

SUNDAY 6TH MARCH 2022

ST COLUMBA'S FAMILIES NEWSLETTER

HI FAMILIES OF ST COLUMBA'S,

If you flipped, or tucked into pancakes, on Tuesday this week you may also know that we are just starting a new season in the church calendar. Shrove Tuesday is followed by Ash Wednesday – and Ash Wednesday marks the start of the forty days of Lent, leading up to Palm Sunday, Holy Week and eventually the celebrations of Easter. Some Christians mark the 40-day period by giving up something, or alternatively, taking up something. Whatever people choose, the idea is that it helps make us more aware of Jesus' own life, his choices and the cost of his choosing to love the world.

Carnival of the Animals

This year I am very happy to introduce you to a resource for Lent that is specially created for our families at St Columba's. A new friend, retired Church of Scotland minister, Revd David Donald Scott offers a picture, accompanied by his filmed thoughts, each week of Lent. For this series he has chosen the title: "The Carnival of the Animals." Standby!



This week kicks off with an absolutely massive dinosaur! David's picture and story, which will be found on the website at <https://www.stcolumbas.org.uk/lent/meditations-for-young-people/> I hope you enjoy and let us know what you think.

This Sunday – Sunday 6th March

This Sunday is both a baptismal Sunday - we welcome Arty Holmes & Otis Niccoli – and Sunday School. Congregational Lunch to follow. Do come and make it a great day.

Recordings for Holy Week 2022

Look out for requests to help record readings and prayers for Holy Week 2022. We plan that the worship recorded for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday in Holy Week will be done by our young people and their parents. Making sure we get to hear the voices of the young in our church!
Have a great weekend and see you soon,

Angus & the Sunday School Team

P.S. More Dinosaurs



“Dippy was the first Diplodocus (DIP-low-DOCK-us) to go on display anywhere in the world when it was gifted to London’s Natural History Museum in 1905. Dippy quickly became a star, capturing hearts and imaginations, until 2017, when he began his travels. Through a tour around the UK, which involved travelling through different environments in all seasons, Dippy inspired millions of people to reconsider their relationship with nature. At a time when the UK's biodiversity is in decline, Dippy witnessed the changing state of the nation's wildlife and reminded us of the joy of our local landscape and our need to protect it.” (Natural History Museum website.)

P.P.S. What is the cleverest dinosaur in the world?.....The thesaurus!
(Not from the Natural History Museum website.)