



HEADLINES

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JUNE	
20 th	First Holy Communion @ 11am and 1pm
22 nd	2-2:45pm EYFS Online Safety Workshop
23 rd	St Johns Ambulance in KS2
24 th	Corpus Christi Procession and FHC Celebration Y3/4 Cricket @ Streetly Cricket Club Y5 Library visit.
25 th	New to Reception (2026) parent meeting
26 th	Bottle MUFTI for Garden Party
27 th	Y5/N Family Parish Mass @ 6pm
29 th	Y6 Residential to 3 rd July
30 th	Y2/Y3 Habberly Trail Y1 Library visit Walsall SG Festival Day 9:45-2pm Y1 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am Mass @ 9am
JULY	
1 st	Y3 library visit Y5 anaphylaxis training (moved to 6 th July)
2 nd	Nursery stay & play sessions
3 rd	Nursery stay & play sessions Sweet Jar MUFTI for garden party
4 th	Summer garden Party starts with outdoor Mass @ 12noon.
6 th	Y1/Y2 Enrichment Day
7 th	Y1/Y2 Enrichment Day Y6/Reception Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am Mass @ 9am
8 th	Nursery visit to Alpaca Farm Y6 Library visit Y5 Mass @ School @ 9am Bikeability Y6
9 th	Stay & Play for reception 2026 9:15am IRock concert Bikeability Y6
10 th	2:45pm Stay & Pray session for all year groups
11 th	Family Parish Mass for special friends @ 6pm Mr Cash providing live music
13 th	End of year Reports to parents Y6 Invite a relative to lunch 6pm Y6 Performance
14 th	Y6 transition Day @ St Francis



The word is **Courage**. Let us always have the courage to do the right thing, even when it is difficult.

Tuesday 23rd June No Mass @ church
Wednesday 24th June Whole School Mass followed by Corpus Christie Procession.
Saturday 20th June 11am and 1pm First Holy Communion.



Headteacher Message

Wow what a finish to our week. We all came together today as a whole school community and enjoyed a wonderful Sports Day. The weather was incredible, and we were all able to have fun, spend time with our families and create some life-long memories (we hope).

My thanks to all the staff who ensured the smooth running of the event. Thank you for ensuring a wonderful event for all. The PTA and the extended members who gave so freely of their time to make today special, providing much needed refreshment, particularly the ice-creams. Thank to Mr George for operating the PA system, it does make a difference having such a great set up.

Thank you to Mr Meakin and Mr Spencer for all their hard work behind the scenes to make the event work so smoothly.

Thank you to all our pupils who ran with determination, joy and most importantly with wonderful sportsmanship - I'm so incredibly proud of you all.

My final thanks goes to our Sporting Champion Mrs Baynham-Hughes, thank you for organising everything not just today but in the weeks leading up to it. In addition, thank you for all your hard work during Sports Week to make sure every child in school was given a chance to participate in some activity. There are days when I just say **WOW ST ANNE'S YOU ARE ALL AWESOME.**

We look forward to celebrating First Holy Communion with our Year 3 pupils tomorrow, please keep them in your prayers. Finally, Happy Fathers' Day to all those special dads, we hope you have a great day. Have a super weekend.

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Nursery This week our story focus has been *The Singing Mermaid*. The children enjoyed listening to the story and talking about the different characters. We explored life under the sea and shared our favourite parts of the book. The children also enjoyed creating their own mermaids and using paint to print colourful scales. We are very proud of everyone for taking part in Sports Day. The children had lots of fun joining in with the races and games and showed great teamwork and enthusiasm. Well done, everyone!

Mr Johnston Mrs Lingwood and the Nursery Team

Reception Wow Reception! What a Sports Day! You really were truly magnificent and really tried your best. - I am incredibly proud of all your amazing efforts and sportsmanship. The children started the week with preparations for Father's Day. The children have been busy doing secret things in class! They've watched a variety of Bedtime Stories on CBeebies that have had the theme of Fathers, made cards and gifts for our dads and learned a wonderful Father's Day song. Then on Wednesday we celebrated Travelling Ted's birthday. Instead of giving the children sweets, he bought the children caterpillars and ladybirds. The children have been fascinated with keeping a close eye on their growth. Happy Father's Day to all the important men in our lives.

Mrs Turley and the early years team.

