

Friday 21st April 2023 – SUMMER 1 NEWSLETTER

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Safeguarding Statement: This school takes notice of and adheres to all the national and local policies and guidance in regard to Safeguarding Children and Young People.

Lead Safeguarding Person Junior School: Mrs M Kenny, Nursery & Infant School: Mrs. M Quinn.

Safeguarding Deputies: Mrs. S Hulme, Mrs F Black & Mr S Pratsis & Mrs E Heath, Safeguarding Governor: Mr. T Richmond

A message from Mrs Hulme



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to our final term of the school year and hoping that you all had an enjoyable break over Easter. The blossom is in full flower reminding us to spend more time outdoors in appreciation of the seasons that God created.

This term usually runs at a fast pace due to much activity and this year is no exception, especially having many short weeks and having the coronation to celebrate too. We look forward to seeing you in school at one of the events.

You will also be receiving a letter today regarding the industrial action when some classes will be closed starting with this next week on Thursday 27th April.

Also, to keep you informed, the School Business Manager position remains vacant which does impact on general office time. We ask that you are patient when making enquiries - thank you.

Spirituality News



A reminder to return the collection boxes for the Catholic Children's Society Lent Appeal.

The season of Easter continues. Through our liturgies and lessons, the children were reminded of the promise of the resurrection. In every Eucharist, we re-enact that Easter Sunday at Emmaus. Jesus reveals Himself to us in our journey. He speaks to our hearts in the Scriptures. The disciples begged Him, "Stay with us." So He does. Though He has vanished from our sight, in the Eucharist—as at Emmaus—we know Him in the breaking of the bread. We continue to learn about Catholic Social Teaching and our focus this month is Participation.

Table Talks - Would life be better if money didn't exist?



Football news

On Wednesday afternoon, our football B team went to Green Wrythe Primary School to play a match. It was a tight game from the beginning, with Green Wrythe scoring early on. The team played so well together, showing some great skill and teamwork. Unfortunately, the game finished 4-5, but it was a brilliant match and the boys represented the school brilliantly. A big thank you to all the families who came along to support.



Mini marathon

We are absolutely delighted that 100 members of our school community will be taking part in the mini marathon on Saturday morning. We want to wish everyone the best of luck for the event and we cannot wait to see everyone proudly wearing their medals at school on Monday!

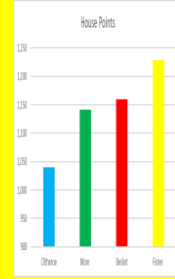
News for the week

Infant - Stars of the Week

R Hedgehog	Nela
R Fox	Methaya
R Squirrel	Shomei
1 Robin	Amelia
1 Sparrow	Jaden
1 Wren	Nancy
2 Heron	Matilda
2 Jay	Annie
2 Woodpecker	Harry

Junior - House Points

4th place is Clitheroe
3rd place is More
2nd place is Becket
1st place is Fisher



Juniors - Star Writer

3 Willow	Kaelin
3 Mulberry	Poppy
3 Hawthorn	Alicia
4 Poplar	Maesan
4 Ash	Zachary
4 Rowan	Harry
5 Elm	Alicia
5 Sycamore	Rocco M
5 Birch	Ruairi
6 Copper Beech	Jeremiah
6 Oak	Jada
6 Chestnut	Ellie



As a school, we aim for 97.4% attendance, which would bring us in line with expectations. Unfortunately, many children had not achieved this percentage last term. We really need the help of our parents to raise our attendance this term by ensuring children are attending school each day.

Registration Group	Attendance %	Punctuality (lates) %
Froglet AM Nursery	95.4	0.25
Froglet PM Nursery	81.7	0.28
R Fox	94.1	0.51
R Hedgehog	93.6	0.21
R Squirrel	96.2	0.97
1 Robin	93.7	0.63
1 Sparrow	94.3	0.24
1 Wren	93.1	0.43
2 Jay	96.2	0.30
2 Woodpecker	95.9	0.63
2 Heron	93.5	0.17
3 Mulberry	96.7	0.20
3 Willow	96.0	0.11
3 Hawthorn	96.9	0.20
4 Poplar	96.8	0.54
4 Ash	94.5	0.30
4 Rowan	95.3	1.61
5 Elm	97.1	0.26
5 Birch	95.3	0.40
5 Sycamore	96.2	0.10
6 Chestnut	96.3	0.38
6 Oak	96.1	0.94
6 Copper Beech	96.5	0.10

London Marathon 2023

We would like to wish Mrs Kenny (Junior School Deputy Headteacher) and Miss Miller (Junior School TA) the best of luck for the London Marathon 2023 on Sunday and to all of the mini marathon runners on Saturday. See if you are able to spot them when watching it on the television.



St. Mary's PTA - News

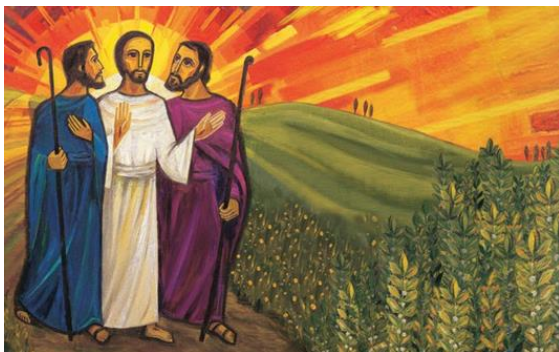
Due to the recent announcement of the strike day on Thursday 27th April 2023, we have had to reschedule the PTA AGM to Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at 7pm in the Infant School.

Safeguarding News

Digital Literacy Report - UK Safer Internet Centre

Digital literacy is become more and more important in our daily lives. Now it is essential that children and young people, are able to have an effective education in the use of computers. In many cases, they will learn the basics at home, but educational institutions have an important part to play in enhancing that pathway. When your pupils leave mandatory education, the jobs they'll aim for will require digital literacy. Likely at a higher level than ever before. Educating them in digital literacy will also keep them safer online. The UK Safer Internet Centre has reviewed a recently published Ofcom report into the matter. To find out what the UK Safer Internet Centre has to say about the document, and to read the document itself, follow the link below:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/ofcom-report-digital-literacy>



Wednesday Word

Please click on the link below to access the weekly Wednesday Word - <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/half-term-holiday-special?pid=MTA101634&v=89.2>