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Dear parents/carers,

We have had a busy week in school celebrating Holy Week and reflecting on this important time in the church's calendar. On Tuesday afternoon, Year 3 and 4 led a living stations of the cross, which was a prayerful and reflective experience for all of us; yesterday we had a whole-school mass in church which was led by pupils from Year 5 and this morning, the children in EYFS performed an Easter concert for their parents.

Easter services at church – Please see the timetable below for masses over Easter weekend:

- **Mass of the Lord's Supper** (Maundy Thursday) is at 7.30pm.
- **The Passion of the Lord** (Good Friday) is at 3pm at St Thomas of Canterbury parish church.
- **Easter Vigil Mass** (Saturday) is at 8pm at St Thomas of Canterbury parish church.
- **Easter Sunday Mass** is at 9.30am at St Sebastian's parish church.

Easter Gardens - We would like to invite the children to make an Easter Garden to bring into school after the Easter holidays. We will display these around school during the Easter season (which includes the whole of Summer 1 term).

Parents evening - Thank you to everyone who attended the parents' evening yesterday. There was positive atmosphere in the hall. If you were unable to make an appointment, the class teacher will contact you after the Easter holidays.

Homework Club – We will be starting a homework club after the Easter holidays. A separate letter has been sent out with advice about how to book.

PE days next half term – Next term, Year 5 and Year 6 will have gymnastics lessons each Wednesday afternoon and will be able to book for a gymnastics club after school. This means that PE days have changed. Please see below.

| Class | PE days |
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| Year One | Thursday and Friday |
| Year Two | Monday and Friday |
| Year Three | Thursday and Friday |
| Year Four | Tuesday |
| Year Five | Wednesday and Friday |

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| Year Six | Wednesday and Friday |
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Swimming - Year 4 should continue to bring their swimming kit and wear their school uniform to school on Wednesday this term.

Place2Be Parenting Smart Course - The parenting smart course is running again for parents/carers of children within St Sebastian's. The online course begins on April 18th and you will need to register by March 27th. You can register by clicking on the link [here](#).

Breakfast Club – Please can you book Breakfast Club in advance. When you arrive at Breakfast Club please phone **07706 580 001** to alert staff that you have arrived.

| Whole School Attendance last week | Attendance Award Winners |
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| 93.37% | Year 4 97.32% |

We aim for **96%** attendance each week so the whole school attendance for last week is disappointing. Please remember to notify the office if your child is unable to attend school because of illness. No holidays will be authorised in term time.

School finishes at **2pm** today. We re-open on **Monday 17^h April at 8.40am**. I would like to wish all our families a happy and holy Easter.

With love and prayers,

Mrs Doyle

'Do everything in love.' 1 Corinthians 16:14