing on stage in her first dance show at cast theatre. Over the course of 3 performances in two days she danced for hundreds of people !



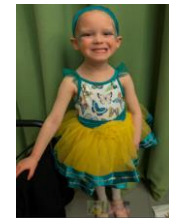
We are really proud of all of our children's efforts during half term. Well done everyone for letting your light shine!

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Lydia, Luna and Alice in Y1 all performed together in Claire Anderson's dance show at Cast over half term. The girls performed in all three shows and loved performing on stage together **letting their lights shine** showing determination and confidence to perform in front of such big audiences. Well done – we are very proud of you all!

Remi-Lee in reception **letting her light shine** bright in her first ever dance show on the big stage. Over 3 shows she danced her heart out and absolutely smashed it.



Super proud!  
Well done!



If you would like to share how your child has **Let their light shine** in some way outside of school, please email a photo and short description to their class teacher or [enquiries@cpa.dsat.education](mailto:enquiries@cpa.dsat.education) thank you.

## Let Your Light Shine – Matthew 5:16

ASH WEDNESDAY, the Wednesday 46 days before Easter Day – 5th March 2025

LENT, the period between Ash Wednesday and Easter

MOTHERING SUNDAY, the fourth Sunday of Lent – 30th March 2025

GOOD FRIDAY, the Friday in the week before Easter Day – 18th April 2025

EASTER DAY, the first Sunday after the Paschal full moon – 20th April 2025

### LENT and EASTER

Lent 2025 begins on Ash Wednesday, The Season of Lent marks the just-over-40 days leading up to Good Friday and Easter Sunday. The dates for these change every year. This year, Ash Wednesday is on 5th March 2025.

The day before (4th March) is Shrove Tuesday, also known as Pancake Day.

On Ash Wednesday Christians have traditionally marked the day by 'the imposition of ashes', which involves having a small cross mark made from ash, placed on the forehead. It signifies the serious and solemn nature of the season leading up to Good Friday and Easter.

Lent is a time of reflection, leading up to Easter. Traditionally, this meant it was also a time of fasting and giving up some of the more luxurious foodstuffs, so the day before Ash Wednesday was a time of feasting, enjoying some of the rich foods such as dairy products. This is where Pancake Day comes from.

All classes will learn about LENT and the EASTER story through lessons and by taking part in 'Stations' activity events led by Rev Tom and the Church of the Good Shepherd.



The triumphal entry into Jerusalem



The last supper



The Garden of Gethsemane and Peter's denial



The trial of Jesus



Jesus is crucified



Jesus' body is missing

Lent is meant to be a time to reflect on our lives so we will encourage children to think about our life rules or values. In school we will do this through **GUS** and **TOM**. We will ask children to think of what they would be willing to **Give Up Something**. We will ask children to reflect on **Taking On More**

You may want to try a question for home which could involve asking "What are our life rules?"