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Weekly News

Dear Parents,

This week, we have been learning more about the Holy Spirit and the meaning of the Holy Trinity - the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. We are reminded of this each time we make the sign of the cross. We believe that Jesus' promise to the disciples, that the Holy Spirit would be with them and guide them, is still true for all of us today.

On Monday, I was fortunate enough to join Y4 for Mass at Lichfield Cathedral. Bishop Timothy celebrated Mass for fifteen local Catholic primary schools. This was such a beautiful occasion in which we came together to celebrate our shared mission in being 'Pilgrims of Hope' during our Year of the Jubilee. Well done to all of Y4, including our children who represented our school on the Altar and children who processed with our school banner.

Thank you to all parents of September's new Nursery and Reception classes who joined us for our induction evening on Wednesday. We are sure that you found it informative. We are really looking forward to welcoming both new and familiar faces in the autumn term.

On Wednesday next week, we have a meeting for parents of the current YR to find out about transition to Y1 - this is a really well managed, smooth process and we can see that the children are more than ready for the new experiences.

Our school grounds are looking beautiful, with an array of colourful plants and flowers thanks to all of your donations for our May Procession. Thank you to Mrs Joyce and our eco-warriors and gardening club for keeping everything tidy, litterfree, well-watered and cared for! We are now working towards our next level School Gardening Award!

We are looking forward to Vocations Week next week. Throughout the week, we will be considering how we can use our God given talents to be productive and what kinds of skills are needed for different vocational sectors. Children will undertake a class enterprise project, designing, making and advertising a product. We look forward to seeing their ideas come to fruition and will share these with you. Children are welcome to dress up on Monday linked to an occupation they are inspired by or would like to be.

Have a wonderful weekend. Kindest regards, Mrs Hill



Attendance Matters

Poor attendance affects children emotionally, socially and also academically. Children in school get to have fun, achieve, develop new skills, build confidence, self-esteem and experience new things. Attendance at primary school is also important in habit forming for the future – secondary school and in the world of vocations. Let's give our children the best possible start in life.



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Notices

- We are accumulating a lot of lost property and spending a lot of time trying to find uniform that is unnamed. Please ensure that all of your child's uniform is named particularly jumpers and cardigans.
- Next week, we will be on week 4 of our lunch menu. Grab bags for KS2 will also be available on their usual days. These lunches need to be pre-ordered at least 24 hours in advance. Please pay for a school lunch as normal, via the gateway.
- June marks Child Safety Week. Please see this link for some useful and helpful resources from the Child Accident Prevention Trust.

https://capt.org.uk/child-safety-week/

PTA News:

- Thank you so much for your ongoing support and generosity with donations for the PTA summer fayre. It is getting closer - please put Friday 27th June at 3:30pm in your diaries.
- Friday 27th June this will be non-uniform day
- Friday 27th June The PTA are kindly asking for donations of sweets from EYFS and KS1 and donations of boxed cakes from KS2. Thank you in advance.

Reflection and Prayer This Sunday is the Feast of Corpus Christi

When we come to Mass, we come as one large family to celebrate something which happened for all of us: the resurrection of Jesus. We share a meal together, just as Jesus did at the Last Supper. Jesus said, "I am the bread of life." When we share in the Eucharistic meal, we share life with the son



Events

Sunday 22nd June 9:30am Family Mass at Church (please see separate letter)

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.) Please see the separate letter explaining more about how Vocations Week will run this year.

Monday 23rd June - Y3 swimming (see separate letter)

Tuesday 24th June 9:10am Y1 Class Showcase – parents welcome

Tuesday 24th June - Y3 at Mass with the Parish

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

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

Monday 30th June - YR educational visit

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

Wednesday 9th July 1:45pm and Thursday 10th July 6:30pm Y6 Production (tickets to follow)

Wednesday 9th July – current nursery class closed

Thursday 10th July Y4 Animation workshop in school

Friday 18th July 9:10am Y6 Leavers' Mass in school

Friday 18th July 1:30pm End of term

Yours sincerely, Mrs N. Hill Headteacher