

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



St. John's Newsletter

Friday 24th May 2024



Dear Parents and Friends

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

On the feast of Pentecost, we pray that the Holy Spirit, the Love of the Father and the Son, may create harmony in our hearts, families, and societies, and fill the whole world with harmony.



End of Term Holidays

The end of term holidays are from **Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024.**

School will re-open to all staff and pupils on **Monday 3rd June 2024.**

Sharing Sunday's Gospel through The 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/holiday-card?pid=MTA101634&v=130.1>

Dates for your Diary

Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May—End of Term Holidays

Monday 3rd June—First Day of Term 6

Tuesday 4th June—Year 3 Trip to Science Show at The Clarendon Academy

Friday 7th June—EYFS Trip to Longleat

Friday 7th June—Class 6 Mass at 9.05am in class

Friday 14th June—Class 7 Mass at 9.05am in class

Tuesday 18th June—Class Photos

Friday 21st June—Class 8 Mass at 9.05am in class



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Whole School Pilgrimage

Our annual whole school Pilgrimage to St Thomas More Catholic Church in Bradford - on - Avon will take place on Friday 12th July. The Catholic Social Teaching theme for July 2024 will be '*Dignity of the Person*' and we are excited to learn how the children plan to make a positive difference in our world today.

In order for this event to be successful we rely heavily on parents, grandparents and volunteers to walk alongside us or travel with children on the coach. If you are able to join us for all or part of the day please contact.....who would be delighted to discuss this opportunity with you.

Replacement Underwear

If your child has suffered an accident in school and they have been given some clean underwear to wear, please can we ask that you wash and return them to school as soon as possible. Unfortunately our stock of spare pants has diminished. Thank you.

Term 6

As we approach the summer term, please can you ensure on hot sunny days your child comes into school wearing suntan lotion—please ensure it does not contain any nut products, a water bottle and a sun hat.

If your child suffers from hayfever, please can you medicate them before they arrive to school. If they require any medication during the school day, if you have not already done so, please bring it to the school office and complete a consent form.

On wet days please can your child bring in a lightweight coat. Pupils are outside at both break times and lunchtimes unless we have heavy rain.



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Prayer Garden

We are excited to say that the next stage of work on our Prayer Garden will begin over half term when the hedging to surround the garden is being planted. Idverde visited this morning to mark the area out before they begin work next week. Once the hedging is in place, two new raised beds are being created so that the children can plant inside them and seating is being erected around the slope in an amphitheatre style. The theme of the garden is Psalm 23 and it will provide a quiet reflective space for children to spend time during lessons, break and lunchtimes. Weather permitting, we hope it will be finished before the end of term 6 when Mrs Sessions retires.

We would like to give parents, carers and other family members the opportunity to contribute to the garden by sponsoring part of it for a £15.00 donation. The names of all families who support the garden will then be commemorated on a plaque within the garden. Payment can be made on a special payment item on Parentmail or other family members or members of the community who do not have access to parentmail, can make a cash donation in a sealed envelope with their contact details and brought to Mrs Poulter in the school office.





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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 Praise Assembly today.

Pupils

Tatiana D
Maisie H
Alexis M-B
Reggie C

Michelle I
Emilia C
Mia S



Leaders in Faith Award

Congratulations to the following pupils who have earned these awards:

Bronze Award: Emma S

Silver Award: Alan K



West Wiltshire Quad Kids

On Wednesday our Year 5/6 athletes competed in West Wiltshire Quad Kids at the University of Bath. The events were 75m sprint, long jump, throw and 600m race with a fun relay to finish. Despite the wind and rain our students remained high spirited throughout and gave it their best effort. We came fourth overall, missing out of third place by only five points! It was a fun day out and a close competition. Well done Team.





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Stars of the Week

The theme from our mission statement for this week is **Curious**

Class 1:	Lily T	For displaying more curiosity in her learning which is leading to greater independence and progress.
Class 2:	Sebastian O	For curiosity in your play for learning using lots of resources to create your own games.
Class 3:	Oliver T	For showing such curiosity during our train trip to Bradford on Avon.
	Daniel V	For showing such interest in how our bodies work and being curious to find out more.
Class 4:	Amelia M	For always being ready and eager to learn and asking great questions.
	Zofia M	For always asking questions that deepen her understanding.
Class 5:	Frankie R	For showing curiosity on the train trip, asking lots of great questions!
	Kimpreet D	For showing curiosity in her learning by wanting to do more at home!
Class 6:	Hunter J	For being curious in Science and asking deeper questions.
	Sera S	For making a huge effort to initiate conversations! Well done! Keep it up.
Class 7:	Teddy H	For his experiments in coding when learning about computing.
Class 8:	Darcey V	For showing every quality of our Mission every day—and being brave in a Greek play!
	Mylo G	For investing a lot of curiosity and creativity into his English.
Class 9:	Emma S	For showing incredible curiosity in her faith. Emma is well on her way to getting her bronze Leaders in Faith award.
	Brianna B	For a HUGE improvement in her learning behaviours. <u>So</u> many adults have noticed!
Class 10:	Jack B	For stepping up to his leadership role and being a good example of what a curious learner looks like.
	Jonatan A	For showing curiosity in his learning and striving to improve.
Class 11:	Tatiana D	For her eagerness to learn more by asking lots of questions and revealing her enquiring mind.