



HEADLINES

JUNE	
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
2 nd	Nursery (2026) Stay & Play Session
3 rd	Nursery (2026) Stay & Play Sweet Jar MUFTI
4 th	Summer Garden Party starts with Mass at 12 noon Garden Party 1 - 4pm ending with our Colour Run
6 th	School Nursing service Transition workshop with Y6 pupils and Allergies and reactions with Y5 pupils
7 th	Y6/Rec Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am
8 th	Nursery trip to Alpaca Farm Y5 Mass in School @ 9am Bikeability Y6 Y6 Library visit
9 th	I Rock Concert @ 9:15am Y6 Bikeability Stay & Play New Reception 2026
10 th	2:45pm Stay & Pray Session Whole School please join us if you can.
11 th	Final Special Friends Family Parish Mass @ 6pm please join us to give thanks and say goodbye
13 th	Invite a relative to Lunch Y6 Reports to parents Y6 Performance @ 6pm
14 th	Y6 transition to SFA Y4 Visit to SFA - Cooking (arbor details via Miss Jones)
15 th	Y4 Library visit Drama Trip Matilda @ Hippodrome
16 th	9am Celebration Assembly Y6 Cultural afternoon Streetly
17 th	9am Whole School Mass and Leavers Day
18 th	Ordination of Michael Flower @ St. Chad's Cathedral
September	
1 st & 2 nd	INSET DAYS

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The word is **Faith**. Let us be assured and have faith that God walks with us in all that we do.

Tuesday 30th June Y1 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am Mass @ 9am
 Wednesday 1st July No Mass @ School
 Saturday 27th June Family Parish Mass Y5/N @ 6pm.



Headteacher Message

Wow well that was a scorcher! This week saw staff being creative and inventive in finding ways to keep our children cool. We had children's trays as foot baths, water trails, paddling pools and of course lunchtime water play. Certain staff threw themselves into the cooling down games with great enthusiasm, not naming anyone: Mrs Turley, Nursery Team, Mr Johnston and of course the Queen of water Mrs Baynham-Hughes. The children have had the best fun ever, it has been heartwarming to see them 'belly laughing,' with the joy of simple fun. Thank you to my team Year 5 who were excellent delivering Ice pops to every year group for me, making sure that everyone's needs were met. Thank you to all those parents who went out of their way to thank staff for keeping their children cool whilst having the best fun ever. Your kind words really do make such a difference especially when we are all hot and bothered.

Congratulations to our Year 3 pupils and their families, they received the Eucharist for the first time on Saturday, both Masses were prayerful reverent wonderful blessings for all. Thank you to everyone in school for the preparation of the children, particularly Mrs Robinson. Have a great weekend, looking forward to a great week next week with Year 6 at Laches Wood.

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Nursery This week at nursery, we loved sharing our story of the week, *The Smeds and the Smoos*. The children had lots of fun talking about the different aliens and used their creativity to make some fantastic alien pictures and models. We also enjoyed some exciting water play outside, splashing in the paddling pool and running through the sprinkler. There were lots of giggles and happy smiles as the children played together and kept cool in the sunshine!

Mr Johnston Mrs Lingwood and the Nursery Team

Reception What a week! The children in Reception have been truly magnificent in coping in the extreme weather - possibly better than the adults. There have been positive attitudes and continued learning. We've had fun exploring our beach corner and shared many fish themed stories. The creativity the children showed designing their own Rainbow Fish was wonderful. We finally finished Level 3 in Phonics and the children are excited to begin the challenge of Level 4. Well done everyone for working hard to learn to read - you really are becoming good readers

Mrs Turley and the early years team.

Year 1. A great week in Year 1. We have been so impressed with how well you have coped in the heat. We have had a lot of fun and I'm so glad that you have all enjoyed it. The joy on all your faces was brilliant. A highlight of the week was our science experiment where we tested different materials to see if they were waterproof. You all worked brilliantly as a team to test all the different materials, maybe you could tell someone at home the name of the material we thought was best. Have a great weekend.