Year 1. A brilliant week in Year 1. You have all worked so hard this week and should be very proud of the work you have produced. Forest school was a real highlight this week with bug hunts, shelter building and potion making. Well done for a fantastic effort today in Sports Day, you all ran with fantastic determination and showed great sportsmanship cheering on your classmates. Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs McCabe

Year 2 Nice work this week Year 2! We have enjoyed starting to read *The Tear Thief* in English and are really intrigued to find out what will happen next in the story. You were great listeners, and I really enjoyed reading your diary entries. In Geography, we went on a walk around our local area to spot urban and rural features- not forgetting a little brain break in the park! What a brilliant end to the week with everyone participating in sports day. You all put your best effort in and most importantly had fun! Have a lovely weekend gifting your lovely Father's Day cards.

Miss Regan

Year 3 What a busy week year 3 have had. We have been practising for Our First Holy Communion and been so respectful and reverent at church on these occasions. We have worked with the students to plant and observe seeds in Science and learnt about Elizabeth 1st and Henry 8th in History. On top of that we have been practising for sports day and had a wonderful day on the field participating and watching our friends too. Next Wednesday we have our Corpus Christi Mass. It will be followed by a fun day so children may bring in a non electrical game or toy that is of a sensible size. Reminder that we have finished our weekly spelling tests now for year 3. Many thanks for your help in preparing the church and the children for Saturday.

Mrs Robinson and Mr Johnston

Year 4 Well done for working hard again this week Year 4. We have nearly finished *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* and have often been at the edge of our seats wanting to read more! We have been recapping telling the time in our maths starters and have become much more confident counting in fractions on a number line. In science, we enjoyed learning about the water cycle and creating our own diagrams to explain what happens. We even got creative in computing on Thursday and used the micro:bits to create our own dice to play board games. Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Miss Jones

Year 5 You have done yourselves proud this week, Year 5! I have been so impressed with your attitude during assessment week this week. You have worked very hard and given your all - that's all we can ask of you. Just one more test on Monday (Grammar and Spelling) and then I can give you your results! The week ended with another fantastic Sports Day. Thank you to parents for your support as always and well done to everyone for your efforts in the hot weather today. Only four weeks to go in Year 5 - let's make it four good ones. Have a lovely weekend. Remember to practise your spellings for a test on Monday.

Mr Caddick

Year 6 A very busy week of publishing and writing in Year 6 this week. From the start of the year until now the progress of your work has been astounding and I am so proud of you all. We have also been applying our maths skills by completing maths mysteries, using a variety of maths concepts and skills to solve problems and solve the mystery. We have also started on our end of year performance. This is going to be a very busy few weeks in year 6

Miss Keedwell

Headteacher Awards

Nursery:	All of Nursery
Reception:	Gabriel, Jacob & Oscar
Year 1:	Hudson & Scarlett
Year 2:	Riley & Mia
Year 3:	All of Y3
Year 4:	Sophia & Charlotte
Year 5:	Alexander & Simran
Year 6:	Kaelan & Oliver B

Learn its Movers

Year 1:	
Year 2:	
Year 3:	
Year 4:	Thomas, Louie, Tyler, Freddie, Aluna

TTRS

Rock Hero - Lola B



Roll of Honour

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
Y1	Rory - was awarded his white and yellow belt in kickboxing
Y2	Francesca - completed the 1-mile children's race in the Aldridge 10k road race on Sunday
Y4	Florence - 1 st place in bar, floor and vault and 2 nd place on beam. Overall winner. She has also received a distinction in her tap exam!
Y4	Lola B - earned players' player, coaches' player and parents' player of the year award for Burntwood.
Y4	Freddie - earned his black and white belt in karate
Y6	Elisabeth - completed the 1-mile children's race in Aldridge on Sunday
Y6	George - won his football tournament with Sutton Coldfield, captaining his side to victory against three other teams.

Sportsmanship of the week award

Mrs Baynham-Hughes, who organised an amazing sports day for our whole school community - what a success!!

In addition, for National Sports Week, she organised: football, golf, field events and made sure that every child in school had a chance to enjoy some activity this week. Thank you Mrs B!!! We love you for everything you do for us.



