



Newsletter No 36

Dear Parents and Friends

Friday 29 June 2018



This morning we celebrated our Academy Mass led by Monsignor Timothy Menezes. Obviously we were disappointed that Early Years and KS1 could not attend on this occasion but the KS2 children were a credit to the school. A special thank you to those children who has specific roles in the Mass; they really contributed to it being a very special day.



A group of Year 5 children- Isabel, Thomas, Ava and Imogen performed fantastically well last Friday at the Maths Competition at Kings Edwards Boys School. They worked well as a team and rose to the challenge of even tougher challenges than last time! As a reward for their hard work and effort, they got to attend a talk from a Mathematician about the Magic of shapes, which was enjoyed by all!

Letters emailed to parents this week:

Year 2: Giving details regarding trip to Weston Super Mare

Please contact office if you have not received copy



Mass: Year 5 will lead our Mass in *church* on Thursday 5 July. All welcome.



Uniform

It has come to our attention lately that some children have not been wearing the correct school uniform. Parents are reminded that even as the term comes to a close, trainers are not acceptable footwear for school. Please see details of summer uniform below.

Girls: Green check dress (not striped) , Grey trousers/Polo shirt with logo, Suitable shoes with white socks

Boys: Grey trousers/shorts, Polo shirt with school logo, Grey socks, Sensible dark school shoes - no trainers

The children have been individually reminded of our uniform policy. Please support us in this important matter.



Music Lessons

A letter has been sent home with all children regarding the changes in music lessons from September 2018. Please contact the school office if you have not received a copy. Thank you.



EYFS Assembly Tuesday 26 June

Well done to all the Early Years children who were fantastic in their first class assembly. They all learnt their lines well and sang our songs loud and proud with lots of enthusiasm. Miss Stewart was very proud of them, as are we! Well done!



Selling Tip-Tops

As part of the Eco-warriors and Buddies fundraising initiative we will be selling tip-tops after school on **Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 July from 3:20 - 3:40pm (20p for small, 30p for large)**. All money raised will go towards new equipment for Forest School. Please send money in with your child to support our fundraising. Thank you.



Year 5 visit to Bishop Walsh

Year 5 will be going to Bishop Walsh on **Monday 2 July** to participate in a Science lesson. It is a great chance to experience a different learning opportunity. The children will be walking to and from Bishop Walsh and will be back at school before the end of the school day. Due to the unpredictability of the British weather, the children will also need to have protection from the sun and a raincoat depending on the weather.



Bishop Walsh Information Evening

Parents of pupils in Year 5 are invited to an 'Information Evening' at Bishop Walsh on **Monday 2 July**. Start time is 7.00pm (refreshments from 6.30pm). A flyer has been sent home with all Year 5 children. Thank you.



Handover Day Wednesday 4 July

On Wednesday, our Year 6 children will visit their new Secondary schools and the rest of the school will spend the day with their new teachers. We also welcome our new Early Years children into school for a Teddy Bears' Picnic. I cannot believe we have reached that this time of year again!



Football Training

There will be no football training on *Friday 6 July*. Thank you.



Music lessons

There will be no music lessons on *Friday 6 July*. Thank you.



Sports Day Friday 6 July

Sports Day will be on *Friday 6 July* starting at 1.30pm; this is a lovely afternoon. Please come along to support our children, all welcome!

At the end of the school day:

EYFS and KS1 children will be dismissed from the KS1 gate.

KS2 children will be dismissed in the KS2 playground.

All children must be collected at the end of the day in line with our safeguarding procedures.



Summer Fayre and Family BBQ Friday 6 July 3.20pm to 5.20pm

The PTA have requested the following:



Bottle Stall Donation

Today please send in bottles for the bottle stall. This can be anything from a bottle of ketchup to a bottle of Fizz! Children are required to wear **full school uniform**. Thank you.



£1 Donation

On *Friday 6 July* we request that the children bring in £1 donation for the PTA to purchase items for our Summer Fayre. Children are required to wear **full school uniform**. Thank you.



White Elephant Stall

There will be a White Elephant Stall at the summer fayre, we are asking for donations for this stall (unwanted gifts or items). These can be sent into school at any time and they will be greatly appreciated!



Summer Fayre and Family BBQ Friday 6 July 3.20pm to 5.20pm

This will be a fantastic family event to celebrate the end of term and start of Summer.

