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Tuesday 15th May 2018

Together we are exploring our special gifts; Together we are growing towards God

'TOGETHER WE ARE GROWING TOWARDS GOD'

Dear Parents, Carers and Parishioners,

Worship

The

Catholic Schools Partnership

A Teaching School Alliance of Bradford & Keighley

Yesterday, our Gospel reading centred around caring for the world and caring for each other. Jesus spoke to God about how he had prepared his people to look after each other once he had gone back to his Father. We examined our hands and remembered how God had created them and in doing so, they are God's hands. We shared with each other how we use our hands to help each other (give a hug, shake hands, high fives) and to share our gifts and talents (draw, write, play instruments).



We then talked about how God can only do good "christ has no body now on earth
but yours,
no hands but yours,
no feet but yours,
Yours are the eyes
through which to look out
christ's compassion to the world
Yours are the feet with which
he is to go about doing good;
Yours are the hands
with which he is to bless men now."

-St. Teresa of Ávila

in the world through us, so every action we take, is in the name of God. We ended by setting our mission of the week; to remember we are God's hands.

God Bless Mr Copley and Mrs Haines

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

The meeting for parents and children on the 10^{th} June has been cancelled and the next meeting is now the 24^{th} June. Parents need to take the children through session 7 of the book at home prior to the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on 27^{th} June at 6.30 pm.

If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils, please ask to speak to Mr Copley,
Mrs Haines or Mrs Laptew

Every week we look to celebrate being outstanding every day. Each class is collecting Gold Coins for their treasure chests and the winners each week will receive a prize!

6	Merit Worship Leaderboard 🐞 🧳 🍪	
Year Group	Class Pirate Name	Winners
Year 1:	Breen's Buccanneer	1
Year 2:	Martin's Mi Hearties	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Year 3:	Wood's Plank Walkers	50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 5
Year 4:	Trotter's Treasure Trove	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Year 5:	Speake's Scurvy Scallywags	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3
Year 6:	Langham's Landlubbers	# # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # #

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS:

Our Attendance Target for this year is 97%



Well done to Year 6 who are our attendance champions with 100%. Well done to Years 3, 4 and 5 who also achieved over 99%. We are still not hitting our target but with a few more

weeks like last week, we will get there.

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE w/b 07.05.18.	%ATTENDANCE this year to date	
FS2	98.75	95.84	
Year 1	96.25	96.85	
Year 2	96.25	96.39	
Year 3	<mark>99.17</mark>	<mark>97.62</mark>	
Year 4	<mark>99.57</mark>	<mark>97.46</mark>	
Year 5	<mark>99.54</mark>	<mark>97.17</mark>	
Year 6	100.00	<mark>97.55</mark>	
Average	<mark>98.50%</mark>	96.98%	
TARGET	<mark>97.00%</mark>	<mark>97.00%</mark>	

TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

Congratulations to our Merit Winners last week: Isabelle Quinn, Lucina Jarvis, Millie McTasney, Eve Jakubiak, Emelie Longbottom, Olivia Brandon, Matthew Henderson-Hall and Sophie Lightfoot.

The Big Cat reading merit was awarded to Pippa Hudson for her amazing comprehension skills. Pippa is so diligent, positive and hard working.

Mr Copley and Mrs Haines' Headteacher's award was given to Rose Binns for being a model student and a mature and reliable member of Year 4.



The Diocesan Youth Choir sang at Mass at St Margaret Clitherow in Skipton on Sunday. The parishioners were very impressed. There were children from St Cuthbert's and St Francis as well as other schools. The Children were really well behaved and really enjoyed the tour of Skipton Castle afterwards.

Please note that Children Can bring in their Certificates or achievements from outside of school for the Merit Worship at the end of every month. Merit Worship on Friday 25th May will be at 2.45 pm

If your child has been exploring their special gifts outside of school then please send the office an email so that we can celebrate this in our newsletter:

SCHOOL NEWS



FOREST SCHOOL

Here some are pictures of Year 2 enjoying outdoors at Forest School.









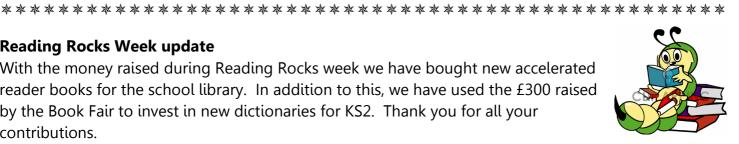
They built and lit a fire and toasted marshmallows yum yum!



Good luck to Year 6 who are now half way through their SATs and enjoying their SATs breakfast. You are all doing fantastic. Well done everyone.

Reading Rocks Week update

With the money raised during Reading Rocks week we have bought new accelerated reader books for the school library. In addition to this, we have used the £300 raised by the Book Fair to invest in new dictionaries for KS2. Thank you for all your contributions.



MUSIC IN MAY continues @stfrancisbrad #musicinmay

On Friday we had a visit from a Brass Band who played many popular tunes. The children had a great time and joined in with the music.





* Tuesday 22 nd	Children's Concert	2:20pm
Friday 25 th	String Trio Concert	9am

* Parents are warmly invited to the Children's Concert on Tuesday 22nd May.



CALENDAR DATES SPRING TERM

Monday 21 st May	All day	FS	Visit to Nell Bank
	All day	Y6	Visit to Eden Camp
Tuesday 22 nd May	2.20 pm	All	Children's Music Concert
Friday 25 th May	Break up for Spring Bank half term		
Monday 11 th June	School re opens after Spring Bank		
Monday 11 th June	AM	Y6	Leavers photograph
Tuesday 12 th June	All day	Y4	Visit to Nell Bank
Monday 18 th June	All day	Y2	Visit to Magna Science Museum
	6.00 pm	FS1	Welcome meeting for new parents
Wednesday 20 th June	6.00 pm	FS2	Welcome meeting for FS2 in September
Monday 25 th June	1.00 pm	Y4	Visit to Sikh Temple
Wednesday 27 th June	PM	Y5/6	Online bullying workshop
Thursday 28 th June	All day	Y1	Visit to Hesketh Farm
Friday 29 th June	PM	All	Parent Council Summer Fair
Wednesday 4 th July	AM	All	Transition day
	9.30 – 10.30	FS1/2	New children drop in session
	PM	All	Transition meetings for parents
Thursday 5 th July	All day	Y3	York Railway Museum visit
Monday 9 th July	All day	All	Billy Bantam penalty shootout
Tuesday 10 th July	9.30 am	Y6	Production dress rehearsal
Wednesday 11 th July	2.00 & 6.00 pm	Y6	Year 6 Production
Thursday 12 th July	9.00 am	All	Final Merit Worship
Friday 13 th July	All day	All	Sports Day (tbc)
Monday 16 th July	10.30 am	All	Leavers Mass
Friday 20 th July	Break up for Summer		