



St. John's RC Primary School

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Love one another, as I have loved you

Newsletter: Issue 27

Friday 10th May 2024

Head's News...

Next week is another busy week and I would ask you to keep or Superb Sixes in your thoughts and prayers as they have the opportunity to showcase how truly awesome they are. We are all so proud of the hard work, resilience and determination they have been showing and I know that they will rise to the challenge. We will be welcoming just the Year Sixes in for breakfast at 8.00am from Monday 13th to Thursday 16th May. Can they please come in through the main door, staff will be there to greet them and join them for a feed!

As the weather is due to turn in to a mini heatwave according to the press, can you please ensure that children have sun cream applied and they all bring a water bottle, with water in it – not juice, and a sun hat. Children may now wear summer uniform of: blue checked gingham dress, shirt, grey school style shorts and black school shoes (not boots or trainers).

Parent Survey

Please do complete our Parent Survey, which has gone out to you all on Parent Hub today. We work in partnership with you and we really do value and act upon your comments. It will only take five minutes to do! Click on the link: [Parents](#)

Attendance to 3rd May 2024 (we always report a week behind)

EYFS	92.7%	Year One	93%
Year Two	95.9%	Year Three	95.6%
Year Four	94.7%	Year Five	93.8%
Year Six	96.7%	Whole School	94.1%

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following people who received awards this week:

EYFS: Hazel, Jani

Year 1: Rocco, Nela, Erica

Year 2: Johaan, Zahfyre, Ahmed

Year 3: Sienna, William, Jesse,
James

Year 4: Leo, Marta, Stasiu

Year 5: Cian, Artur, Zuzanna

Year 6: John Joe, Stefan, Josi,
Alicia



House Points

Earth: 199 (3452)

Water: 162 (3556)

Air: 207 (4059)

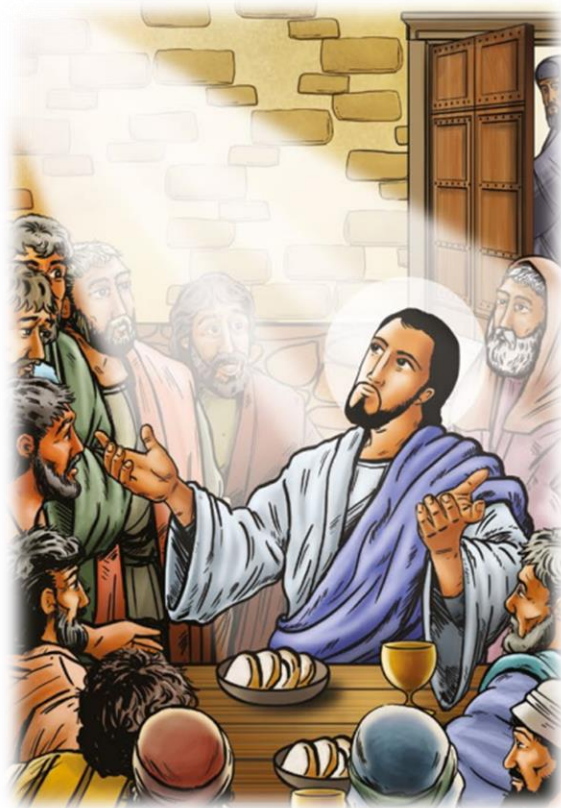
Fire: 162 (3495)

Care

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus is praying with his disciples after the last supper. Very soon, Jesus will be arrested. So before leaving them he is preparing his disciples for the difficult time to come. Jesus has cared for his followers and now he is asking God to care for them.

Jesus wants us to be united with one another and with God. We show that we are united and part of God's family when we care for each other – living and working in unity.

Pope Francis reminds us, "It is Jesus himself who continues to care for his Church. Small gestures of tenderness and care, make people feel that the Lord is with us."



**Our Governing Body
are seeking to
appoint a Parent
Governor to join
them.**

**For any parents
who are interested
in applying, or want
further information
about what the role
involves, please**

**direct any email to
office.3350@st-johns-
Banbury.oxon.sch.uk**

**The deadline for
applications is**

**Friday 7th June
2024.**

Birthdays

An important message about birthdays!!!

Children can come into school in non-uniform on their birthday. This is so wonderful as everybody within our school community who sees them will know that it is their special day. If their birthday falls on a weekend, on PE day or within a school holiday the child may come in non-uniform on the Friday before or the Monday afterwards.

This week we celebrate:

Anderinsola – 8th May

Jack – 8th May

Chukwukelo – 11th May

Olivier – 11th May



Safeguarding

If you have concerns that a child may be in immediate danger, call the police on 999 or MASH on 0345 050 7666.

If you have safeguarding concerns about a child or family, please do not hesitate to contact us on 01295 263740 and ask to speak to a member of the safeguarding team. Alternatively, you can email our DSL (Maureen Collier) directly:

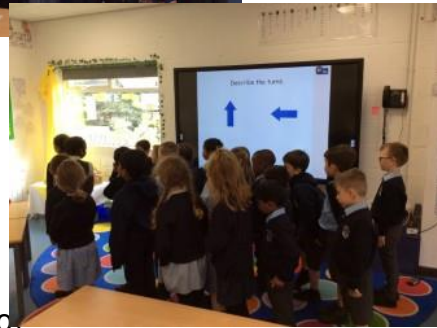
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Early Years Class News

This week Early Years have been making the most of the sunshine exploring with water- finding out whether things sink or float and building sandcastles and discovering that wet sand makes better castles than dry sand. Our garden is looking very summery with the pinks just coming into bloom and all the herbs in the kitchen garden looking extremely healthy but even so, we were so surprised to see the sunflowers we planted last week already sprouting!



