



"Go throughout the whole world and preach the Gospel to all people"
Mark 16:15



This half term's virtues are:

Friday 10.06.22

Attentive

and

Discerning

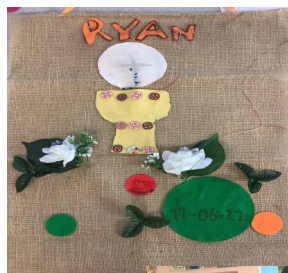


First Holy Communion

Today, some of our Year 3 children prepared to make their First Holy Communion tomorrow, this is such an important

celebration in each child's faith journey as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

After they attended Mass, the children and their families were treated to a special celebration tea organised by Mrs Turner. It was a wonderful opportunity for all to rejoice in this special time. Thank you to Mrs Turner who worked so hard organising the celebration tea, and thank you to the families who attended.



Prayer for Children making their First Holy Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time. May this day be the step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship.

Thank you for their innocence and goodness. May their hands, extended in anticipation of your body and blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament.

Amen.



Class Activities - EYFS

EYFS returned to find a very unusual suitcase in our classroom! We looked at all of the items and agreed it is from someone\something that lives under the sea! We recorded questions we would like to ask our mysterious visitor and also wrote our own letters to send back explaining what we like about living on land!

We also learned about Joseph and his colourful coat and retold this story in Godly play. Reception moved into their new 'family groups' to work as a group of four and get them ready for life in Year One!



Science Superstars

EYFS enjoyed learning all about water this week. We predicted if objects would float or sink.

The children had to predict but also explained their ideas based on weight and if an object contained a lot of air.

The children were very scientific in their explanations and enjoyed testing out their theories!



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Dates for your Diary

Saturday 11th June 2022

10.00am - Holy Communion at St John's Church

Friday 17th June 2022

9.30am - Mass led by Year 3 & Year 4 (all welcome)

Tuesday 21st June 2022

9.15am - Nursery Induction meeting

Wednesday 22nd June 2022

9.15am - Reception Induction meeting

Wednesday 29th June 2022

7.00pm - Confirmation at Mother of God & Guardian Angels Church

Online safety hero says...



Spending too much time in front of screen can be bad for you.

- *Set screen time limits.*
- *Set an example to your children by having screen free time.*
- *Get outside and enjoy the fresh air!*

#screentime



Sports Star of the Week

This week's Sports Star of the Week is Aurora D in Year 4 for good bowling skills in cricket.



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Mr G's Recommended Reads

My theme this week is the moon.

For our younger readers...

'Goodbye Beautiful Moon'



Ona is a very excited puffin! She can't wait until night-time because tonight the moon won't be an ordinary moon: it will be a supermoon, which means it will be bigger and more beautiful than ever before! But getting this excited can make a puffin sleepy. Will Oona be able to stay awake late enough to see it?

For our older readers...

'One Giant Leap' by Robert Burleigh



On July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong became the first person in history to set foot on the moon. As he did so, he uttered his famous declaration: "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." But how did he and Buzz Aldrin reach the moon? What was their journey like? In this beautifully illustrated book, readers join the crew of Apollo 11 as they race into space and reach incredible new heights.



Next Week's Class Mass

Our next class Mass will be on Friday 17th June. Everyone is welcome to join us. This Mass will be led by children in Year 4 and Year 3.



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Our Pope's Prayer Intentions

Families

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives



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Price Increase - School Meals September 2022

Solihull Council have notified us that from September 2022 there will be a price increase to the cost of a school meal. The reason for the increase is due to the rising cost of food. Please be advised, this will not impact children who are free school meal entitled or children in Reception to Year 2, as these children are entitled to free school meals under the government 'Universal Infant Free School Meals' scheme. Please see below for updated prices which will come into effect from 1st September 2022.

School meal prices - effective from 1st September 2022	
Nursery Meal	£2.15
Primary	£2.30



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STARS OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations to

Ryan B

in Reception,

Whole of Year 1,

and

Daisy H in

Year 4

Year We're all really proud of you

This week's virtues awards were given to

Ruairi T	Nursery
Tillie-Renae H	Reception
Larcon-Jon B-H	Year 1
Millie-Mai P	Year 2
Eloise M-S	Year 3
Jasmine N	Year 4
Amelia E	Year 5
Tianna C	Year 6

For being Attentive and Discerning

Attendance



Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 5 with 97.1%. *Well done!*

Ready to learn Award



Congratulations, our most punctual class this week was Nursery and Year 1.

