

"Our Mission - At St. John's we grow and learn in the footsteps of Jesus"



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Friday 5th July 2024

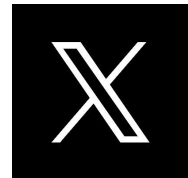


Dear Parents and Friends

X (Formerly Tweet) of the Week from Pope Francis (@Pontifex)

Prayer is the driving force of our life. It can seem like an abstract reality, far from our problems. Yet, prayer is essential, because we cannot go very far on our own. We are not all-powerful, and we fail miserably when we think we are.

#YearOfPrayer



Sports Day

Unfortunately due to the wet weather predicated today, we had to postpone Sports Day.

It will now take place on Thursday 18th July. Aspens Select will once again provide packed lunches instead of hot meals.

Timings will stay the same as before.

Wednesday Word

Please find below the link to this week's copy of the **Wednesday Word** which can be copied and pasted into your browser.

We hope you enjoy sharing the Bible Scripture together with your child.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/welcome?pid=MTA101634&p=2&v=144.2>

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 6th July—The Friends of St. John's Summer Fayre

Sunday 7th July—Children's Mass at 10.30am in St. John's Church

Tuesday 9th July—Class 6/other pupils Violin Concert at 2.30pm

Friday 12th July—Whole School Pilgrimage to Bradford-on-Avon

Tuesday 16th July—Year 6 Trip to Paulton's Park

Friday 19th July—End of Academic Year Mass to celebrate the Year 6 pupils' time at St. John's School in St. John's Church at 9.15am

Tuesday 23rd July—Mrs Sessions Leavers Mass in St. John's Church at 9.15am



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Birthdays This Week

We would like to wish all children who have had birthdays this week or will celebrate over the weekend a very **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**. Pupils will receive their pencils in Celebration Assembly today.

Pupils

Sophia C
Brianna B
Theo O'N-C
Beatrice E
Kittie E
Mila-Elizabeth B



Prayer Garden

Idverde have been working hard this week and we are thrilled that our new prayer garden is nearly completed. They will be back in September to lay turf around the bench seating and we are looking forward to starting to plant out the raised beds. When it is completely finished, we will have an opening ceremony and welcome families who have kindly contributed to the garden to visit it. Mrs Sessions visited the garden yesterday and was delighted at what a calm and reflective space we have created for staff and pupils. If you have not already done so and would like to make a contribution, you can do so by visiting Parentmail or by dropping in cash in a named envelope to the school office.





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Year 5 Faith Camp

Last Friday, Year 5 came together as a year group to work together and develop their faith. The day was themed around 2024 being the 'Year of Prayer' and each activity focused on a different way we can pray, for example through art, music, mindfulness, meditation and being outside. Year 5 were also lucky enough to be part of a Mass led by Fr Richard in the afternoon. It was a very successful day for all involved. The Year 5s approached each activity with openness and positivity.

Katy from Beautiful Gong came into school last Friday as part of Faith day and delivered 4 Gong Bath workshops to the Year 5's.

The Gong can aid deep relaxation and it certainly did for those who attended. Some comments from the children:

"It was speaking to me, like a different language"

"I feel like I'm in my bed, I feel so sleepy"

"It's amazing"

"Can we have this everyday?"

"I feel so relaxed"



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Outdoor Cinema Experience on Sunday 28th July 2024

Get ready to be captivated by three of the most beloved family classics: Frozen, Jurassic Park, and The Greatest Showman.

Let the magic of these iconic films transport you to extraordinary worlds filled with unforgettable characters.

Embark on a heart warming journey with Elsa, Anna, and Olaf as they discover the true meaning of love and sisterhood. Brace yourself for an adventure of prehistoric proportions in Jurassic Park, where you'll encounter the awe-inspiring dinosaurs that once roamed the Earth. And in The Greatest Showman, be inspired by the incredible story of P.T. Barnum and his extraordinary circus, featuring unforgettable performances and a sensational soundtrack.

Please purchase your tickets from <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/foodfestival/1183241>

Here are the exciting details of the event:

- Date: Sunday, 28th July
- Venue: Trowbridge
- Movies: Frozen, Jurassic Park, and The Greatest Showman
- Food: Mouth watering burgers, hot dogs, popcorn, and a small bar will be available
- Seating: Bring your own chair or blanket for maximum comfort

House points

St. Rose	- 252
St. Dominic	- 170
St. Anthony	- 154
St. Therese	- 145



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Stars of the Week



The theme from our mission statement for this week is
Politeness and Manners

Class 1:	Max L-B	For always being polite and remembering his manners, particularly in the dinner hall, where other members of staff have noticed this.
Class 2:	Alex G	For always addressing those he comes into contact with lovely manners and politeness as well as a smile!
Class 3:	Dyona C	For always being so polite to others, a role model for us all.
Class 4:	Zuzanna S	For being unwaveringly polite 100% of the time.
Class 5:	Joanna DC	For being polite, kind and thoughtful to everyone around her.
Class 6:	Emilia K	For being extremely polite and having wonderful manners all year as voted by her peers!
Class 7:	Maya S	For great learning behaviour all week! Keep it up.
	Mari G	For always showing respect to others through what she says and does.
Class 8:	Nataniel J	For accepting mistakes and errors with excellent grace and manners. You build up from there so well!
Class 9:	Caden S	For being ready to help others and striving for independence.
	Maisie H	For her exceptional manners 100% of the time. She shows incredible care to herself, peer and adults.
	Julia S	For always having lovely manners from the start to the end of the day!
Class 10:	Alaska H	For having a kind and polite manners towards children and adults around the school.
	Weronika K	For entering school every single day with a beaming smile and greeting Mr Gerrish with a wonderful, joyful "Good Morning".
	Iga K	For being such a positive spirit—her energy and politeness never fail to brighten up Mr Gerrish's day.