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HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

I hope you enjoyed the half term break and were able to take advantage of the good weather.

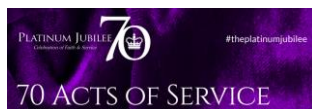
INTERNATIONAL MASS

Thank you to Fr Tom for celebrating our International Mass with us yesterday. It was wonderful to come together as a whole school community and be united in diversity. Many children read mass parts in other languages and some children wore traditional dress for the Mass. It was also lovely to see so many parents join us.

YEAR 3 SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATION MASS

On Thursday 23 June at 9:15am, the Year 3 children will be celebrating their Sacramental journey. The Year 3 children are asked to wear their special communion outfits for the Mass. Year 3 parents are also very welcome to attend the Mass.

70 ACTS OF SERVICE



Following on from the Platinum Jubilee, we have all been inspired by the service and dedication of Queen Elizabeth II. Below are ideas for 70 acts of service so that we can celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee by serving others.

<https://www.theplatinumjubilee.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Platinum-Jubilee-70-Acts-of-Service-3.pdf>

SPORTS DAY



The children had a wonderful time during the junior sports day, and we were lucky to be blessed with beautiful weather. The event started with a spectacular opening ceremony from our junior gymnastics team. We then moved onto the races where the children were such great sports. Thank you to the parents who also came along to join in the fun.



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MINI VINNIES

Our Mini Vinnies have been very active this year. Once again we have featured in the Mini Vinnies newsletter. Thank you to our Mini Vinnies and all who have supported their initiatives.

St Vincent's Catholic Primary Altrincham Dedicated to their community

The Mini Vinnies at St Vincent's Catholic Primary School have been very busy and continue to dedicate their spare time to help the local community, fundraise for charity and spread kindness.



Tackling loneliness

With social isolation and loneliness an ever-present problem in our society, the Mini Vinnies understand the importance of reaching out to the elderly and lonely in our community. So the children set about making Easter cards for the Cyril Flint Befriender charity which is an invaluable service providing support and friendship to those who need it most.

Crisp Packet Project

The Mini Vinnies decided to support the Crisp Packet Project, which involves collecting and re-using clean, flat crisp packets to create much needed blankets for homeless people. The Mini Vinnies were keen to spread awareness of the benefits of recycling one-use plastics to help our less fortunate communities.



Raising vital funds for Francis House

As Easter is such an important time in our calendar, we ordered hundreds of knitted Easter chicks and crème eggs to raise vital funds for Francis House Children's Hospice. As always, our school community was delighted to buy chicks for friends and family and all proceeds are much appreciated and provide appropriate respite and end-of-life care for children with life-limiting illnesses.



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KEEPING SAFE IN THE SUN



We have all been enjoying the lovely warm weather this week. In order to keep the children safe in the sun we ask that sun cream be applied before school. Children are welcome to apply sun cream at lunchtime too if they bring a labelled bottle. We also ask that children wear a hat outside and bring a filled water bottle to school. Please could you also ensure that jumpers and cardigans are labelled.

SCHOOL DATES

SUMMER 2

DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Thursday	23 June	First Holy Communion Celebration Mass 9:15am	Junior department hall
Friday	24 June	Parents' Reflection 9:10 am	zoom
Wednesday	29 June	Junior Saint Peter and Paul Mass: 9.30am Infant Saint Peter and Paul Mass: 9:15am	Junior hall Infant hall
Thursday	30 June	New Reception Parents' Meeting 6:15pm	Infant department hall
Friday	08 July	New reception visit Moving up session 9:15-10:15am	
Friday	08 July	Parent's reflection	zoom
Tuesday	12 July	Y2 Performance 9:30am Y6 Performance 1:30pm	Department halls
Wednesday	13 July	Y2 Performance 9:30am Y6 Performance 6:30pm	Department halls
Thursday	14 July	Y6 Performance 6:30pm	Junior department hall
Friday	15 July	End of year reports given to parents	
Friday	15 July	Y6 Leavers' Disco 6:30pm	Junior department hall



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Wednesday	20 July	Y6 Leavers' Mass 6:30pm	St Vincent's Church
Thursday	21 July	Whole School End of Year Mass 9:30am	School Field – weather permitting
Monday	25 July	Last day in school. School closes at 3:30pm	

ATTENDANCE

Each week we report attendance. Please note we do not authorise holidays in term time.

Attendance figures for week commencing 23 May:

Attendance Percentages	
Highest infant class attendance	Year 2 Mr King's class 100%
Highest junior class attendance	Year 4 Miss Campbell 98.25%
Overall school attendance	95.2%

We work in partnership with parents. Mrs Farrell, Mrs Sutton and I are very happy to answer any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harrop

Headteacher

