

## **EASTER HOLIDAY**

School closes for the Easter holiday on  
**Thursday 2nd April at 2.30 pm.**  
(school transport will be made accordingly)  
**Please note this is a non-uniform day.**

And reopens again for pupils on  
**Monday 20th April at 9.00 am.**

## **MAY HOLIDAYS**

School will be closed in May for pupils  
on the following dates:

**Monday 4th May**  
**Monday 25th May**

**Monday 25th May is an**  
**IN SERVICE DAY for staff.**

**Everyone at St John Ogilvie Primary and**  
**Early Years wishes you a very happy and**  
**peaceful Easter holiday.**



# **St John Ogilvie Primary** **Newsletter**

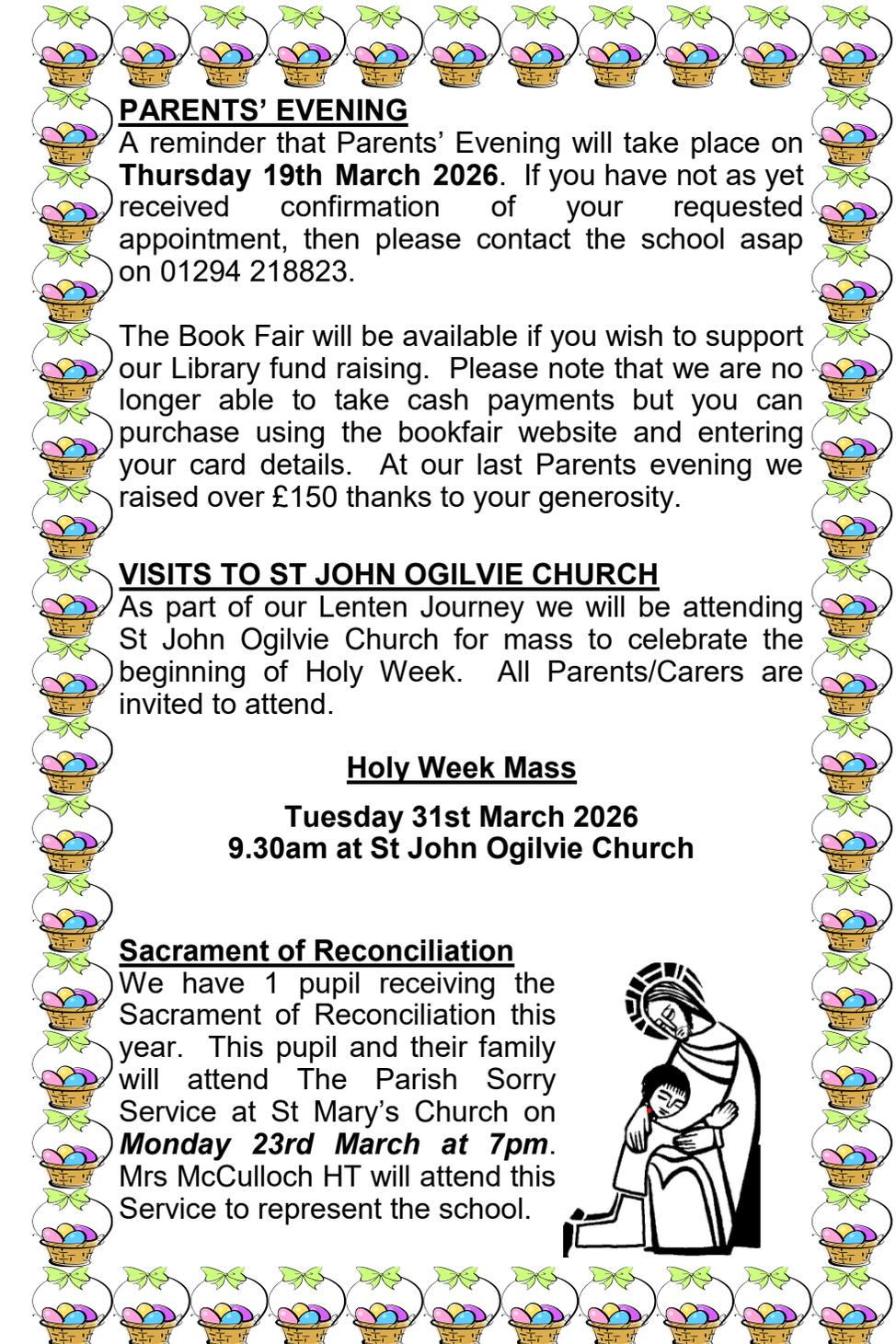


## **March 2026**

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## **PARENTS' EVENING**

