



HEADLINES

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MAY	
2 nd	Y3/Y2 Family Parish Mass @ 6pm
4 th	BANK HOLIDAY school closed.
5 th	Y4 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am Y1 Library Visit
6 th	Sacramental Meeting for FHC Parents at church @ 6pm.
7 th	Y5 Forest school Session please wear appropriate clothes.
8 th	Y5/6 Girls football v Lindens Home match
9 th	Year 6 Mass SATS Mass @ 6pm
11 th	SATS Week Please start bringing in plants for our prayer garden Special visitors for Year 1 Y4 Boys Football V Croft away
12 th	Y2 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am
14 th	Big School workout with Joe Wicks all classes
15 th	Y4 trip to Cadbury World 8:15am departure (Details have been sent via Arbor)
16 th	Family Parish Mass Y4/Y1 @ 6pm
17 th	Sunday Drama Rehearsal @ 9:30am
18 th	Drama Club Production Finding Nemo @ 6pm
19 th	Drama Club Production Finding Nemo @ 6pm Y6/R Mass @ Church please arrive at church @ 8:45am Y4 girls football v Delves away
20 th	Reception Y6 Heights & Weights Celebration Assembly @ 9am
21 st	St Anne's Feast Day Celebration and May procession Details via Arbor
22 nd	Journey Through Time Day Arbor message next week
JUNE	
1 st	Return to school after half term Lunchtime Boxing Club Y6 Laches Wood Zoom 7pm 848 6960 3483 passcode 8032812nd
2 nd	BCSS Athletics @ Alexander Stadium Y5 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am
6 th	Family Parish Mass @ 6pm Y3 FHC Preparation



The word is **Trust**. How can we show our trust in the Lord? Try to think of concrete examples.

**Tuesday 5th May Y4 Mass @ Church.
No Wednesday Mass in school this week.**



Headteacher Message

At the end of last week, our new website was launched and it went officially live over the weekend. This was a week earlier than anticipated, so staff are currently populating their class pages. The school diary dates have now been uploaded to the end of the academic year. We hope that you will find the calendar more user friendly as there are links to specific classes.

We believe that the website showcases St. Anne's its pupils and ethos and we are very happy with it. It will continue to evolve and develop over the next few weeks and months, should you have any suggestions then please email postbox@st-annes.walsall.sch.uk

The weather has been glorious this week and I hope that (whatever your bank holiday plans are), you have a wonderful weekend and perhaps enjoy some sunshine too. May is National Walk to school month, so we would encourage you to, (if possible) walk to school. Thank you to St. Francis High School for a wonderful session with Year 4 yesterday - it was very special.

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Nursery This week at nursery, we enjoyed the story "*Maisy Goes Shopping*." We learned that a shopping centre is a place with lots of different shops all together. The children had fun playing shop, taking turns to be shoppers and shopkeepers. We also used food magazines to make our own supermarkets, choosing and organising items to sell. **Mr Johnston Mrs Lingwood and the Nursery Team**

Reception We've had a wonderful start to our new unit 'Exploring God's World in Spring'. We were "Spring Detectives" on a spring walk around the school grounds on Tuesday looking for signs of new life. Back in class the children have enjoyed our new role play corner 'Camping in the Woodlands' - especially being in the tent and using the barbecue to toast marshmallows! The children have also started learning about different birds they can see in the bird watching hide using the binoculars they made. On Monday the children had their first dance lesson with Mrs Swann and were good at following instructions. Look out for videos in a few weeks time!

Mrs Turley and the early years team.

Year 1. We are having so much fun at the moment! Year 1 had so much interest and enthusiasm with Miss Knott for making magic potions for their magic beans this week. They loved it! What are they hoping the magic potion will do now? They also had fun playing hopscotch with Miss Lloyd to assist their reading of plural words and they are half way through performing their Jack and Beanstalk play! What a fun week that was! Well done to Year 1 for their beautiful Mass this week and to our fantastic readers! Please bring library cards into on Tuesday for your child's library visit on Tuesday. We won't be able to take a book out without this card. Thank you!

Mrs McCabe

Year 2 This week, Year 2 have been working hard to understand what division is, finding equal groups and answering a range of calculations. I was really impressed with your positive attitude and how you are making links to your times tables! In R.E we learnt about the symbolism on the paschal candle and we produced some lovely Easter artwork (please see Bluesky for a photo!) Thank you to everyone who will be attending church on Saturday for our family mass. Enjoy a lovely long weekend!

Miss Regan

Year 3 What a great week Year 3, it has been wonderful to watch your confidence growing in all areas of the curriculum. Thank you for all your hard work this week. It has been fantastic to get outside for some of our learning this week and we hope to build on this next week. Remember to bring in your I Belong books at the start of the week, Filip is going to work with us every Thursday afternoon as we now really focus on our sacramental preparation. We are very lucky to have Filip help us, as he continues his studies at Oscott as he trains to become a Priest in the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

Mrs Robinson and Mr Johnston

Year 4 Well done for working hard again this week Year 4. Mrs Baynham-Hughes and I were impressed again with the progress you are making in your Monday swimming lessons. Lots of you are practising new swimming strokes or improving your technique. Well done! Everyone has been really engaged in our new class text, *Anglo-Saxon boy*. We have enjoyed reading the first few chapters and writing our own prologues and persuasive speeches this week. On Thursday, we were lucky to be invited to St. Francis of Assisi College to take part in a Vocations workshop. We loved seeing the chapel and we were all really proud of how well you behaved. Well done! Have a great weekend.

