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

Your Tuesday News 28th June 2022 **'TOGETHER WE ARE GROWING TOWARDS GOD'**

Worship

This Wednesday 29th June is the Feast day of St Peter and St Paul. Together we explored the lives and significant events of these two very special Saints. We learned that, despite their faults and the huge mistakes they made, Jesus still saw the very best in them and chose them to do very special jobs; Peter became the first Pope and the founder of the Christian church and Paul travelled far and wide and wrote hundreds of letters to spread the Word of God. We prayed together and set our mission for the week: to



remember that Jesus always sees the best in us and forgives us for any mistakes that we make.

Our virtues worship this week focuses on the virtue of **HONESTY**.

This Sunday, 3rd July, many children in Y4 and Y5 are making their First Holy Communion in church. We are so proud of all these children and we pray for them as they continue their faith journey with Christ.



My Lord Jesus, With this First Holy Communion, we offer You our thoughts, our words, and all that we do. May Your Grace help our children to be ready to receive You always. Amen



Thank you to all our families for supporting our own clothes day fundraiser for the Mark 10 Mission. We raised £162 for which we are very grateful.

The Parish Fair is taking place on Saturday 9th July at church between 1pm and 3pm. Thank you to all the families who generously donated sweets last Friday for the sweet stall. Please do pop along and support this parish event.



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. If you could please clear these arrears as soon as possible. Please log on to ParentPay and check your account. Please log on to ParentPay and make your payment when you make your weekly booking.

TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

Merit Worship

Our Merit winners last week: FS1 – Rosie; FS2 – Niamh; Year 1 – Shazil (Syed); Year 2 – Shazil (Syed); Year 3 – Ava; Year 4 – Emma; Year 5 – Adam; Year 6 – Miley.

Mrs Haines' Headteacher's Award:

Joshua For being an exemplary student who tries his best in everything and always uses his manners. He always has his amazing smile too!

Big Cat Reading Award:

Alfie in recognition of superb reading! Keep it up! He has slowed down and is reading more and more accurately! We were especially impressed with his Phonic Screening.

Well done everyone!!!!

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. Thank you to those of you who have already donated.



Parents of children in Nursery & Reception are invited to come along for a stay & play session on either Monday 11th July, Tuesday 12th July or Wednesday 13th July from 8:30am. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

There is a welcome meeting this Wednesday 29th June at 6pm in the small hall for parents/carers of children starting at St Francis in Reception Class in September. Even if your child already attends our Nursery, it is really important that you attend this meeting as a lot of important information will be shared and you will also receive a welcome pack. We look forward to seeing you there.

Music Concert

Parents/Carers are warmly invited into school at 2:15pm on Monday 18th July for a celebration of our Music curriculum this year. There will be performances from all classes from Y1-Y5 plus our staff and children's choirs. It promises to be a musical extravaganza! Year 6 (other than those in the choir) will not be taking part due to their Wow Day on the same day. The will be demonstrating the musical prowess in their production.

Following the success of our Jubilee day and bearing in mind that both of our parents evenings this year have been virtual, we are organising a 'Share Our Learning' event over the next few weeks. We hope this will be a great opportunity for parents/carers to come and see the learning that all the children have taken part in this year. During this event, parents/carers are invited into school to sit with their child in a lesson and then afterwards spend some time looking at their child's books. There will be four sessions (two mornings and two afternoons) for each class for parents/carers to choose from, so that



we do not have too many adults in the classrooms at the same time. Please note: we are not able to have more than 8 parents/carers in a classroom at one time. A link to the booking system was sent out last Friday, 24th June at 7pm for parents/carers to sign up for one session per child. The dates for each class are as follows:

Year 1 – Monday 4th July & Thursday 7th July Year 2 – Thursday 7th July & Wednesday 13th July Year 3 – Tuesday 5th July & Wednesday 13th July Year 4 – Tuesday 5th July & Thursday 7th July Year 5 – Monday 4th July & Friday 8th July Year 6 – Thursday 30th June & Thursday 7th July

Please note: The Year 5 Ancient Greek Wow Day has been postponed until Monday 11th July due to the Share Our Learning event. Please accept our apologies.

