## Mrs Mason's Messages



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### Headteacher's Weekly Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't believe that a term has gone by so quickly here at Idle CE Primary! My first term as Headteacher has been memorable for so many reasons and this week has certainly been one of highs and lows. Highs include welcoming so many parents, carers and families into church for our Easter service and back at school for our Seeds of Hope event; Year 4's first residential visit to Nell Bank (a huge thank you to all staff involved for their hard work in making this trip such a success!) and; the wonderful Bradford School's Prom on Tuesday night where our Year 6 continuation brass group played to a packed St George's Hall.

These highs have been tempered by the departure of some much-loved staff members—Mrs Kingham, Miss Wilbourne and Mr Clapham. We wish them all well in their new ventures and hope they visit us soon. It just remains from me to wish you all a 'Happy Easter' and a well-earned rest from the rigors of school, we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 25th April.

Mrs Mason

### School News - Staffing

It has been an emotional week at Idle CE(A) Primary as we have said goodbye to valued staff members as they continue their journeys elsewhere. Year 3KW will particularly miss Mrs Kingham and Miss Wilbourne next term. Mrs Kingham is moving to a job teaching Reception in a school closer to home and Miss Wilbourne, after serving as Acting Deputy Headteacher for the last two terms, has successfully secured a substantive Deputy Headteacher role in a school near Scarborough. We will miss them both, but are delighted to welcome Miss Iles to teach Year 3KW in the summer term. Mr Clapham has also said goodbye to our school today after 25years as site manager. We are really going to miss him! We wish him well in his retirement and new home and hope he continues to visit us. A big Idle welcome to Mr Cuccio (another Mr C!) as site manager from the Summer term.

#### SMSC Our SMSC (Social,

Moral, Spiritual and Cultural) focus this term on equality and diversity concluded this week. We have thought about different inspiring people and broadened our own understanding of equality, diversity and inclusion. Work produced and reflections on this term's SMSC theme are displayed in the link corridor.

### Worship

This week it was wonderful to welcome so many parents, carers and friends to our Easter Services which were led by our Worship Team.

Thank you for the support—it was lovely to share our reflections on the Easter story with you. It was also great to be back in church - the last time the whole school was in church was December 2019!

For God so loved the world, He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him, shall not perish, but have eternal life.

John chapter 3 verse 16

### Lenten Reflections - God

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Monday	11 <sup>th</sup>		Reflect	Today, as we continue into Holy Week, think about how Jesus cleared the temple because he was angry with those who were not using it properly. What makes you angry and how do you manage it?
Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	1	Encourage	Today, as we continue through Holy Week, think about this bible verse that says, 'encourage one another and build each other up' (1 Thessalonians 5:11). How do you think believing in God encourages people to act differently? Can you encourage someone close to you today?
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup>	**	Create	Today, as we continue through Holy Week, think about how art inspires people. Find a beautiful picture online and think about what inspired the artist to create it. (One to try could be 'The Light of the World' by William Holman Hunt. Why might he have painted it? What questions would you ask him?)
Maundy Thursday	14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>~</b>	Share	Today, as we continue through Holy Week, we remember that Jesus had a special meal with his friends.  Make or prepare some food to share with family or friends today. What makes a meal 'special' for you?
Good Friday	15 <sup>th</sup>	A	Pray	Today, Christians all over the world remember how Jesus died on the cross. See if you can find any of the special prayers for Good Friday that are used today or you could write one of your own.
Easter Saturday	16 <sup>th</sup>	Ľ,	Rest	Today, take time to rest. Take some time for yourself as a reward. Do something you enjoy, noticing the pleasure it brings, and be thankful for it.
Easter Sunday	17 <sup>th</sup>	•	Celebrate	Today is the biggest day in the Christian year as Christians all over the world celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and how that gives them joy and hope for every day. See if you can find out how your local church is celebrating today or ask someone about their memories of Easter over the years. What gives you joy today?
Monday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Q	Review	Today, think back over your journey through Lent. What have you learnt about yourself and your relationships? What might you now do differently going forward?

# In the Spotlight.... Nell Bank Residential

What an amazing time our Year 4 children had on their residential at Nell Bank this week! They spent time pond-dipping, mini-

beasting, habitat hunting, orienteering, den building, team building and walking. A massive thankyou to Mrs Craven for her delicious cooked breakfasts—a fabulous start

to our days!



The overnight stays brought, out the best in all of our children: kindness, resilience, team work and inde-

pendence. Dave and Sam, the Nell Bank leaders, were incredibly impressed with the brilliant behaviour of our pupils. We are proud of each and every one of them.

#team4

Mrs Murphy and Miss Craven

### Plant a seed of hope

After being delayed by the unseasonal weather last week, we were

delighted to welcome so many parents and carers to our *Seeds of Hope* event before and after our Easter service on Thursday. We hope the children look after their sunflowers over the Easter break and they germinate well!





### Diary Dates

8th April 2022 - School closes for Easter

25th April 2022—School opens for Summer term

2nd May - Bank holiday—school closed

9th—12th May—Year 6 SATs

27th May - School closes for half term

### Community News

Holy Trinity, Idle, has several services in Holy Week to make parents and carers aware of. All are welcome, however the Easter Sunday Celebration at 11am would be the most appropriate for families.

Maundy Thursday Communion-7pm

Good Friday - Hour Round the Cross - 7pm

Easter Saturday - Service of Fire and Light - 7pm

Easter Sunday - Communion 9.30am

Easter Sunday - Celebration - 11am



### Bradford School Proms

This week, nine of our Year 6's were part of the Bradford School's Prom at St George's Hall. They all had a great time and performed with confidence and maturity. The children have been working extremely hard with Mr Griffiths since September and they played 2 songs in front of a huge, captive audience. We were so proud with every single one of the children. A big 'thank you' to all the parents who allowed them to be part of this exciting and inspiring evening. Travelling to and from the rehearsal was definitely something that Mrs Bigger won't ever forget! Taking 9 children, 4 euphoniums and 5 trombones on the number 613 bus was

a real learning experience!

Mrs Bigger

