



# Christ Church CofE Primary School Newsletter

25th March 2022

## Mothing Sunday Service

As this Sunday is mothering Sunday there will be a special service at 10am in Christ Church to celebrate everything that our mothers do for us as well as our Mother Church.

Mothing Sunday is the fourth Sunday of Lent.

Traditionally, it was a day when children, mainly daughters, who had gone to work as domestic servants were given a day off to visit their mother and family.

Today it is a day when children give presents, flowers, and home-made cards to their mothers.

### **History of Mothering Sunday**

Most Sundays in the year churchgoers in England worship at their nearest parish or 'daughter church'.

Centuries ago it was considered important for people to return to their home or 'mother' church once a year. So each year in the middle of Lent, everyone would visit their 'mother' church - the main church or cathedral of the area.

Inevitably the return to the 'mother' church became an occasion for family reunions when children who were working away returned home. (It was quite common in those days for children to leave home for work once they were ten years old.)

And most historians think that it was the return to the 'Mother' church which led to the tradition of children, particularly those working as domestic servants, or as apprentices, being given the day off to visit their mother and family.

As they walked along the country lanes, children would pick wild flowers or violets to take to church or give to their mother as a small gift.

## Coffee Mornings



Two years ago this week, we closed school to pupils and reopened as a childcare facility for key worker children. Since then we have been unable to open up school as we would have liked to. We want to give all parents and carers an opportunity to have a coffee morning in school where they can chat to their child's teacher and have a look at the work they have been doing in class. In year 1, 2, 4 and 6 parents will also have a chance to find out about the statutory tests that the children will take during the summer term. This will give you a chance to answer any questions and have any fears alleviated.

Please see the dates in the diary section for the dates and times. As always, if this is not convenient and you would like the information please just ask and we will organise another time for you.

## Easter Egg Competition



Easter is fast approaching and we are once again holding our annual Easter egg competition. On Thursday 7th April, any child who would like to enter the competition can bring in a home made egg. This will be judged on Friday 8th April and prizes given out during our celebration worship.

Good Luck and look forward to seeing all of you eggcellent ideas!

## Be You!



A new website has been launched to support the mental health of young people as well as supporting parents. Please find the link below.

<https://www.beyounorthumberland.nhs.uk/>

Dates for the diary-

Thursday 31st March - Year 2 Coffee Morning in hall at 9am after school drop off. The children will join you with their books after church.

Friday 1st April - Year 6 Coffee Morning in the hall at 9am

Parents Evening- 6th April 2022 choice of telephone, face to face or virtual appointments

Thursday 7th April- Decorate an egg competition with Easter egg prizes

Thursday 7th April- Year 4 Badminton Competition

Breakup for Easter Holidays - Friday 8th April

School opens for the Summer Term- Tuesday 26th April

Thursday 28th April- Active Mile Day

Monday 2nd May- School closed for bank holiday

Friday 6th May- Coffee morning to discuss and support mental health and wellbeing

Monday 9th May- Key Stage Two SATS start (year 6 children)

School will be closed on Friday 20th May for the Queens Jubilee

Thank you

Mrs. Bradford