There will be a licensed bar available - with all proceeds raised going to the PTA!

So please leave your car at home, bring your picnic rug, relax and have some fun!

Polite reminder

*Parents are reminded that this is an after school event and therefore, children are the responsibility of their parents. Staff who are attending the BBQ are there to support and help at the event and **not** to supervise children. The car park is for Holy Cross staff only and as we are a non-smoking site, anyone wishing to smoke is required to go onto Laburnum Drive, Thank you.*

In order to keep this a happy and safe family occasion, no alcohol may be brought onto the school site/grounds and any alcohol won in a raffle or wine/water stall must remain unopened. There will be a licensed bar at this event and only alcohol purchased at the bar may be consumed. The money raised from this goes towards PTA funds. Thank you for your cooperation in both these matters.



***Thank you for all your support towards making our Summer Fayre and BBQ a great success!
Let's hope for good weather. Thank you.***



Sutton Coldfield Community Games

These will be held on **Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 July** at Wyndley Leisure Centre. A poster has been emailed to all parents; please contact the school office if you require a copy. Thank you.



Year 3 visit to Chedworth Roman Villa

Arrangements have now been made to take the children in Year 3 on a visit to Chedworth Roman Villa on **Tuesday 10 July 2018**. A voluntary donation of £23.00 is now required to cover the cost of transport and insurance. Payment for this trip is via Parent Pay; deadline for payment is **Monday 2 July**. A letter has been emailed to all Year 3 parents; if you require a copy please contact the school office. Thank you.

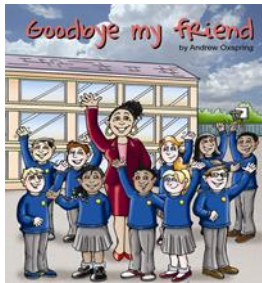


Photographs

Class, graduation, leavers and Corpus Christi photos were sent home with children this week. If you would like to place an order please return to the school office no later than **Monday 11 July**. Thank you.

Holy Communion Photos

Orders need to be returned direct to Academy Photographers-deadline date is given in proof pack. Thank you.



Year 6 Leavers' Production

Our Year 6 Leavers' Production 'Good-Bye my Friend' will be on **Wednesday 11 July** at 6.00pm. The children are rehearsing really hard for this; I am avoiding going into the rehearsals so I will be as surprised as you will be! All welcome!



Year 4 visit to Bishop Walsh-Creative Arts Day

On **Wednesday 11 July** children in Year 4 will be going to Bishop Walsh to take part in a 'Creative Arts Day'. The children will be improving their skills in culinary arts, design and art activities.

A voluntary donation of £5.00 will cover the cost of art material and ingredients for the healthy eating workshop. If you require financial assistance or additional time to pay for this item, please submit a written request to Miss T Cotter. This will be dealt with discreetly and confidentially. Please login to your Parent Pay account and select this item; deadline for payment is **Wednesday 4 July**.



End of Term PTA Disco - Non School Uniform Day

This will be held on **Thursday 12 July** from 3.20pm to 4.30pm. If you are available to help please contact the school office. Thank you for your support. **£2.00 entrance fee to the disco per child (in a clearly marked envelope with child's name and 'Disco')**. Children can also bring a maximum of **£3.00 spending money - in a separate purse please**.



Year 6 visit to West Midlands Safari Park

Arrangements have now been made to take the children in Year 6 on a visit to West Midlands Safari Park on **Tuesday 17 July 2018**. A voluntary donation of £26.00 is now required to cover the cost of transport, admission and insurance. Payment for this trip is via Parent Pay; deadline for payment is **Wednesday 27 June**. A letter has been emailed to all Year 6 parents; if you require a copy please contact the school office. Thank you.

Attendance - Our school strives for 100% attendance.

Government legislation states that a child with an attendance of 90% and below is categorised as a "Persistent Absence Pupil". An attendance figure of 90% equates to missing half a day every week that means four weeks of missed school work across the whole year.

Parents should also be aware that referrals to the school nurse will be considered for those children with an attendance rate of below 95% due to health related absences.



This week the Attendance Award was won by: Year 6 with 99.3% Well done!

The Punctuality Award for the week: EYFS, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 6!

Recommendations

Recommendations:

EYFS: Whole class **Year 1:** Tabitha S, Kaya G **Year 2:** Ella B, Reuben R **Year 3:** Harry K, Maggie R
Year 4: Christie W, Sian J **Year 5:** James M, Maria L **Year 6:** Madeline L, Frances C, James R.