Miss Jones

Year 5 What a great week we have had Year 5! It started with a trip to Wolverhampton University on Monday when you were able to show off your amazing dance to the University students. You did so well! In English this week, we have completed our Cautionary Verse poems about a child with a particularly bad habit! You threw yourself into writing these and they were fantastic - well done. We have moved on to reading the first 6 chapters of 'Holes' by Louis Sachar and you are loving the story so far. Remember, we are off on Monday for the Bank Holiday so Miss Begum will test you on your spellings on Tuesday and Tori will also be in for dance so please remember to wear PE kit. Enjoy the sunshine on the long weekend!

Mr Caddick

Year 6 What a fantastic and busy week Year 6. We have started our work on the Ancient Greeks and have been learning about Greek Warfare and the Battle of Marathon - I am really looking forward to reading your reports on how the Athenians won the battle. You have been working so hard on reviewing and revising all maths skills and formula and thus is really starting to pay off. Just a last push on learning the grammar word classes and you will be ready to smash it!

Miss Keedwell

Headteacher Awards

Nursery	Ada & Lachlan
Reception	Jacob & Joel
Year 1	James & Arthur
Year 2	Jamie & Rio
Year 3	Archie & Harper
Year 4	Thomas & George
Year 5	Emily & Skylar J
Year 6	Monaza, George & Kacey

Congratulations all, you will receive your certificates in assembly on Tuesday.

Learn its Movers

Year 1	Eloise & Hudson
Year 2	Eshan, Eadie, Albert & Frankie
Year 3	Rupert, Anna, Louis and Rogan (x2)
Year 4	None this week

TTRS - Rock Legends

Honor, Ted, Emilia, Ronnie



Sporting Achievements this year.

Don't forget to tell us about your out of school achievements. Email Mrs Baynham-Hughes on

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Year Group	Achievement
Nursery	Saoirse got her Ducking One award in swimming
Y1	Rocky achieved his grey and white belt in Brazilian jiu jitsu
Y1	Hudson earned his stage 3 and 10m swimming badges
Y1	Rae earned her Grade One Award in Swimming
Y2	Lewis won the player of the tournament for Veseyans at the Sutton Coldfield tournament
Y4	Olive scored her first goal for Burntwood Phoenix
Y4	Daisy and Honor have reached the football cup final for Ace Miami

Sportsmanship Award of the week.

Erin (Y6) for having fantastic morals not just with her peers but with children from other schools.

Erin, I was so proud of you when I heard this - Mrs Johnston - well done.

This half term our Catholic Social Teaching is Stewardship and looking after God's planet.



Caring for God's gifts

Stewardship

Sofia the sloth's story

Sofia often sleeps in her favourite tree within a National Park forest.

One day a big machine woke her up and started chopping down the trees. She joins some of the others who call the forest home, to stop the illegal logging.

She reminds the operators that these trees need to be cared for like the rest of God's creation.

From Sofia's story we find out that we need to be caring for the many gifts that God has given to us. These include our environment, our own talents and other resources.





In Eastertide I sometimes feel unsure about how to move forwards. It can be hard to keep the good habits I've built during Lent and to stay close to God without the structure of the season.

But just as Jesus comforts the disciples in this passage, I feel he also comforts me. He reminds us to trust him when things feel uncertain. He encourages us to keep doing his works. It shows me that my goals don't end with Easter, but they continue and grow.

Because of this, the passage helps me to look at my path and the world around me differently. Jesus tells the disciples that his work will carry on through them, and that speaks to us now too.

When I see conflict, injustice or fear in the news, I remember that God is still present in those places. With this, I'm encouraged to bring the peace and courage I've been practising throughout Lent into the everyday situations around me. In this way, the spirit of Lent becomes something steady in my daily life.

Prayer

Lord,
help me to trust in you
when my heart feels troubled.
Guide me in your way each day.
Amen

Stewardship Prayer

Loving God and Father of all, Thank you for the gift of this wonderful world. Help us to notice each day the beauty of your creation, and to care for all of your animals, insects, fish, birds and plants. Encourage us to work with our sisters and brothers everywhere, so that together we can protect the world you made for us- the home all of your children share. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Building the Kingdom

How can Mary be a role model for us today?

Create a picture of Mary, using any medium to depict her during any aspect of her life. Try to make a connection with our lives in this modern world. You have until the end of the half term to complete the project.

We look forward to displaying them.



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**Thank you for your support
Now that the weather is improving and fuel
prices keep rising, why not try to walk to
school when possible, saving the planet and
your pocket.**