Birthdays



Happy birthday this week to: Harleen W and Callum H.



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Our fabulous tweets continue!!! Have a look at some of our most recent tweets! Please don't forget to join our tweeting community by tweeting us @SJBsolihull



St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull · Jul 17, 2020
If your child will be 3 before September we have space's available in our Nursery for mornings only or all day (if you qualify for 30 hours). Please get in touch if you'd like more information.



St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull · 16h
Our Year 3 artists discovered Anglo-Saxon treasure. They did some research and designed belt buckles and shoulder clasps fit for King Raedwald! They used various media to create their finished design. #SJBWeAreArtists @OurLadyandAISI1 🎨👑



St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull · 16h
Year 5 were trying out different shots for their storyboard. #SJBComputing #Videoediting @OurLadyandAISI1 📺🎥



St John the Baptist @SJBsolihull · 17h
Year 2 talked about when Jesus' disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit at Pentecost during #CollectiveWorship. They talked about ways in which the Holy Spirit could help them in their daily lives. #RE #CatholicLife @OurLadyandAISI1 @BCPP_ 🙏🔥



Catholic Church @catholicEW · Jun 2
On this day in 1953, the formal coronation of our longest-reigning monarch Queen Elizabeth II took place. We pray for Elizabeth, our Queen; may she continue to know the steadfast love of God and serve her people faithfully.



Catholic Education Service @CathEdService · Jun 5
Wishing everyone a very blessed Pentecost and praying for all those who are taking their confirmation today or have been confirmed recently. May we all reflect upon the gifts of the Holy Spirit today and how we can share these gifts with others through our lives. #Pentecost



Pope Francis @Pontifex · May 31
Today we lift our hearts to You, Queen of Peace: Intercede for us before Your Son, reconcile hearts filled with violence and vengeance, let your lasting peace reign over all the earth. Amen. #HolyRosary #Peace



Catholic Education Service @CathEdService · May 31
'The Rosary is my favourite prayer. A marvellous prayer! Marvellous in its simplicity and its depth. In the prayer we repeat many times the words that the Virgin Mary heard from the Archangel, and from her kinswoman Elizabeth.' - St Pope John Paul II



Catholic Church @catholicEW · May 31
Almighty ever-living God, who, while the Blessed Virgin Mary was carrying your Son in her womb, inspired her to visit Elizabeth, grant us, we pray, that, faithful to the promptings of the Spirit, we may magnify your greatness with the Virgin Mary at all times.



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The Most Holy Trinity

God of love, you gave us your Son, you gave us your Spirit, may we always follow you in all that we do and say.

This weekend we celebrate Trinity Sunday when we think about how God is made up of three persons: God the Father, Jesus Christ, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Gospel: John 16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I have much more to tell you, but now it would be too much for you to bear. When, however, the Spirit comes, who reveals the truth about God, he will lead you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own authority, but he will speak of what he hears and will tell you of things to come. He will give me glory, because he will take what I say and tell it to you. All that my Father has is mine; that is why I said that the Spirit will take what I give him and tell it to you."

This story is part of Jesus' farewell conversation to the disciples before he dies on the cross. He tells the disciples that after he has gone, the Holy Spirit will guide them. The Holy Spirit will be their teacher and will speak to them just as he did when he was alive and with them. The Holy Spirit will show the disciples what they must do and what they must say in Jesus' name.

There is only one God, But God is made up of three persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. This is what we call the Trinity. Trinity means three. This relationship of the Father, Son and Spirit is a relationship where all are together but each person is also different. The Father created the world and everything in it and sent his only Son Jesus to live among us here on earth. Jesus came to help us to know the Father, to teach us how to live and to forgive our sins. When he returned to heaven, he sent the Holy Spirit to give us courage, to guide us in the right path and to bring us faith, hope, joy and peace.

We believe that Jesus' promise to the disciples - that the Holy Spirit would be with them and guide them, is still true for all of us today and all people after us. The Holy Spirit can guide us to do what is right and to use our talents in the best way to help others.



Listen to the Holy Spirit in the coming week, and see how the Spirit guides you, especially in the way you treat those you live with and the members of our community and global family throughout the world?

Loving God, you are with us always. Send us your Spirit to teach and guide us to live in peace with each other every day. Amen.

Have a lovely weekend.

I. Gallagher

Mr I. Gallagher
Headteacher