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

# Your Tuesday News 24th May 2022

#### 'TOGETHER WE ARE GROWING TOWARDS GOD'

## Worship

This week at St Francis it is 'Other Faith week'. The children will be spending their time learning and deepening their understanding of Islam. In yesterday's worship we learnt how the Prophet

Muhammad gave messages of Allah's word in the Qur'an. One of the important messages was to take care of all the creatures in the world no matter how small. We learnt this through the Islamic stories of the

'The Prophet and the Ants' and the 'Prophet and the Crying Camel'. We then discussed how this message and the Islamic stories were similar to the messages our patron St Francis taught us and the Creation story found in Genesis.



Y4 will be walking up to church on Wednesday 25th May to celebrate their Class Mass with the rest of the parish at 9:30am. Parents/carers and families are welcome to join them.

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# The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration



































#### Red. White and Blue

Please remember that children are invited to wear red, white and blue this coming Friday.

## **Big Picnic**

Parents/carers and families are invited to come along and join us from 11:30am at our 'Big Picnic' out on the school field (weather permitting). If you have not already done so, please fill out the form that has been texted out to all parents to tell us if you are attending by the end of today please. We really need to know how many people to expect so that we can run everything smoothly and safely. Form link: <a href="https://forms.gle/en2GkLLjh9Grs6At7">https://forms.gle/en2GkLLjh9Grs6At7</a>

## Sandwich fillings

If you did not fill out the form requesting a sandwich filling, then please make sure you send your child to school on Friday with a packed lunch from home. School dinners will only be provided for those who submitted the form.

#### The Great St Francis Bake Off

Thank you to all the children for their entry forms for **The Great St Francis Bake Off** competition. Our judges cannot wait to sample all your puddings fit for a queen!

#### **Jubilee Activities in Classrooms**

Children will take part in Jubilee-themed activities throughout the afternoon in their classrooms or outdoors. Again, please fill out the form texted out on Friday to inform us of whether you intend to come. The form link is the same as above.

#### **Choir Performances**

The Children's Choir and Staff Choir will be performing some jubilee themed songs at 2:45pm in the large hall. Once more, please fill out the form texted out on Friday to inform us of whether you intend to come. The form link is the same as above.

As you can imagine, putting on a celebration like this with so many people invited takes a lot of organisation so thank you very much for your cooperation in filling out forms giving us all the information we need. We hope the sun shines and we all have a brilliant day!

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# TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

## Merit Worship

Our Merit winners last week: FS1 - Aaryan; FS2 - Darcie; Year 1 - Callum; Year 2 - Mila; Year 3 - McKenzie; Year 4 - Femi; Year 5 - Lewie; Year 6 - Millie.

Mrs Haines' Headteacher's Award: Ashton – for throwing himself into the role of Digital Leader. Ashton is responsible in his role and a wonderful help to me personally in worships. Thank you Ashton!!

Well done everyone!!

#### Big Cat Reading Award:

Jacob – in recognition of superb reading at school this week! Jacob has been reading lots at home and in school and we have been blown away by how well he is using his phonics Well done Jacob!

Esme – For her amazing reading! Esme has WOWed Misss Britz, Mrs Ward and Mrs Setchell this week with her fantastic phonics knowledge! Well done Esme!

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#### **Coffee and Chat!**

It was so lovely to see parents/carers, babies and toddlers at our first 'Coffee and Chat' yesterday morning. It was very relaxed with plenty of hot drinks and biscuits. Mrs Wright will be running this every Monday from 8:45-9:45am.



# **Everyone is very warmly welcome!!**

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#### **Performance Poetry**

Children in Reception class, Y2, Y4 and Y6 will perform their chosen poems as part of our Performance Poetry programme on Thursday 26th May at 9am. Parents/carers and families are warmly invited to come along and watch.

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#### **Fantastic Footballers!**

Well done to the children from Y3 and Y4 who represented the school so brilliantly at a friendly football match at Grove House Primary School last Tuesday.

We are really proud of all of you!





## **Gardening Club Request**

Our keen little gardeners are in need of any bulbs, plants or seeds. If you have any of these, please could you drop them off at the school office.

Mrs Wright and her little gang will be most grateful of them!!

#### **Toy Request**

The Student Council have a new venture. They are currently organising suitcases of different items to take out at lunchtimes to entertain the children. There will be a suitcase for comics and books, one for den building equipment and one for small toys. We are particularly low on toys, so if anyone has any dolls, toy cars etc. that would fit in a suitcase, please can you drop them off at the school office. Many thanks in advance.



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#### **Breakfast and After School Club Payments**

We respectfully ask all of our parents/carers to keep up to date with payments for both clubs and not run into arrears. We will be sending out reminder texts with details of outstanding payments. If you could please clear these arrears as soon as possible.

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## **Dates for Your Diary**

Date	Time	Year group	Event
23/05/2022 to 27/05/2022		All Years	RE Other Faith Week - Islam
			Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebration –
27/05/2022		All Years	Children wear red, white & blue

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#### **PFA**

Our next event is the Summer Disco on Thursday 23<sup>rd:</sup>

- FS2, Year 1 & Year 2 4:30pm to 5:30pm
- Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 5:45pm to 6:45pm



This will be set up on Parent Pay - £5.00 per child – this includes entry, drink, crisps, sweets & a glowstick.

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#### **URGENT REMINDER - Art Exhibition!!!**

Before the Easter holidays all children were given a letter about the forthcoming art exhibition. Each child is being given the opportunity to showcase their very best artwork and to win some fabulous art materials if their work is selected as one of the judge's favourite pieces. All artwork submitted will be displayed along with artwork from all of the catholic schools in the district.

So far we have had very few entries and the deadline for submitting work is fast approaching (Friday). If you would like your child to submit an entry please send it in as soon as possible.



Full names (and year group) need to be written on the back of each entry.

All you have to do is produce a piece of art on "eyes of the world". This is linked with the Pope's commitment to care for the world.

Your artwork could take many forms, here are some ideas:

God's creations on Earth like ... the Yorkshire Dales, Sahara Desert, Zebras or us. Can you think of any others? Work in the style of famous Artists who have created masterpieces ... Vincent van Gogh, David Hockney or Margaret Keane. Can you think of any others?

Work showing how we damage our world.

Work showing animals in danger through climate change and other man-made problems.

Work celebrating the people who care for others and the world around us.

Work can be drawing, painting, photography, collage or even 3D. Size is up to you!

#### Good luck!

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#### **Half Term Holidays**

We break up this Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> May for two week. We return on Monday 13th June. We wish you all lots of happiness and quality time with your families over the week.

## PE Timetable from 13<sup>th</sup> June

Monday – Year 2 & Year 3 Tuesday – Year 1, Year 4 & Year 5 (Swimming) Wednesday – Year 3 & Year 6 Thursday – FS2, Year 2, Year 5 & Year 6 Friday – Year 1 (Forest School) & Year 4



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