

# St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

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## Weekly News

Dear Parents.

We had such a wonderful weekend celebrating Y3's First Holy Communion. Thank you to Fr Ramesh and all of the parents and staff for supporting the children on their spiritual journey. Thank you to all children who were an absolute credit to their families. We are sure that this was a joyous and memorable occasion for you. Y3 did us proud again this morning during the Thanksgiving Mass and enjoyed a celebration afterwards! Thank you to everyone who joined us for Mass.

Thank you to Mrs Hayes and all family and friends who joined our May Procession on Wednesday. Despite the rain, this was a beautiful tribute and celebration to our patron saint, Our Lady, 'Queen of Flowers.' We are, once again, overwhelmed with your generosity in providing such a variety of plants, flowers, seeds and bulbs. Children have already started getting involved in the arranging, planting and potting of the fabulous contributions we have received. Children will also be enjoying outdoor prayer services in our prayer garden, thanking God and considering our Christian vocation to care for creation.

We have also had a very busy week in all areas of the curriculum! Y1 enjoyed a wonderful day on Monday at Blists Hill Victorian Village. This has helped extend and consolidate all of their fantastic knowledge about the Victorians and understanding of similarities and differences across different eras.

Y3 and Y5 also enjoyed a historical themed day on Tuesday, learning even more about the Ancient Egyptians and the Ancient Greeks from Professor McGinty - a time travelling detective. These workshops were so engaging and interactive with a mixture of pictures, artefacts and mesmerising facts and stories.

Have a wonderful half term. Kindest regards, Mrs Hill





Wow - we are absolutely worn out from all of the enjoyable events during our sports week!

African dancing, boogie bounce and gymnastics, to name but a few enriching activities. The children have enjoyed learning about stamina, coordination and core strength, all whilst having fun!

Thank you to Mrs Smith for organising all of this and to our Sports Leaders for supporting the younger children with their skills.

We had a great turn out for our sports days on Wednesday and Thursday and it was wonderful to see the children trying so hard, encouraging each other and thoroughly enjoying themselves.

Well done to everyone who has tried to walk to school from home or park a little further away and walk to school this week! We have been impressed with how many children have got involved. We hope that you enjoyed the chat, exercise and the fresh air and are inspired to try more of this after half term!

This afternoon, we enjoyed an assembly, celebrating all of the sporting achievements this week.



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### **Notices**

Grab bags are back! Children in KS2 are invited to join in with grab bag lunches. Each Monday for Y6, Tuesday for Y5, Wednesday for Y4 and Thursday for Y3, children can choose a picnic style lunch (a warm sausage/bacon/veggie baquette, a cake/biscuit and piece of fruit), which they can then eat outside in our picnic area. It is fun and always well received. These lunches need to be pre-ordered at least 24 hours in advance. Please pay for a school lunch as normal via the gateway.

#### PTA News:

- Our 50/50 winner for May is Mr and Mrs Doocey. A cheque for £48.75 will be left in the school office for you. Please see the flyer attached for information on how to join the PTA 50/50 club. It is really easy to set up and you are in with a good chance of winning each month!
- Please see a flyer regarding an upcoming 'Someone Special Shop' with father's day gifts and gifts for other special people in your child's life. Please note the deadline for payments so that the PTA can ensure that they have enough gifts.
- Thank you so much for your donations for the hampers for the summer fayre. There are two more dates on which the PTA will be kindly asking for further donations and these will take place after half term. Thank you so much for your ongoing support and generosity.

Week beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Y4 multiplication checks (times tables test)

Tuesday 3rd June - Y2 and Y4 at Mass with the Parish

Thursday 5th June - Y3 educational visit

Friday 6th June - Y2 educational visit

Week beginning 9th June - Y1 Phonics check

9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> June Y6 Residential

Tuesday 10th June - Y5 at Mass with the Parish

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June - bottle donations for the PTA please (this is not a non-uniform day) Plus, the father's day gift shop is in school

Wednesday 18th June - New Nursery and Reception induction evening

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - start of Vocations Week (Children can dress up in clothes linked to a job they would like to do when they are older. Please do not feel the need to buy an outfit; they could bring a prop or make something.)

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 9:10am Y1 Class Showcase - parents welcome

YR parents - we would like to invite you to a transition meeting to share information about moving to Y1 on Wednesday 25th June at 9:10am

## Reflection and Prayer

# This Sunday is the Sixth Sunday of Easter.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus gives us the gift of peace. The peace Jesus shared with his disciples was filled with the spirit of his love and goodness. Being close to God gives us a wonderful feeling of wellbeing

and happiness.







Yours sincerely, Mrs N. Hill Headteacher