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Dear Parents,

We hope that you all had a lovely half term break. This week, we have been thinking about the names Jesus used when praying: 'Holy Father', 'Righteous Father' and the meaning behind these. Jesus wants us to feel the same closeness with God through prayer as he does, particularly in those times of need.

Weekly News

A huge well done, to Y4. They have completed their multiplication checks this week and we have seen excellent progress, determination and hard work with these very important mathematical facts throughout the year! They have enjoyed earning their Rock Star, Rock Legend and Rock Hero badges along the way! The check was taken online. We haven't received any result yet, but will make sure that they are shared with you before the end of the academic year.

Our Y1 class will take their phonics screening check next week which they are fully prepared for. We are sure that they will wow us with their reading skills.

Well done to Y3 who thoroughly enjoyed a visit to Cadbury's World yesterday. They will be putting all of their learning and experience into practice in their 'Chocolate' Wider Learning Project. More importantly, where is all of the chocolate you brought back with you?

Y2 have also had a great week. They were supported by Y4 on Tuesday joining with our Parish for Mass. They were beautifully behaved and reverent. We are sure that they will be just as good today on their visit to the Botanical Gardens. We can't wait to hear about it on Monday.

Our thoughts are with Y6 as they prepare for their residential next week. We know that they will embrace the exciting experiences and do us proud with their maturity. We hope everyone manages to get some sleep!

Have a wonderful weekend. Kindest regards, Mrs Hill

Virtues

Our two focus virtues this half term are **Faith-Filled** and **Hopeful**. God invites us to have faith in him and in his son, Jesus Christ. This faith grows if we work at a relationship with God in prayer, trying to live out the gospel values and being part of a community of faith. Faith cannot be taken for granted; it has to be revisited and built upon.



Attendance

We know that you are aware of the importance of excellent attendance in school as part of the children's learning journey - enabling them to achieve their potential, support their wellbeing as well as the fact that future good habits are formed now during primary school. We work hard behind the scenes, and can offer support for parents if you have any concerns around attendance.



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Notices

- Next week, we will be on week 2 of our lunch menu. In other menu news, grab bags are back! Children in KS2 are invited to join in with grab bag lunches. Each Monday for Y6, Tuesday for Y5, Wednesday for Y4 and Thursday for Y3, children can choose a picnic style lunch (a warm sausage/bacon/veggie baguette, a cake/biscuit and piece of fruit), which they can then eat outside. It is fun and always well received. These lunches need to be preordered at least 24 hours in advance. Please pay for a school lunch as normal, via the gateway.
- We are having some issues in school regarding children who have accessed inappropriate content on Youtube at home. Guidance is that Youtube use should be supervised until children are 13. It does contain some unsafe material. A much safer option, is You Tube Kids. Please see the attachment from the National Online Safety group with a step by step guide of how Youtube Kids works.

PTA News:

- Our recent tuck shop made a profit of £91.40. The PTA will share plans for upcoming spends and exciting projects with you soon.
- Thank you so much for your ongoing support and generosity with donations for the summer fayre. Next week, the PTA are kindly asking for donations of bottles for the bottle tombola stall.
- Friday 13th June bottle donations please
- Friday 27th June non uniform day,
- Friday 27th June EYFS and KS1 sweet donations and KS2 boxed cakes please. The summer fayre is in school from 3:30pm

Events

Week beginning 9th June - Y1 Phonics check

9th-11th June Y6 Residential

Tuesday 10th June - Y5 at Mass with the Parish

Friday 13th June - bottle donations for the PTA please (this is not a non-uniform day) Plus, the Father's Day / Someone Special gift shop is in school

Monday 16th June Y4 at Mass celebrated by Bishop Timothy

Wednesday 18th June – New Nursery and Reception induction evening

Sunday 22nd June 9:30am Family Mass at Church

Monday 23rd June - start of Vocations Week (Children can dress up in clothes linked to a job they would like to do when they are older. Please do not feel the need to buy an outfit; they could bring a prop or make something.)

Tuesday 24 $^{\rm th}$ June 9:10am Y1 Class Showcase – parents welcome

YR parents – we would like to invite you to a transition meeting to share information about moving to Y1 on Wednesday 25th June at 9:10am

Friday 27th June Non-uniform day and PTA Summer Fayre

Thursday 3rd July 2pm - Musicians' concert (parents welcome)

Reflection and Prayer



This Sunday is the Feast of Pentecost

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that the Father will send the Holy Spirit in an advocate of Jesus' name. The Holy Spirit will teach and will remind us of all that Jesus has said.

Yours sincerely, Mrs N. Hill Headteacher