Y6 vs Croft

The Y6 boys put the defeat against Lindens to bed with a 2-1 victory against Croft Academy. They played some lovely passing football in the second half, playing out from the back and keeping the ball on the floor. Fantastic individual goal from Archie and a great strike from James to start us off. If this is the last game for St Anne's, you did yourselves and the school very proud! You really are a talented group of boys and it's been a pleasure to watch you develop as a team over the years.

Y5/6 Girls Walsall Girls Final

Congratulations to the girls on coming runners up in the Walsall Schools Finals at Bescot Stadium. The sheer noise you made when you were told you came 2nd will stay with me for a long time. Some fantastic goals were scored throughout the day but the moment of the day was Reeva diving to her left to tip the ball round the post to earn us a very vital draw. It was so lovely to see the girls celebrate that save just as much as they did with the goals that were scored throughout the day.



Sports Day Field Events

This week children across all years of our school have been competing in our field events as part of our extended sports day. They participated in throwing, jumping speed bounces and the favourite one by far..... Welly Wanging. Congratulations to St Matthew (RED) who were overall winners.

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House	St Mark	St John	St Matthew	St Luke
Points Scored	76	73	77	71

This half term our Catholic Social Dignity of work and rights for workers. Taking Part



Taking part

Participation

Patariki the penguin's story

Once every year the penguins come together to a sports festival. Patariki is in charge of making sure that everyone takes part.

Different breeds of penguin join in, Little Blues, Fjorordland crested and Yellow eyed. The events include sprint races, diving, synchronised swimming, shark racing, sand digging and fish eating!

Patariki loves it when everyone takes part. There is nothing better than watching a crowd of penguins cheer for everyone and having fun all together. Those who feel they need support are always given the help they need to participate and enjoy themselves.

When we listen to Patariki's story we are reminded that we live in community with others, growing together. It is important that we join in.





Based on the gospel for Sunday 21 June, Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Matthew 10:26-33

"Have no fear"

Christ's words in today's gospel, call us to have courage and speak out boldly against the many injustices experienced by so many of our sisters and brothers around the world. This might seem daunting, but we are reassured we are not alone, Our Lord will be with us.

This passage from Matthew's Gospel, reminds me of the words at the start of the film JFK: "To sin by silence when we should protest makes cowards out of men."

St Oscar Romero would not be silenced. Undeterred even by death threats, he continued his bold preaching, courageously speaking out and protesting against injustice, though this ultimately cost him his life. Shortly before his assassination, he told a journalist, "if they kill me, I will rise again in the Salvadoran people."

St Oscar's deep commitment to people living in poverty and passionate belief in justice continues to inspire us today. In the face of so many challenges faced by communities around the world, we can pray, campaign for change, sign petitions, lobby MPs, march in protest - to tackle root causes of inequality and injustice, to bring about long-term change.

Minutes before his assassination while celebrating Mass, St Oscar said, "It's important not to love ourselves so much that we're not willing to take the risk that history demands of us". Let us not be silent, may we speak out as best we can, to try to make a difference.

Lord, we give thanks for St Oscar Romero and for all those who work to amplify the voices of those who struggle to be heard. May we be inspired to speak out for change, guided and strengthened by the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Please pray for Michael Flower as he prepares for his ordination to the Diaconate.

O God, who have taught the ministers of your church to seek not to be served but to serve, their brothers and sisters, grant, we pray, that these servants, whom you graciously choose for the office of Deacon, may be effective in action, gentle in ministry, and constant in your prayer.

Building the Kingdom

Who are our Male role Models and Why?

We would love to display in our dining hall your male role model projects, who are the male people that you admire and why? You can present your project in any format, remember be creative and use your talents. There will be prizes for all key stages.

Livesimply



We've made some progress and now we need to keep pushing! Last year, the Jubilee Year, we joined with others around the world to call for urgent action on the debt crisis that's having a devastating impact on low-income countries, and world leaders heard us.

Many have agreed that action is needed, but we need concrete steps, not just words. Please sign our petition to the Prime Minister now, and help us call for a debt system that is fair, and works for everyone. Please click on the link below

[Tackle the global debt crisis now](#)

Your voice can make a difference.



The piety shop at Church has a large selection of First Holy Communion items.

- Cards
- Bibles
- Prayer books
- Medals
- Rosary Beads

Please pop along when Church is opened to view this wide selection of gifts. Please pass this information to family and friends as many will wish to purchase items to mark this special occasion.