During Collective Worship, this half term, we will be using a resource from Christian Aid called Count Your Blessings. It will help us on our journey through Lent by thinking about the impact of our actions on others. As part of our Value of Responsibility, I often talk to the children about responsibility of thought, responsibility of word and responsibility of deed. For older children and adults I think this is particularly relevant as we negotiate our way through the world of Social Media. How easy is it for us to ‘jump on a bandwagon’ and join with the collective in our disparaging conversations on WhatsApp? How easy is it for us to write messages on Facebook, that we would never actually say in ‘real life’ to ‘real people’? How easy is it for us to re-tweet on Twitter, perpetuating myths and untruths about situations where we don’t have all the facts. So, maybe this Lent, instead of giving something up we should all take something up – maybe we should all just PAUSE. PAUSE and think before we hit reply, PAUSE and think before we type the message, PAUSE and think before we ‘share with our followers’. PAUSE and think about the impact of our actions on others.

With every blessing,

Mrs Amber Andrews
Headteacher

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART – MONDAY 2ND MARCH
On Monday, we will be hosting our jump rope skipping event to raise money for the British Heart Foundation. It is an exciting event where all the children will take part in skipping activities, games and competitions. The children are welcome to bring sportswear to wear for the event in the afternoon, which they can change into at lunch time. Please support your child in collecting as many donations as you can as every little helps. Get practising your skipping skills! We are all looking forward to this exciting event! Any sponsorship money should be handed in to the office by Friday 6th March. Thank you.

CELTIC WORSHIP - SUNDAY 1ST MARCH, ALL SAINTS CHURCH
Come along to this short, family friendly service this Sunday at 11am (refreshments from 10.30am) – all welcome

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FAIRTRADE SHOP AT THE VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING – WEDNESDAY 4TH MARCH
Sun Class will be holding their next Fairtrade shop at the Church Coffee Morning next Wednesday from 10am to 11am. There will be a wide range of delicious goods to buy. We are all looking forward to seeing you there!

SCHOOL MEALS
For children in Year 3 and above, the charge for meals for the half term will be £72. It would help the school enormously if you could pay for meals by your online Parentpay account. If any parents need their account reactivating please let Miss Boyd or Mrs Clegg know or email admin@allsaints.ycway.uk

SPORTS RELEIF FRIDAY 6TH MARCH
Children can wear their own clothes next Friday for £1 in aid of Sports Relief.

MUMS NIGHT OUT SATURDAY 28TH MARCH - REMINDER
Please contact Nikki asap if you would like to go along to the mum’s night out – all mums welcome!

BAKE OFF
Thank you to all those who entered the bake off competition – the cakes were fabulous and a fantastic £102 was raised to go towards help the homeless care packages.

SHARING WORSHIP TIMETABLE
Parents are warmly invited to the following sharing worships:

6th March – Mars Class at 9.10am
13th March – Saturn Class at 9.10am
20th March - Jupiter at 9.10am
27th March – Sun class at 9.10am

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