



St. Teresa's Catholic Primary School Newsletter Friday 17th May 2019

Little Flowers Growing and Giving Glory to God

Football Results

On Tuesday afternoon, the Year 3 and Year 4 Boys' 6-a-side football team played in the Aston Schools' tournament. The team played four matches; winning 4-1 and 2-0 and losing 4-0 and 5-0. The team finished second in their group. The boys; Aden, Carlisle, Ikjap, Jake, Kemai, Sebastian, Tomasz and Sukhjjevan were a credit to the school. Thank you to Miss Gibbon for taking the children to this event and to the parents who supported the team.

Wednesday Word

The Wednesday Word sheet was given to the Junior children earlier this week. Please do make time to consider the theme of 'Love' from this weekend's gospel. We will be sharing this gospel reading at Monday morning's assembly.



Key Stage 2 SATs



This week, from Monday to Thursday, Year 6 children have been taking the Key Stage 2 SATs tests. The children, and the staff working with them, have coped admirably with a stressful and challenging week. The test papers have been sent off for marking and the results will be returned to school shortly before the children leave us in July. Thank you to the staff and to the parents/carers who have worked in support of these children. Today, in recognition of Year 6 completing their SATs tests, they have had a non-uniform day and it has been somewhat of a day of celebration.

Yesterday, and for three mornings next week, the children in Year 2 will undertake their Key Stage 1 SATs. Please keep these children, their parents and the staff working with them in your prayers.

Top Table

Children are chosen from a year group each week to eat at the Top Table for a range of positive behaviours or work. The children selected to eat at the Top Table this week are all of Year 6 in recognition of their efforts with their tests this week. These children joined Miss Walk and Miss Foster for lunch today.

Attendance and Punctuality

Well done Year 5 who were the best attending class last week with a perfect 100% attendance. Congratulations to the most punctual class last week, which was also Year 5, with no children late during the week. A perfect week of attendance and punctuality. I cannot recall a class doing that before. Very impressive Year 5!



The Catholic Pupil Profile Virtues

This half term the two Virtues that are to be a focus for us and the other Catholic schools in the archdiocese of Birmingham are to be 'curious' and 'active'.

Curious: exploring God's creation and asking questions to find out more.

Everything around us was created by God. Being curious about these things - from tiny insects to enormous planets, from the languages of the Earth to the patterns made by numbers - brings us closer to God.

Active: working to make things better where we can.

As we use our curiosity to explore, we find things that could be better: a friend is unhappy; a neighbour is lonely; there is litter in the playground. Some of these problems we can fix. By being active we take responsibility for these tasks and look after God's creation.



School Closure

The European Elections have been confirmed for Thursday 23rd May. St. Teresa's School will be closed as the school is being used as a polling station.

Caritas Christi In Urbe Athletics

On Monday 10th June, the children of the Junior classes, Years 3 to 6, will participate in an Athletics event for our local Catholic primary schools that are part of the Caritas Christi In Urbe family of schools. This event will take place at the Alexander Stadium. The children will leave school and be taken to the stadium by bus. Parents/carers of the Junior children should have received a letter earlier this week with further information including the menu choices for a school packed lunch. Please contact the school if you have not received the letter and the menu choices.

Talent Show

This year's Talent Show will be on Wednesday, 12th June. A donation of £1.00 per child is asked for. Parents may also join us for the Talent Show, again for £1.00. This donation will be payable on the day.

School Uniform - Yellow Summer Dresses

It has been brought to our attention that some parents are finding it difficult to locate yellow gingham dresses for their child to wear as part of the Summer uniform. Whilst this item has limited availability in stores locally, they can be purchased online from retailers such as Asda, Sainsbury's, Marks and Spencer, Matalan and Next. I hope that sharing this information will be of use to you.

First Holy Communion

Please keep in your prayers the fifteen children from Year 3 who will be making their First Holy Communion at 12.00 noon on Saturday at St. Teresa's Church. This is a very important time in the lives of Lacey, Gianna, Sam, Ethan, Gabriel, Sebastian, Joshua, Oskar, Deshon, Ezele, Shanice, James, Imani, Sofia, Tarli-Monae and their families. Thank you to everyone who has been a part of preparing the children for this sacrament. The 'breakfast' for the communicants after the First Holy Communion mass will be at school.

Dates for the Diary

- Monday 20th to Wednesday 22nd May - Key Stage 1 SATs tests for Year 2 children.
- Monday 20th May - Year 5 visit to Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery.
- Tuesday 21st May at 9.00 a.m. - Year 1 Class Assembly
- Tuesday 21st May - Reception Class visit to Umberslade Park Farm
- Tuesday 21st May - Year 6 to St. Chad's Cathedral for the Good Shepherd Mass.
- Thursday 23rd May - The school will be closed to children as it will be a polling station for the European Elections.
- Friday 24th May at 3.20 p.m. - End of the first half of the Summer Term.
- Monday 10th June - Start of the second half of the Summer Term.
- Monday 10th June - All Junior children at Alexander Stadium for Caritas Christi In Urbe Athletics event.
- Monday 10th to Thursday 13th June - Phonics Screening Check for Year 1 children.
- Wednesday 12th June at 2.00 p.m. - Talent Show.
- Thursday 13th June - Year 2 visit to Hatton Farm.
- Monday 17th June - Year 1 visit to the Butterfly Farm, Stratford-upon-Avon.
- Monday 17th June - throughout the morning - Reception class children for September 2018 and their parents/carers in school.
- Wednesday 19th June - Year group photographs.
- Thursday 27th June - Year 4 visit to Cadbury World.
- Friday 28th June at 9.00 a.m. - Reception Class Assembly.
- Tuesday 2nd July at 1.15 p.m. - Junior Sports Day.
- Wednesday 3rd July - Year 3 visit to the Botanical Gardens.
- Wednesday 3rd July at 1.30 p.m. - Infant Sports Day.
- Friday 12th July - School closed for Caritas Christi In Urbe schools' staff training day.
- Friday 19th July at 3.20 p.m. - End of the academic year.

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