A reminder that Parents' Evening will take place on **Thursday 19th March 2026**. If you have not as yet received confirmation of your requested appointment, then please contact the school asap on 01294 218823.

The Book Fair will be available if you wish to support our Library fund raising. Please note that we are no longer able to take cash payments but you can purchase using the bookfair website and entering your card details. At our last Parents evening we raised over £150 thanks to your generosity.

## **VISITS TO ST JOHN OGILVIE CHURCH**

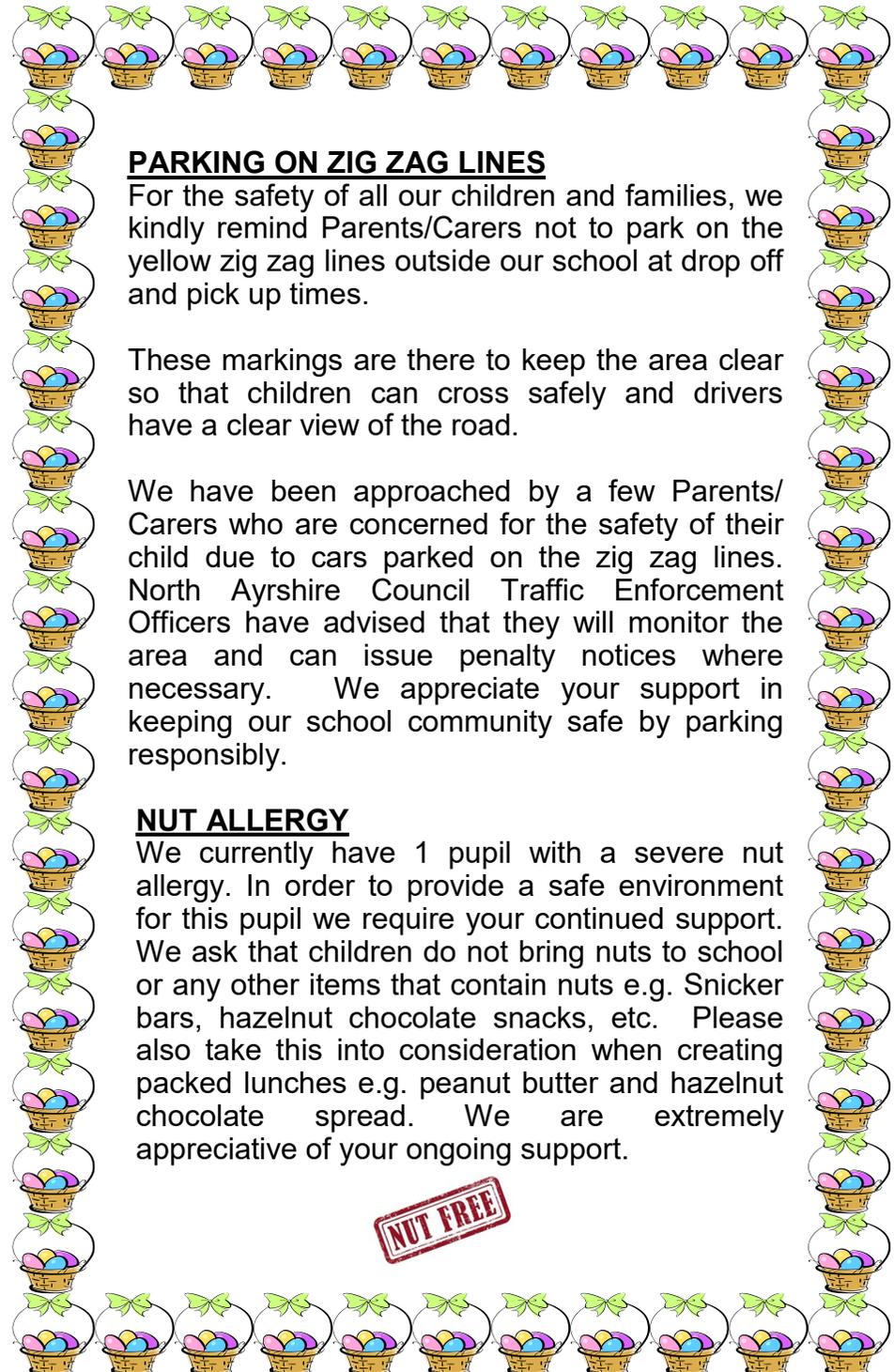
As part of our Lenten Journey we will be attending St John Ogilvie Church for mass to celebrate the beginning of Holy Week. All Parents/Carers are invited to attend.