Lunchtime Award: Keane S (Y6).

Class of the Week: Year 2.



Virtues and Values

This half term we are concentrating on being '**Attentive and Discerning**'. As a school community we are looking for opportunities in our own lives where we show the virtues. Please discuss this with your children at home; highlighting times when you experience or show these virtues. This will also be the focus for our 'Angel of the Week' awards for this half term.



Angel of the Week

Each week we will be recognising those children who we feel have made that extra special effort and show the virtues in their daily life.

This week's winners are: **Miss Stewart:** Hughie O'D **Miss Stevens:** James W
Mr Hunt: Tommy M **Mr Mayor:** Lola F, Logan McC **Miss Lovelock and Miss Crowley:** Olivia H
Mr Rowlands: Erin L-F **Miss Cross:** Ben O'T, Eva P.



Happy Birthday to the following children who have celebrated their birthdays this week:
 Antoni C (EYFS), Daniel K (Y1), Salvio J, Charlie G (Y2), Olivia F (Y4), Niamh S (Y6).

Dates for Diary - July 2018

Monday 2 July	12.00pm-1.00pm	HSBC in school
Monday 2 July	12.30pm-2.30pm	Year 5 Science Day at Bishop Walsh
Monday 2 July to Thursday 5 July		Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 3 July	All day	EYFS Trip to Twycross Zoo
Wednesday 4 July	All day	Handover Day
Wednesday 4 July	9.30am	Teddy bear's picnic for new EYFS September 2018
Friday 6 July	All day	There will be no music lessons today
Friday 6 July	1.30pm-3.20pm	Sports Day
Friday 6 July	3.30pm-5.20pm	Summer Fayre and BBQ (Non school uniform)
Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 July	12.00pm-5.00pm	Sutton Coldfield Community Games
Monday 9 July	All day	Year 2 Trip to Weston Super Mare

Tuesday 10 July	All day	Year 3 Trip to Chedworth Roman Villa
Tuesday 10 July	6.00pm-8.00pm	Rotary Awards Evening Year 6
Wednesday 11 July	All Day	Year 4 Creative Arts Day at Bishop Walsh
Wednesday 11 July	6.00pm-7.00pm	Year 6 Leavers' production-'Good-Bye My Friend'
Thursday 12 July	3.20pm-4.30pm	PTA Summer disco
Friday 13 July	7.00pm	Year 6 Leavers' party at Walmley Social Club
Monday 16 July	12.00pm-1.00pm	HSBC in school
Tuesday 17 July	All day	Year 6 Trip to West Midlands Safari Park
Thursday 19 July	9.15am	Year 6 Leavers' Mass
Friday 20 July	2.00pm	EYFS Graduation-parents welcome
Friday 20 July	All Day	Toy Day - children to wear full school uniform
Friday 20 July	3.20pm	Break up for summer holidays!!!!
Saturday 21 July	10.00am-2.00pm	Holy Cross Pre School Nursery Summer Fayre
Dates for Diary - September 2018		
Tuesday 4 September	8.50am	Return to school wearing summer uniform
Thursday 13 September	1.30pm	Year 3 start swimming lessons

***Other dates available on website**

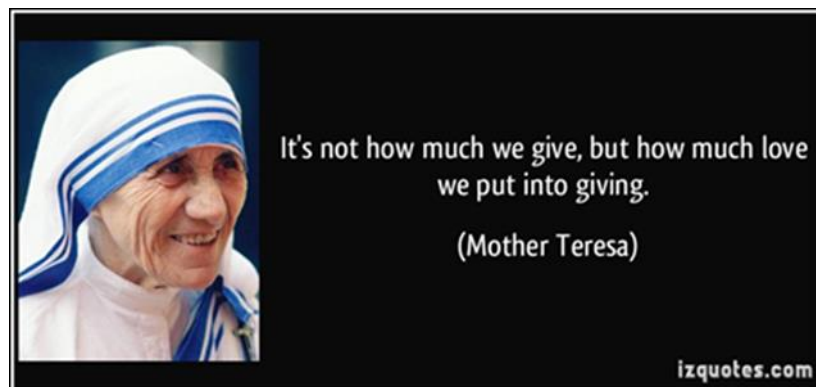
Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

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