



**St Chrysostom's
Newsletter
February 2024**



Dear Parents and Carers,

The weather is still cold but spring will be making an appearance soon. We look forward to the lighter mornings and evenings. I always love to see the first signs of spring, as it brings a sense of hope and new life.



Chinese New Year

To all our families who celebrate Chinese New Year ... **Happy New Year!** 2024 is the year of the dragon. In Chinese culture, the dragon represents good luck, strength and health.



As part of our celebration, some children will access a Chinese workshop. Year 2 will sing Chinese songs, Year 4 will do some origami and Year 6 will be learning Chinese calligraphy! Other classes will be learning about Chinese New Year within class.

Supporting your child

There are lots of after-school booster groups at the moment to support children with Maths. These are aimed at target children in Year 2 to Year 5 inclusive. Parents can further support their children at home with reading at home every night, learning spellings and times tables. We thank you for your support and recognise that it



makes a huge difference to our children's learning.

Year 6 Boosters

Year 6 boosters are an important part of SATs preparation. SATs (Standardised Assessment Tests) are taken by every Year 6 child in the country in May. Our staff and children work incredibly hard to prepare, and the booster classes support our children's learning. They take place every Tuesday and Thursday. Please make sure that your child attends regularly as staff give up their time to support your child with these additional classes.



Uniform



Please ensure your child wears **black school shoes** to school.

There have been a number of children wearing bright trainers. These are not part of school uniform.

D&T Club – Year 4 pupils

Mr Larn is running an after school Design and Technology club for Year 4 pupils. We look forward to seeing some finished products!

Thank you

Thank you for support so far this year. Your children continue to amaze us and I'm sure you are as proud of them as we are!



Yours sincerely
Mrs Dean