



A welcoming family of God.
Growing and achieving together with Jesus by our side.
"I am the vine, you are the branches".

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Congratulations to **YEAR 2** amazing attendance this week!!!

126 PUPILS achieved 100% attendance this week – keep up the good work!!

School Target – **96%**

School Attendance – **93.7%**

It's been a very busy week at St Teresa's. We started the week with Shrove Tuesday, where the Reception children got to make & taste their own pancakes and the children on school meals had banana pancakes with their lunch.

Ash Wednesday saw Fr. Martin come to school to place ashes on the junior children's foreheads as a sign of their commitment to God and we started our Big Lent Walk.

Friday, we celebrate World Book Day by wearing our "comfiest" clothes and enjoying reading both our favourite books and trying some new books.

Pancake Day – Our Reception children had a wonderful start to Lent making and tasting pancakes.



We're taking part in The Big Lent Walk, please sponsor us!



We've had a great turnout so far for the Big Lent Walk. Anyone is free to join in and school gates will be open from 8:30am each and every morning throughout Lent. You can use the link below for any donations, or alternatively donate by cash during the walk. We hope to smash our £50 target from last year.

<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/st-teresas-devon-street-st-helens>

500 WORDS Story Challenge

In celebration of World Book Day, we are launching a new competition for our inspiring, young writers. We want children to have fun writing their stories, be as creative as they can and make us laugh, cry or just be blown away by what we are reading.

Children are encouraged to write a story they would love to read themselves.

There are very few rules on 500 Words but a few points to remember:

All the stories **must**:

- **Be 500 words or less** (title is not included in the number)
- Be written by an individual and not a group
- Be a child's own original idea

All stories will be judged on the following criteria:

- Characterisation
- Plot
- Originality
- Language
- Enjoyment



Reception and Year 1 children are invited to participate. Parents and carers can scribe the younger children's original ideas.

There will be 3 age categories: KS1 (including reception); lower KS2 (y3 & 4) and upper KS2 (y5 & 6).

Finalists will be invited to share their short stories in assembly and winners will receive a prize.

This is an exciting opportunity for children write about what they know and love. All stories to be submitted to Mrs Helsby by **Friday 28th March.**

World Book Day - 'Comfy Friday'

We have had the cosiest day in school today and the children have listened to some lovely stories this afternoon, hopefully they can discuss which books they have enjoyed during today.



Ongoing Sessions		
	Morning	Afternoon
Monday		Fencing Yrs 3,4,5 & 6
Tuesday		Yr 5 Dance class (4:30pm)
		Yr 6 Booster (4:15pm)
Wednesday	Yr 6 Booster (8am)	
Thursday		Sports Club Yrs 3 & 4
Friday		