



St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

We will prepare the way by loving, living and learning with the Lord



26th May

Newsletter No. 32

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We hope you enjoy a safe and happy half term break and look forward to the final half term of the school year. As you can see below, we have lots of exciting events and activities planned during the month of June.

This half term's virtues are:

<i>Eloquent</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>Truthful</i>
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Dates for your diary - May		
Friday 27 th May	All day	INSET day – school closed for children
Dates for your diary - June		
Monday 6 th June	8.50am	Children return for 2 nd Summer half term
Wednesday 8 th June	All day	Year 6 Road Safety Project
Thursday 9 th June	All day	Year 5 Road Safety Project
Friday 10 th June	9.30am	Mass (start of half term) all welcome
Friday 10 th June	2.00pm	Queen's 90 th birthday street party
Thursday 16 th June	All day	Early Years trip to Ash End Farm
Thursday 16 th June	9.15am	Year 5 class assembly
Monday 20 th June	9.15am	Year 3 & 4 Inspire workshop (collective worship)
Wednesday 22 nd June	9.15am	Year 5 & 6 Inspire workshop (collective worship)
Friday 24 th June	9.30am	Mass (Feast of St John the Baptist) all welcome
Friday 24 th June	12.00pm	Whole school picnic – feast of John the Baptist
Saturday 25 th June	11.00am	First Holy Communion – all welcome
Monday 27 th June	All week	Well-being Week
Wednesday 29 th June	All day	DHL – Truck and Child Safety workshops
Thursday 30 th June	9.15am	Year 4 class assembly
Thursday 30 th June	All day	Year 1 trip to Cadbury World

RE Inspection

Our school was inspected by the Birmingham Diocese for its RE, Catholic Life and Collective Worship provision on Monday and Tuesday this week. The inspector was extremely impressed with our school, its atmosphere and ethos; its environment; the children's excellent, welcoming and reverent behaviour as well as the many lessons, assemblies and aspects of collective worship that she observed. As a staff team, we all felt extremely proud and were very pleased with the comments made. It will be a number of weeks before we receive our inspection letter and report and until we find out the judgments that have been made. I will share the final outcomes with you as soon as possible.

Early Year Morning Gate from Monday 6th June 2016

As part of our transition arrangements, we ask that parents and carers say goodbye to their children at the first gate, when bringing them to school in the mornings, for the last remaining half term of the school year. This is to help your child to develop in independence and prepare them for the next step in their education. Extra staff will be on hand to support and as ever, two members of staff will be on the gate to ensure that all children stay on the school site once you have left them in our care. Thank you for your support.

Plea for Sea Shells

Our topic in Early Years after half term is 'Pirates and Mermaids' and to enhance the learning environment, Mrs Patterson has asked if anyone could please donate any sea shells. If you are able to, please send them straight to our Early Years classroom. Thank you

Year Two 'Work of Mercy' Fundraising

Well done to Year 2 who, as part of the Year of Mercy, made healthy fruit kebabs as their charitable 'work of mercy.' They raised £25 which they have decided will be donated to Birmingham Dogs Home



Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to: Logan R, Cody P, Meena H, Ashton-James M, Annalyse G, Kieran H, Pierce P, Alex K, Ryan A.

Attendance

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 5 with 98.6%. Well done!

Ready to Learn Award

Congratulations, our most punctual class this week was Year 4

Have a lovely week

Yours sincerely

I. Gallagher

Mr I. Gallagher
Headteacher

Feast of St Matthew Phuong 26th May

*Martyr of Vietnam. A native, he became a catechist and an ardent Christian. **Matthew** was arrested by government officials for his faith. He was tortured and then beheaded in 1861. Pope **John Paul II** canonized him in 1988.*

