



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

News in School

4th July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Mass - Feast of St Peter and St Paul - 29th June

Although I could not attend Mass at church on Wednesday, I have been told by staff and parishioners that the children's behaviour was impeccable. Thank you to Year 4 for leading Mass and for your wonderful reading voices! A member of the public even stopped one of the adults outside of church and asked what was going on as they had heard the children singing and thought it was amazing! Well done everyone!

Also, a huge thank you to the parents who volunteered to support the children walking to church: Mrs McNally, Mrs Ross, Mrs Laird, Miss Ellum, Mrs Beeton and Mrs Gebremichael. The time each of you have given is much appreciated!

Sports Day

Having looked that the predicted weather forecast for Wednesday, 6th July, we plan to hold Sports Day on that day! Please could ALL children come to school dressed in their PE kits on Wednesday. Please ensure that the children are wearing the correct PE kit - white T-shirt and royal blue shorts/joggers.

As the children will be outside, please apply any sun cream PRIOR to coming into school. If your child brings a hat into school, please could you ensure their name is written on it so that it can get back to its rightful owner if they become separated. Please ensure your child has their water bottle with them.

The PTA have very kindly offered to provide refreshments for parents whilst you enjoy the activities!

SAFEGUARDING - To ensure the safety of all of our children, if you are taking photos of your child and there are other children in the photo, these images must NOT be shared on any social media platform as you do not have parental permission to share photos of other children.





Holy Communion Programme

Having not been able to complete the Holy Communion Programme over the last couple of years, it was an absolute privilege to witness children from Our Lady's make their First Holy Communion. If you would like your child to take part in next year's programme, please see below a message from Mrs Jacky Griffiths, who runs the programme.

The next parish based First Communion Programme starts in early October, with a Parents Information Evening in September. The programme is for children from Year 3 upwards and is based in our parish church. If you would like your child / children to take part, would you please contact me as soon as possible. I will then let you have more details. Jacky Griffiths. Tel: 01526 323275. email: jackygriffiths@gmail.com

Non-uniform Day for Rainbows Hospice



We will be having a non-uniform day on Friday, 8th July in aid of Rainbows Hospice. This is a hospice very dear to one of our Year 6 children's heart as they provide support for her brother and her family.

Her parents were told that their son would not be expected to live beyond his early life. He is now a strapping almost 20 year old man! The hospice has provided lots of support for them over the years and they would like to repay this and school offered to support them. Please support this worthwhile cause by sending £1 in payment for non-uniform. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Weekly Attendance

Well done to Year Reception for really improving their attendance levels this week resulting in them being winners of the week!

As the end of the academic year draws ever closer, it is tempting to state that the children are 'not really doing anything at this time of the year'. However, this is not true!! Staff are still planning a full curriculum and it is important that your children's attendance is still a priority to you.

Even in this year, plagued with COVID, chicken pox and sickness, we do have some children on track to finish the year with 100% attendance! What an amazing achievement!

| W/C | EYFS | Y1 | Y2 | Y3 | Y4 | Y5 | Y6 |
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| 20.06.22 | 90.77% | 84.29% | 90% | 96.67% | 90.82% | 95.52% | 97.27% |
| 27.06.22 | 98.46% | 93.81% | 87.33% | 90.42% | 89.0% | 95.52% | 92.73% |

Yours sincerely

Mrs N Malthouse
Acting Headteacher

Dates for your diary

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| 6th July | Sports Day - Weather permitting |
| 8th July | Non-uniform Day Rainbows Hospice |
| 13th July | 2nd Sports Day if the 6th July has to be cancelled |
| 14th July | Y6 PTA Treat EYFS/KS1 and KS2 Discos |
| 20th July | Y6 Leavers' Mass - 10.00am |
| 20th July | Y6 Leavers' Performance - 1.30pm (parents to arrive from 1pm) |
| 22nd July | Final day of Term 6 and the Academic Year! |
| 6th September 2022 | Start of the new Academic Year 2022/2023! |