



# The Friday Messenger

3rd Sunday in Lent  
Friday 1st March



## Our curriculum themes are:

- Year 1: Desert to Garden
- Year 2: Desert to Garden
- Year 3: Reconciliation- called to change
- Year 4: Jesus the Saviour
- Year 5: Reconciliation
- Year 6: Jesus, The Messiah



Year 1	Year 2
This week, the children started their new topic 'Desert to Garden'. The children listened to the scripture reading 'Jesus is tempted in the desert for 40 days (LK 4: 1-13)' and then discussed how this links to Lent. The children then explored how Lent is celebrated around the world.	This week in RE we started the new topic of 'Desert to Garden'. Our focus this week was Jesus entering Jerusalem; started with listening to the scripture and then discussed why it was important. We then thought about making bad choices and how this can harm themselves and others. To do this we read the story of the Last Supper from the scripture reading. We then thought about who in the story made the bad choice. We then used this to think about other bad choices and how they can affect others.
Year 3	Year 4
In Year three the children began a new topic linked to Lent. They learnt the true definition of sin and a sinner and considered whether different scenarios were considered sins or not. They then listened to and watched the story of Zacchaeus and thought about how Jesus treated people who had done wrong.	This week in Year 4, we started our new topic of Jesus, the Saviour. Our first two lessons of the topic focused on how Jesus is truly God and, as man, truly human. Using the Bible, the children located three scripture passages and explained how Jesus was truly human using those three scripture passages. In our second lesson, the children were split into groups of four and given two miracles of Jesus to find in the Bible. Using the scripture, the children wrote down their explanation on how it shows that Jesus is truly God. In our third lesson, we explored Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and how different groups of people in the story reacted to Jesus.
Year 5	Year 6
This week we continued to learn about Reconciliation. We discovered how Mary is our link to God; she takes our prayers to Him. We spoke in groups about the Knot of Sin. Pope Francis taught us that when children don't tell the truth to their parents, it's like a knot forming inside of us. Pope Francis has taught us that these knots can be undone by reconciling with God through reconciliation. We learnt about how this important Sacrament helps us to keep our relationship with God but it's Mary who can take our prayers and thoughts to him.	This week, the children discussed in depth how the story of the raising of Lazarus impacts Christians today. In addition, they became news reporters for the Jerusalem Times! This involved the children reporting on the anticipation of Jesus' arrival, including what could be overheard, what the atmosphere was like in the build-up and how different groups of people were feeling. The children then performed their news reports in the lesson.

<b>Gospel Values</b> This month's value is... <i>Forgiveness</i>	<i>Action! As you have heard in your daily Lent reflections this week, our 3 focus words for Lent are: pray, act and give. During Lent we are trying to spend more time in prayer each day, do acts of kindness for other people and give to others by joining in in the CAFOD 'The Big Lent Walk' campaign. This weekend, think about acts of kindness that you can complete for each member of your family: spend time reading or playing with a younger brother or sister, help with jobs around the house, send a card/message to a grandparent or make a phone/video call to them.</i>
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