



*'Together we enjoy learning, achieving, sharing and praying.*

*Let Jesus love shine through in everything we do.'*



# Catholic Social Teaching Newsletter February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our monthly Catholic Social Teaching newsletter where we can share information each month on what the children are learning. You can share and discuss these themes as a family.

On Ash Wednesday we started the season of Lent thinking about our promises to Jesus. Fr Marek reminded us about fasting, praying and alms giving during this period as we prepare for the passion. Do visit our stations of the cross on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March.

This month the children have heard the Gospel readings from

Mark 1: 21-28

Mark 1: 40-45

Mark 9: 2-10

We have been hearing about the life of Jesus in the lead up to Lent as he prepared the disciples.



**Our CST Awards this month:**

**Aisha (5D), Thakshitha (3W), Gideon (5D), Asaad (6Dw)**

**Let us pray:**

*Loving God we believe that the world is for everyone. We thank you for the gift of creation. Help us to take care of the planet and all the people who live in it.*

**Lord in your mercy**

**Hear our prayer**

## **Sofia the Sloth!**

Sofia often sleeps in her favourite tree within a National Park forest. One day a big machine woke her up and started chopping down the trees. She joins some of the others who call the forest home, to stop the illegal logging. She reminds the operators that these trees need to be cared for like the rest of God's creation.

*From Sofia's story we find out that we need to be caring for the many gifts that God has given to us. These include our environment, our own talents and other resources.*



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**Prayers for the family at home**

[www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/](http://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/)

Use the link to share together as a family at home.

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