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**Our Catholic Mission**

A huge well done to Year 3 who made their First Holy Communion last Sunday. I have had so much positive feedback about the Mass itself and how reverent the children were, from Father Michael and countless parents and members of staff. Well done Year 3, we are all very proud of you!

Thank you to the Year 3 parents who donated money towards the church flowers for the children's Holy Communion - they were beautiful and really brightened up the hall for the Mass of thanksgiving. Thank you also to those parents who helped with the celebrations on Monday.

**Confirmation**

In preparation for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation at the end of June, there will be a Service of Light for Year 6 children during the Family Mass at 11.00 am at SS Peter and Paul’s on Sunday 22nd May. This is an invitation to children of all year groups and their families.

**Parish Mass/Children’s Liturgy**

The parish newsletter or website www.romancatholiclichfield.co.uk contains information about Masses and other church notices.

Mass Times: 6.00pm Saturday @ SS Peter & Paul (with Children’s Liturgy)

8.30am Sunday @ Holy Cross (with Children’s Liturgy)

11.00am Sunday @ SS Peter & Paul (with Children’s Liturgy)

**Star Workers**

Well done to our Star Workers this week:

Reception: Neve and Noah W

Y1: Thea and Adin

Y2: Alice and James

Y3: Sammy and Luke

Y4: Abigail and Nathan

Y5: Isaac M and Tom

Y6: Fin and Harry

Head Teacher’s Award: Oscar W and Lauren

**Attendance**

Congratulations to Y3 and Y4, the classes with the highest attendance this week with 100% – well done to both classes.

**Family Lunch Wednesday T-Z 25 May 2016 – ORDERS TO BE IN BY 12 NOON ON MONDAY 23 MAY**

Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on Wednesday 25 May 2016 at 11.45am. Please pay £2.76 for your lunch on parent pay by Tuesday 17 May using your child’s school dinner account. Menu choices available are: Roast Turkey and Stuffing, Cauliflower and Broccoli Bake, jacket potato, cheese, ham or tuna sandwich. Please speak to, or email, Mrs Burke by 12 noon on Monday 23 May of your menu choice.

**Bikeability – 29 and 30 June 2016**

We are very fortunate to get funding from the Department of Transport for Bikeability cycling courses delivered by qualified instructors to Y5 and Y6. Letters have been sent out via email and children have taken home the consent forms. Y5 – Level 1 will take place after school with half the class on Wednesday at 3.30pm and half on Thursday at 3.30pm. Y6 – Level 2 is a multiple day course split over the Wednesday and Thursday during the day. Please could you make sure consent forms are returned by Monday 13 June?

**Y5 – Lichfield Festival Dhal in a Day – Thursday 7 July 2016**

Tickets for the performance are now on sale and available on the Garrick website <http://www.lichfieldgarrick.com/7C-Dahl-In-A--Day/> at a cost of £5.00. Please could you let Mrs Thomas know if your child in Y5 is unable to make the performance in the evening?

**St Joseph’s Ball**

The pupils in year 5 will be raffling a beautiful toy dog in order to support Medical Detection Dogs, this year’s chosen charity for the School Ball. Tickets are 50p and will available at break time from the year 5s. Thank you for your support.

**Non uniform day**Despite such short notice for children to bring toiletries in today to help support the refugees in the parish, we have been completely overwhelmed by your unfailing generosity; thank you so much. Thank you also to the Y6 children who sorted the toiletries into boxes, they did an excellent job.

***SuperStars***

*On Tuesday 28th June the children are taking part in a sponsored event to raise money for the Building Fund. The children in each class will be using all the PE equipment in the hall, which will be divided into 6 stations to form a circuit. Children will move from station to station until all 6 areas have been worked on. They can be guaranteed a funfilled and exciting time! Sponsor forms have been distributed, could you please make sure these are returned to the office by Monday 27 June to be stamped. We look forward to receiving your support. Many thanks!*

**Netball**

Huge congrats to our year 5 and year 6 netball team who played Christchurch on Monday.  Our year 6 team drew 3-3 and our year 5 team won 10-1.  Their skills have improved so much since they started learning in November and this result was achieved through their fantastic team-work and the support they gave each other during the match.  It was great to see such competitive spirit - we have two teams to be very proud of.  Well done year 5 and 6!  Their next match will be against St Michael’s on 13th June and if we can fit it in before the end of the year Christchurch have invited us over for a re-match.

