



22.6.2024

Dear Parents,

Just under four weeks to go for the children and always a very busy time.

### **First Holy Communion – Thanksgiving Mass – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 10am**

On Monday morning our First Holy Communicants will come to school dressed in their special clothes for their photographs. We will then celebrate with Fr Paul saying a special Mass prepared by Mrs Cannavan, Mrs Bold and Year 4. Mrs Morrissey, our Chair of Governors will hand out certificates to the children.

You are most welcome to join us at 10am for Mass. We all hope and pray that the children will be brought to Mass often to share in the Eucharist.

### **St Wilfrid's Church**

Each week on Sunday at the 9:15am Mass at St Wilfrid's Church there is a Children's Liturgy group. Bring your child along, they will be most welcome.

<https://www.stjohnvianney.co.uk/mass-times/>

Our Reception class visited church as part of their RE topic on Friday. Fr Paul and parishioners greeted them and talked to them about all the various parts of church. Thank you once again to St Nicholas High School for the loan of one of their mini buses. Their support means we can avoid having to book a coach and charging parents.

### **Class photographs for Reception and Year 6**

On Monday morning before Mass we will be having class photographs taken of Reception and Year 6. **Children MUST come to school in their school uniform.** The Year 6 staff have spoken to the year group about this.

### **Year 5 Activities Day**

On Monday, our Year 5 spent the day at St Nicholas having some taster lessons and a lot of fun judging by the photographs.

## **Tennis**

On Wednesday Mrs Ryan took a team of Year 3 and Year 4 children to Hartford tennis Club for some fun, games and of course tennis. Mrs Ryan was very proud of them all and they won the coveted Spirit of the Games award.

## **Parking**

Thank you to those families who have purchased tickets for the car park on St Nicholas' playground. Please contact the office should you need to buy any. Remember, the front of school is for blue badge holders only.

## **Bottle Disco**

This had to be rearranged due to the Euros and will now be on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 5:50pm – 7pm**. We hope to have it outside. Please come to the back of school through the gate to the side of the hall. Reception and KS1 children must be accompanied.

Please bring a bottle for our Summer Fair.

## **Summer Fair**

This takes place on Friday afternoon from 4pm and is an important fundraiser for our PTFA.

We have a 60ft inflatable obstacle course open to children and adults ~ sports games ~ tombolas ~ food, drink and sweet treats ~ and lots more!

We are asking for donations for our stalls which can be dropped off at school any day up to Friday 28th.

- pre-loved soft toys
- unwanted toiletry sets or unopened beauty products
- sweets and chocolates

We will be asking the children to bring in a new toy on Friday 28th for non uniform day.

If anyone would like to bake/buy cakes and donate then we would be very appreciative of those on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> too!

The summer fair is the main fundraising activity in the year and allows our PTFA to build up funds for vital equipment for the children. They could not achieve this without your amazing help and donations so please do donate what you can!

If you can spare any time to help set up in school on Friday 28th then you will be most welcome!

Thanks in advance for all your help, every contribution is greatly appreciated!

### **Personal Safety**

On Wednesday morning, our Year 6 classes had their Personal Safety session run by Judo Education. This has become an annual event for us. As our Year 6 become more independent, this session aims to give them confidence in their own ability to keep themselves safe.

### **Year 5 Class Assembly**

On Friday morning we were treated to a fabulous assembly by Year 5. They talked to us about Human Dignity, one of our Catholic Teaching Principles. They were able to share excellent examples about how we can all play our part. They were so confident and their singing was just wonderful. Thank you to Mrs Hughes and Mrs Simeone for helping the children to shine.

### **Hot Weather Forecast**

Please ensure that your child(ren) have plenty of sun cream applied before school when hot weather is forecast as it is next week. We cannot apply suncream to your child, it would take staff a long time to do a class of children and would take them away from other duties. If your child is confident applying their own, they can do that. Hats and water bottles are essential too. We had issues with sunglasses last year so say only sunglasses for the older children in KS2 and only when they are not playing sport.

### **Year 6 Transition**

Thank you so much to Teresa and the Youth Team from St John's Church in Hartford. They are great friends of our school and on Friday came in to speak to our Year 6 classes about transition to high school.

### **Year 2 Beeston Castle**

On Friday our Year 2 class had a lovely day exploring Beeston Castle. Thank you to all the staff and especially our parent helpers who looked after the children.

Have a wonderful weekend. Enjoy the fine weather.

God bless.

**Justine McEniff, Headteacher**