We have worked so hard this week in Maths. We have continued learning about halves and quarters. We worked out a quarter of our class using the children and 4 hoops. We then shared them out equally, we had three children left over. We have continued our fraction work by describing how we can turn. We have turned in quarters, halves and full turns.



Year One Class News

Year Two Class News

To understand better the concept of ascension, Year 2 created some moving crafts, showing Jesus ascending from Earth to Heaven. There were lots of skills used and Year 2 rose to the occasion threading wool through straws and managing multiple pieces of tape. We were very pleased with our moving examples of Jesus' Ascension into heaven. Now to think of something exciting to celebrater Pentecost. I am sure they will be on fire with ideas. 🔥 😊



This week in art Year Three are print making! We are looking at the nature around us and have been taking inspiration from our beautiful woods and picked some lovely looking botanicals that we want to print!! Who knew it could be so fun!!

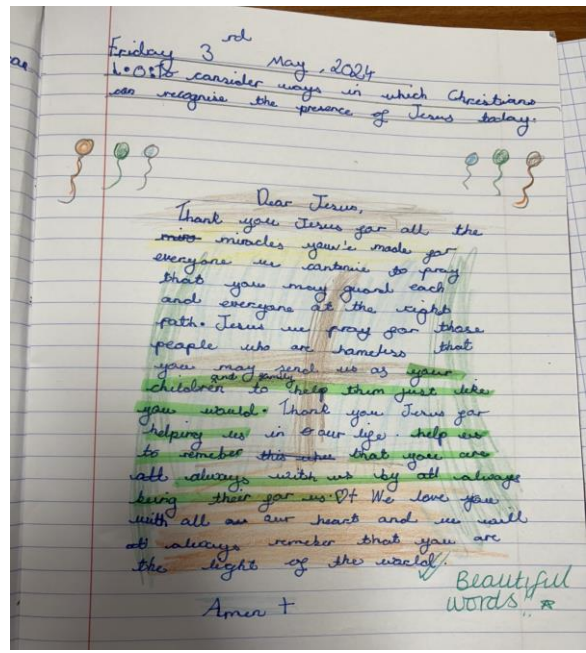


Year Three Class News

Year Four Class News

🙏❤️ THOUGHTFUL PRAYERS ❤️🙏

Year 4 have been reflecting on how we can recognise the presence of Jesus today. We have discussed some important symbols where we can recognise Jesus and written some beautiful prayers thanking Jesus for his special gift of the Holy Spirit 🕯️🙏. We have each taken time to think about how this gift helps us and others everyday.



Year Five Class News

☀️✚ JESUS' ASCENSION ✚☀️

During RE, we have been reading about the ascension of Jesus and have been imagining how the disciples must have felt to witness such a wondrous event! From diary entries and letters, we've written from varying perspectives to showcase our understanding 🖋️ We took inspiration from the scripture we have read in RE and created our own abstract interpretations of the ascension of Jesus. Care and consideration were taken when thinking about how to convey this special event - brilliant work from the budding artists in Year 5! 🎨

Year Six Class News

Year Six have had a very busy last week before SATs! We have perfected protractors in Maths and enjoyed playing "The unlucky game" to make our SPAG revision a little bit more fun. We have worked our socks off to be ready to do our best in our tests next week. As we will be sitting our SATs test in our classroom, we have had to take down any learning from our walls. Instead of the plain boards, we found time to work together to create some beautiful displays to keep our room looking inspiring and relaxed! Year 6, you have worked so hard and we know you will make us very proud next week 😊



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Key Dates

15 th April 2024	Summer Term begins and chicks arrive in EYFS
17 th April 2024	Year Five STEM Event
25 th April 2024	Year Two Cricket at BGN
30 th April 2024	Guitar demonstration for Music Lessons
2 nd May 2024	Years Three and Four Boys Football at BGN
6 th May 2024	Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
10 th May 2024	Class Photographs
13 th – 17 th May 2024	Year Six SATS week – Breakfast club
17 th May 2024	Disco led by the PTFA: EYFS and KS1 4.30pm – 5.30pm KS2 6.00pm – 7.00pm
20 th May 2024	Vision Screening – Reception Children
22 nd and 23 rd May 2024	Year Four residential trip to Youlbury
22 nd May 2024	Confirmation Mass for Year Six at 6.00pm
24 th May 2024	INSET Day – SCHOOL CLOSED
27 th May – 31 st May 2024	Half term holiday
3 ^{rs} June 2024	Summer 2 term begins – School open at 8.45am
20 th June 2024	Year Three Multi-skills at BGN
5 th July 2024	Sports Day at 1.15pm and Summer Fayre after
8 th – 12 th July 2024	Space Week

As a Catholic School in the Archdiocese of Birmingham, we have embraced the Catholic Schools' Pupil Profile, which teaches the children a set of eight pairs of virtues to be internalised and cultivated - enabling them to grow in wholeness as fully rounded individuals in the image of God. This half term we are:

Eloquent and Truthful

Eloquent: the ability to speak or write fluently, persuasively and appropriately. We are eloquent when we use language to express our ideas or opinions clearly and with conviction. When we choose our words, we should do so carefully so they are kind and compassionate, and don't hurt others.

Truthful: God wants us to be truthful in all we do. Jesus said, 'I am the way, the truth and the life', so being honest and truthful means we are following in his footsteps and living life the way God wants us to. Being truthful is being faithful to ourselves and to Jesus. We should stand up for the truth.

