



HALF-TERM NEWSLETTER

21st February 2025

Dear parents and carers,

As we near the end of this busy term, I want to share some exciting news about our school activities. Even with the bad weather and storms, we've managed to do a lot!

Our Year 3 children went on a special trip to Les Cotils to try Egyptian food. Year 6 continue their Bikeability training to learn about cycling safely. We've also taken part in many sports tournaments, including football, netball, badminton, and gymnastics and done extremely well in all of them! Year 5 had a fun maths day at Elizabeth College. The PTFA ran a great school disco for the children. Our school dog, Dotty, has started her training and is helping support our children.

We have had a number of teachers popping into Notre Dame to work with our teachers and see the good practice that is going on here at Notre Dame and I'm really proud that other schools have visited us to see how well we work and the high quality work the children produce. Our Upper Juniors and Mr G have created beautiful piece of artwork based on Cow Lane, which will be shown in the Turner Trail. Don't forget to take part in the Cow Art Competition over half-term as this is all linked and we will be putting some of the work into the Guernsey Eisteddfod.

Every week it has been wonderful to see our children trying hard to follow our Golden Values and show a good mindset and we have celebrated this by awarding certificates. I will let you know of our new value that we will focus on at the beginning of next term. It has also been lovely to celebrate children's other achievement such as the Guernsey Dance Festival, music awards and many, many sporting successes.

Today we raised £310 for Paws for Support, the charity that trains Dotty – thank you everyone for your generosity. We also had our Headteacher's Tea Party to celebrate children who have made excellent progress in an aspect of their learning. They were each awarded a £5 book token, kindly given by the PTFA. Well done children!

Here are some important dates to remember:

- Cow Art Competition – half term project
- 4th March: Shrove Tuesday - PTFA will sell pancakes
- 5th March: Whole School Mass for Ash Wednesday - parents are invited
- 7th March: World Book Day - children can dress as a book character or bring their favourite book

Once again, thank you for all your support over this half term. I hope you have a peaceful half-term break, and I look forward to seeing you back safe and well on Monday 3rd March.

Best wishes,

Mrs R



Dates for the Diary

MARCH

Mon	3	Back to school
Tue	4	Shrove Tuesday – PTFA pancake sale Y5/6 – De Putron Challenge
Wed	5	Mass – Ash Wednesday
Fri	7	World Book Day – dress up
Mon	10	Netball Trinity Shield
Wed	12	Y3/4 – football festival at La Mare School
Thu	13	Football Trinity Shield
Fri	14	Reception and Y6 – dental screening
Tue	25	Parents' evening (more info to follow)
Wed	26	Parents' evening (more info to follow)
Thu	27	Tag Rugby Trinity Shield
Fri	28	Trinity Cup Disco

APRIL

Tue	8	End of term Mass
Thu	10	Big Lent Walk
Fri	11	Term ends
Mon	28	INSET day
Tue	29	Back to school

MAY

Mon	5	May Day bank holiday (no school)
Tue	6	Beginning of term Mass
Thu	15	Y6 – hockey festival at Footes Lane
Fri	23	Break up for half term

JUNE

Mon	2	Back to school
Fri	6	Y5/6 – girls' cricket tournament
Tue	10	Y6 – transition day (1 of 2)
Wed	11	Y5 – Fauxquets Valley Y6 – Herm
Thu	12	Y5 – Fauxquets Valley Y6 – Herm
Fri	13	Y5 – Fauxquets Valley Y6 – Herm
Wed	18	Y4 – Les Maingys
Thu	19	Y4 – Les Maingys
Fri	20	Y4 – Les Maingys
Sat	21	First Holy Communion
Mon	23	Y6 – transition day (2 of 2)

JULY

Mon	7	Sports day
Tue	8	Leavers' Mass Y6 – leavers' evening
Sat	12	PTFA beach BBQ
Fri	18	Term ends

