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Weekly News

Dear Parents,

We have been reflecting on this week's Gospel message. The disciples were talking to each other when Jesus appeared amongst them. Jesus wanted to communicate with them through a normal, everyday action and asked them for something to eat. After eating, Jesus gives the disciples a special job, to be his witnesses. The children have thought about how they can be positive witnesses through sharing the story of God's love and forgiveness with others.

We had a really successful and exciting day last Friday. The children worked so hard to learn and perform a brilliant dance routine for our St Mary's Flash Mob. The video of this is now on the class pages. Please take a look if you haven't already! Now is the time to gather that sponsor money. Please encourage your child to collect their sponsorships. This can be sent in cash or via the gateway app. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

The Catholic Social Teachings we are focusing on this half term are: **solidarity** and **stewardship**.

The children are learning about how we can show we care, by reaching out to those in need and also about how we can care for God's gifts, taking care of nature and creation. Through the Catholic Social Teachings, we can really focus on putting our faith in action.



Have a wonderful weekend. Kindest regards, Mrs Hill

Award Winners

During our Congratulations Assembly this morning, individual certificates have been distributed for children who have been producing some fantastic writing in different genres, being so helpful in class and demonstrating brilliant mental maths skills!

Our Class of the Week Awards were presented to YR and Y2 for always being on task and focussed.

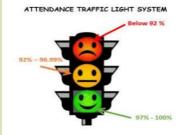
Our lunchtime award went to Y5 for cooperation and super manners.

Our winning Saint Stars team was St Cecilia - they earnt extra break for next week!

Attendance

We are driving to improve attendance across school throughout the summer term. Here are the figures for this week:

YR: 96.6%
Y1: 95.6%
Y2: 96.6%
Y3: 96.9%
Y4: 95.4%
Y5: 97.8%
Y6: 96%



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Notices

- Vocations Week: This week is a really important part of continuing our curriculum of personal development. Please see the letter from Mrs Hayes about vocations. We would love to widen the children's knowledge of vocations and would really appreciate your help in coming in to talk to the children about your particular vocation. Please complete the return slip if you are able to take part. This will be an enriching week for the children.
- We hope you managed to read the letter about the new App we are using to record accidents and first aid via Medical Tracker. If your child receives first aid treatment, you will be notified via email of the details. We started using this earlier in the week and it has been a smooth start. Please contact us if you have any questions.
- We have received complaints regarding parking on Cranleigh Close and cars that are parked blocking most or all of the footpath, causing children to have to walk onto the road. Please be mindful of considerate parking and pedestrians.
- Our school nursing team have asked us to bring your attention to the vaccination clinics that are running to ensure children are up to date with the MMR vaccine. Please see the separate email sent today.

Events

Thursday 25th April 6pm Y3 Parent meeting for First Holy Communion in school

Thursday 2nd May School nurse led fussy eating workshop 2:15pm in school – please see separate letter

Friday 3rd May 1:45pm Y3 Reconciliation

Monday 6th May – school closed for bank holiday

Monday 13th May - Y6 SATs week

Reflection and Prayer This Sunday is the Fourth Sunday of Easter.

Jesus tells us that he is the good shepherd. 'The good shepherd is one who lays his life down for his sheep.'

Jesus is the 'good shepherd' and we are his flock. He told this story to make us understand that he cares for us as much as the shepherd cares for his sheep. He watched over us at all times and knows each of us by name. He goes before us to guide us and keep us from harm.

Yours sincerely, Mrs N. Hill Headteacher