**Hair**

Please ensure that hairstyles are appropriate for school ie, not too short for boys, long hair tied back for girls – thank you.

**E-safety**

Remember to speak to your children about e-safety – the Think U Know website <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

gives you the latest information on the sites you like to visit and is aimed at all ages. All the information is supplied by the team at the [NCA's CEOP Command](http://www.ceop.police.uk/).

**Year 4 Workshop**

Year 4 enjoyed a fantastic visiting workshop this week. It was all about Anglo Saxons and they learnt a lot, as well as having a lot of fun!

**And Finally…**

A big thank you to Year 1 for their lovely assembly about Pentecost this morning. We were very proud of them.

May God be with you.

As Year 3 have made their First Holy Communion, our prayers turn to Year 6 Confirmandi who are working hard in preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

***Come Holy Spirit***



Mrs D McLeary

He is Lord.

He is risen from the dead and He is Lord.

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess:

Jesus Christ is Lord

Headteacher

**Looking Ahead…**

**School Dates –**

**Changes in red**

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| Sunday 22nd May | 11.00 am Service of Light – SS P&P |
| Monday 23rd May | 9.10 am Mission Assembly  Y2/4 class Mass @ Holy Cross  Tennis Taster Day |
| Wednesday 25th May | 9.10am House assemblies  Family Lunch T-Z |
| Friday 27th May | Pre-school Celebration assembly  Break up for half term |
| Monday 6th June | Y6 residential week – Laches Wood  No assembly  11am Y5 farm animals talk |
| Tuesday 7th June | Return homework |
| Thursday 9th June | Y5 Healthy eating workshop – Tesco – Parents invited to walk |
| Friday 10th June | Y5 Dahl in a day workshop in hall  No celebration assembly  Set homework |
| Monday 13th June | Phonics screening week  9.10 am Mission Assembly  Y5/rec Class Mass @Holy Cross |
| Wednesday 15th June | 2.00pm Music Assembly |
| Friday 17th June | Y3 Celebration assembly  Big Bash Y5/6 5pm – 8pm |
| Monday 20th June | 9.10am Mission Assembly |
| Tuesday 21st June | Return homework  Y6 Transition day – King Edwards and The Friary |
| Wednesday 22nd June | Y1 @ Twycross Zoo  RSPB workshops Ys 3,4 and 5  Y6 Transition day – King Edwards and The Friary |
| Thursday 23rd June | Ys 3,4 and 5 – Trip to London  9.30 am Bishop McGough to see Y6 |
| Friday 24th June | Sports Day and family picnic  KS1 am - KS2 pm  Set homework |
| Sunday 26th June | Confirmation -1.00pm – SS P&P |
| Monday 27th June | INSET Day |
| Wednesday 29th June | Y2 @ Sea Life Centre  Confirmation Mass of thanksgiving 2.30pm – Feast of SS Peter and Paul  AM Y5 @Beacon Park  Bikeability |
| Thursday 30th June | Y5 out – St Francis D&T day  Bikeability |
| Friday 1st July | St Joseph’s transition morning |
| Monday 4th July | Topic week  9.10am Mission assembly  Y3/1 class Mass @ Holy Cross |
| Tuesday 5th July | Homework returned |
| Wednesday 6th July | Reception @ Cannock Chase TBC  Reception new parent’s meeting 6pm  Y4 – finish swimming for term |
| Thursday 7th July | Y5 at Garrick theatre – Dahl project  6pm – performance at Garrick |
| Friday 8th July | Reception Celebration assembly  Y5 @ St Francis of Assisi – Languages Day  Set homework  Summer Fayre |
| Monday 11th July | 9.10 am Mission assembly |
| Tuesday 12th July | Reception new parents picnic 2.30-3.30pm |
| Wednesday 13th July | 6pm – open evening  7pm Y5/6 performance |
| Monday 18th July | 9.10am Mission assembly |
| Tuesday 19th July | Return homework |
| Wednesday 20th July | Leaver’s Mass 2.30pm |
| Thursday 21st July | Leaver’s celebration pm |
| Friday 22nd July | Leaver’s assembly 9.15am  Break up 2.30pm |