Our Transition Day will take place on Wednesday 6th July. Please note the following information:

Year 6

Our current Y6 children who will be attending SBSJ in September will visit their new school - a separate letter from SBSJ has gone out to parents with all the necessary details. The Y6 children remaining will come to school as normal and help out in other classes.

Reception - Year 5

Children from our current Reception Class - Y5 will come to school and line up as normal. They will then come together for a special worship before going off to their new classrooms with their new teachers with whom they will spend the whole morning. There will then be an opportunity for parents/carers to meet their child(ren)'s new teacher(s), either at 3:30pm or at 5:30pm on the same day. We look forward to seeing you there.

Nursery and Reception

Parents of children starting Nursery and Reception Class should have received all their necessary information in a separate letter from Mrs Needs and Miss McDermott.

Welcome back to Mrs Horne who returned to school after her maternity leave. Mrs Horne will be working in several different classes up until the summer holidays before she takes over as Y6 Class Teacher in September.

Goodbye and Good Luck

Last Thursday we said a fond farewell to Mrs Byrne, one of our Lunchtime Supervisors who had worked with us for an amazing 22 years. We thanked her for all her dedication and years of service to our school and children.

It is a pleasure to see many faces popping along for a 'Coffee and Chat' over the last few weeks. It is very relaxed with plenty of hot drinks and biscuits. Mrs Wright is running this every Monday from 8:45-9:45am. Everyone (including babies and toddlers) is very warmly welcome!!



Date	Time	Year group	Event
Wednesday 29/06/2022	6pm	New Reception in Sep	Welcome Meeting for parent of new reception class.
Friday 01/07/2022	11am – 3pm	Year 5	BCWCAT Liturgy at Holy Family School (Keighley)
Tuesday 05/07/2022	All Day	Year 2	Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Wednesday 06/07/2022	All Day	Whole School	St Francis Transition morning for children
Wednesday 06/07/2022	3:30pm & 5:30pm	Whole School	Parents meeting with children's new teachers
Wednesday 06/07/2022	All Day	Year 6	Transition day for children going to SBSJ
Wednesday 13/07/2022	2pm & 6pm	Year 6	Y6 End of Year Performance
Thursday 14/07/2022	9:30am	KS1	KS1 Sports Day + Nursery + Reception
Thursday 14/07/2022	1:30pm	KS2	KS2 Sports Day
Monday 18/07/2022	2:15pm	KS1 & KS2	Music Concert
Wednesday 20/07/2022	10:30am	All	End of Year/Leavers Mass
Thursday 21/07/2022	9am	All	Final Special Merit Worship – Parents will be invited by text message
Friday 22/07/2022	2:15pm	Year 6	Year 6 Leavers' Liturgy
Friday 22/07/2022		All	Break up for Summer
Tuesday 06/09/2022		All	Return to School

Thank you so much to everyone for supporting the Summer Disco last Thursday. The children looked fantastic in all their disco gear and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. It was a pleasure to see! We are so grateful for your generosity! This money is going to be put towards some much needed musical instruments in school. Thank you so much! We are currently organising our rainbow hampers and selling raffle tickets after school for them. Please catch us to buy some!

Nursery, Reception and KS1 Sports Day will take place at 9:30am on Thursday 14th July. KS2 Sports Day will take place at 1:30pm on Thursday 14th July. Parents/Carers/Families are warmly invited to come along and support the children.

All children to come in PE kits and ensure they have water bottles, hats and suncream for the day.

We have seen an increase in absence requests from parents for leave during term time.

In line with our attendance policy, school will not authorise leave in term time unless there are exceptional circumstances which have been agreed by the Headteacher Mrs. Haines.

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