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NEWSLETTER

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School and Nursery will
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Summer Fete

Saturday 2nd July

1pm—3pm

Please help—we are currently collecting boxes of chocolates, sweets, pop and biscuits. We are still accepting any other donations of bottles of wines and spirits and gifts for the tombola. Any parents who are happy to help please see Ms Reilly

What a beautiful week of weather and what an exciting week back at school—we've certainly started as we mean to go on. This week Reception went on a bus to Ward End Library, Year 6 and Year 4 both held inspire workshops, Year 4 visited a Synagogue in town, Year 5 went to London and Year 3 celebrated their First Holy Communion with a school Mass—wow!

Well done to all the above classes and thank you to all the parents who supported the inspire workshops, the children have had a wonderful week and have set the tone for the remainder of this school year. A special mention to Year 3 who presented Mass so beautifully this morning—we are all so proud of the way they have conducted themselves throughout their preparation and the Masses. It helps that Mr Gallagher does enjoy preparing the children; particularly choosing and learning new hymns.

Next week we have 'Living Eggs' arriving in reception that should hatch out throughout the next couple of weeks, we have children taking part in the Catholic Sports Athletics, a theatre company are coming in to perform a play for Nursery and Reception, Year 3 have an Inspire and Year 4 are off on another trip. We are also holding a meeting for all the parents of children starting in Nursery in September. Just a normal, quiet week!

Houses of Parliament

For the first time in 15 years a class from St Cuthbert's visited London and went around the Houses of Parliament. We had a nail biting start to the day when the coach had problems before we left and a new one had to be called for. However, despite this set back, the children got to London, met Liam Byrne MP and had a tour of the Houses of Parliament; they had lunch by the Thames and saw Westminster Abbey, Downing Street and the Cenotaph—not bad for a day trip.

I have been asked to compliment the behaviour of all the Year 5 children who represented our school so well; their behaviour, conduct and engagement were all complimented. Well done Year 5. I also want to thank Mr Wilson, who organised the trip, and Mrs Harries, Mrs Knight and Ms Gardiner who accompanied the children and had a very long day. We are planning to do it again next year because it was so good.

Year 2

As you are aware the children in Year 2 completed their SATS tests in May; these tests are marked in school and then we make a final decision based on Teacher Assessment. 25% of schools are then moderated by the Local Authority to validate results. We are being moderated next week! The Year 2 children have been fantastic all week as Mr Kelly, Mrs Hodson and I have been working with Miss Johnson to prepare for moderation. I have really enjoyed listening to children in Year 2 read and Mr Kelly knows all about maths in Year 2 now.

Well done to all the children in Year 2 who have worked so hard and well done to Miss Johnson and Mrs Parkes who have supported them so well and have put up with Mr Kelly, Mrs Hodson and I all week!

Father Paul

As many of you will know Father Paul was taken ill whilst on the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes over half term. He has been in hospital for the last week or so but he is now on the mend. He hopes to be back at Corpus Christi Church very soon and then hopefully he will feel well enough to either receive visitors or pop in to see us all. We are keeping him in our prayers.

ATTENDANCE

Overall School

Attendance

96.03%

Weekly School

Attendance

23.05.16-27.05.16

97.92%

Winning Class

Reception—100%

Brilliant Reception—well done.

Congratulations to Kelsey in Year 2 who won the attendance award this week.

Playground Equipment

I have noticed this week more and more children sneaking onto the KS1 play equipment in the morning; we do ask that the children don't go onto the equipment in the morning—there are various reasons for this but overall safety is the main concern. I will remind all the children again this afternoon and would appreciate your support in this matter.

Building Services Manager

With Mr Laidlaw's retirement in July the Governors are seeking to develop the role and employ a Building Services Manager. The Advert, job description and application form are on the website; if you are interested or you know of anyone who might be interested please look on the website or contact the school office for an application pack.—applications to be in by Wednesday 15th June

Year 5 Holy Communion Certificates

I have a question for Year 5—did you receive your First Holy Communion Certificates when you were in Year 3? If you did—great; if you didn't could you please let me know and I will arrange to have some completed for you.

Key Dates

A smile costs nothing, but gives a lot.

It enriches those who receive it without making poorer those who give it.

A smile takes only a moment, but the memory of it can last forever.

No one is so rich, or so mighty, that they can get a long without a smile.

And no one is so poor that they cannot be made richer by a smile.

A smile brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged and sunshine to the Sad.

Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen for it is of no value to anyone until it is given away.

Some people are too tired to give a smile so give them one of yours as no one needs a smile so much as he who has no more of his own to give

Polling Day—Thursday 23rd June—School Closed

Monday 13th June—Catholic Athletics Competition 2:00pm onwards

Tuesday 14th June—Nursery meeting for New Parents 10:30am

Tuesday 14th June—Swimming Year 1 and 6

Wednesday 15th June—Theatre Company in school for Nursery and Reception

Thursday 16th June—Year 3 Inspire

Thursday 16th June—Year 4 Trip to Kingsbury

Friday 17th June—Year 5 Mass

Monday 20th June—Year 4 Assembly

Tuesday 21st June—Year 1 Trip to Kingsbury

Wednesday 22nd Assembly—Reception Assembly 9:10am

Sports Days—weather permitting!

Tuesday 12th July Nursery am—10:30am

Tuesday 12th July KS2—1:30pm

Thursday 14th July KS1—1:30pm

Friday 15th July—Nursery pm—1:30pm

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Hobbs and all the staff