### **Holy Week Mass**

**Tuesday 31st March 2026  
9.30am at St John Ogilvie Church**

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

We have 1 pupil receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation this year. This pupil and their family will attend The Parish Sorry Service at St Mary's Church on **Monday 23rd March at 7pm**. Mrs McCulloch HT will attend this Service to represent the school.



## **PARKING ON ZIG ZAG LINES**

For the safety of all our children and families, we kindly remind Parents/Carers not to park on the yellow zig zag lines outside our school at drop off and pick up times.

These markings are there to keep the area clear so that children can cross safely and drivers have a clear view of the road.

We have been approached by a few Parents/Carers who are concerned for the safety of their child due to cars parked on the zig zag lines. North Ayrshire Council Traffic Enforcement Officers have advised that they will monitor the area and can issue penalty notices where necessary. We appreciate your support in keeping our school community safe by parking responsibly.

## **NUT ALLERGY**

We currently have 1 pupil with a severe nut allergy. In order to provide a safe environment for this pupil we require your continued support. We ask that children do not bring nuts to school or any other items that contain nuts e.g. Snicker bars, hazelnut chocolate snacks, etc. Please also take this into consideration when creating packed lunches e.g. peanut butter and hazelnut chocolate spread. We are extremely appreciative of your ongoing support.

**NUT FREE**

## HEAD LICE

From time to time during the year we are made aware of the incidence of head lice in the school. This is a recurring situation and the best way to control it and prevent it happening again is for every parent to examine their child's hair for lice on a regular basis and carry out treatment if necessary



## IMPROVING ATTENDANCE AND LATECOMING

We understand that there are many different reasons for low attendance and late coming. As a school it is our ultimate aim to improve the wellbeing and achievement of our pupils.

Did you know that the missing 1 day of school every week is the same as missing 8 weeks of learning a year?

Did you know that if your child is 5 minutes late every day, it is the same as missing 3 school days per year?

If you are experiencing any difficulties with attendance or punctuality, please contact Mrs McCulloch, Head Teacher or Mrs McGuire, Depute Head Teacher who are always happy to offer support. Working together helps ensure every child has the best possible opportunity to succeed.

## LENTEN FUNDRAISING

Primary 7 will be hosting an Easter Egg Raffle during lunch breaks starting Monday 16th March 2026. All staff will donate an egg to be raffled. We will ensure that any pupil with an allergy or intolerance will have an appropriate prize should they win. Please advise our school office of any updates regarding food allergies.

Every child will receive a free raffle ticket so that no one is left out. If your child would like to increase their chances of winning then all other tickets will cost 10p. We will donate the money raised to SCIAF charity as part of our Lenten Almsgiving. We will draw the raffle on **Wednesday 1st April 2026**.

Please note as part of our Lenten Alms Giving all classes have a SCIAF WEE BOX on their altar. If you wish to donate spare coins then please give them to your child who can put them in the box for you.



## IRVINE ROTARY CLUB QUIZ - P7

Four P7 pupils will represent our school at Irvine Parish Church on **Friday 27th March 2026**. We wish them the best of luck!