Mr Johnston, Mrs McCabe and Team

Year 2 It has been lovely to see everyone so excited to come into school this week! Despite the heat you have all had lots of fun (lunchtime water play has been a firm favourite!) and kept us calm in the classroom. In Maths, we have been exploring time- starting with o'clock, half past and then quarter past and quarter to. See if you can have a practise at home to show off what you have learnt. Next Tuesday, we look forward to our school trip to Habberley Trail- don't forget your packed lunch! Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Miss Regan

Year 3 Well done Year 3 on a fantastic week even though it has been really hot. We enjoyed our party day on Wednesday and showed how we have really matured, playing nicely and fairly with the toys we brought in from home. On Tuesday we have our school trip and look forward to an amazing day out. Thank you again for the gifts and all the support for First Holy Communion.

Mrs Robinson and Mr Johnston

Year 4 It has been a hot week, but you have all worked very hard Year 4- well done! This week we made the most of the heat for our science investigation where we looked at how solids change into liquids. We loved observing the different solids on our plates and watching them melt in the sun. Have a look at our photos on Facebook. We have finished Charlie and the chocolate Factory and are looking forward to writing our character descriptions next week. On Thursday, we enjoyed spending our golden time playing some board games with our friends. I was really impressed watching you play so nicely together and lots of you played with some different children which was lovely to see. Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Jones

Year 5 It's been a hot week this week, hasn't it? I have been very impressed with how well you have coped with the heat though Year 5. We have managed to get lots of lessons completed and have found time to watch 'Holes' after finishing reading the book on Wednesday. You have loved keeping cool in the water play sessions at lunchtime and dunking your feet in cold water in the afternoon. I'll never forget the smell of foot water! I have loved teaching some of our lessons outside this week and taking advantage of the sunny but cooler mornings. Enjoy your weekend, whatever you're doing, and I will see you on Monday ready for a week of more normal temperatures!

Mr Caddick

Year 6 Year 6 - I am so proud of you all. On Sports' Day you were all fantastic ambassadors for the school, supporting the teachers and children from all classes and making sure that the whole day went very smoothly. On Tuesday your written work was externally moderated and the ladies who visited were amazed by the quality of your writing and the overall standard and now you're taking on the enormous challenge of trying to rehearse a summer performance in a very short timeframe. We have a ridiculously busy final 3 weeks ahead: a weeklong residential, bikeability days, transition days, school special lunches and preparation for leavers' day too. Please keep up your outstanding attitudes and behaviour over the next 15 school days.

Miss Keedwell

Learn its Movers

Year 1: Elijah
Year 2: Mia & Daniella
Year 3: Keira, Ben, Alfie, Gracie, Rupert,
Ruby, Reuben. Moved twice Teddy and Louis
Year 4:

Headteacher Awards (given on 6th July)

Nursery: Lachlan & Joshan
Reception: Leon, Marissa & Sofia
Year 1: Ella L & Sienna
Year 2: Elowen & Theo Ril
Year 3: Spencer & Santiago
Year 4: Thomas & Frederic
Year 5: Skyler P & Rory
Year 6: All of Year 6

TTRS

Rock Hero : Olive



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
Reception	Kasper earned his yellow and white belt in karate
Y1	Hudson won his yellow belt in karate
Y1	Lara won the triple threat award for her drama work
Y4	Henry earned his brown karate belt and also got golfer of the week
Y4	Grace won best newcomer at her drama club.
Y4	Lola B won the ENG Midlands Cup with Sutton Town
Y4	Daisy has trialled for Birmingham City and has been offered a place.
Y4	Well done to Lola and Honor who trialled for Walsall FC and have both been offered a place

Sportsmanship of the week award

Sportsperson Award - Emily B Y5 - for happily sharing her water toys with other members of the school during our water breaks this week.



Pictured are our sports team who represented school at Alexander Stadium . They had the opportunity to participate in an Athletics competition, competing against 10+ Catholic primary schools from across Birmingham. This week they received their trophies. Finishing second overall in the competition and the boys team also finished 2nd overall. This achievement cannot be underated, we are a small school, but our talent is BIG. Thank you to Mrs Baynham-Hughes and Mr Caddick for taking the team to this great event. What a memory to have, participating at a venue where world class athletes perform.

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



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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 28 June, Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Matthew 16:13-19

"And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

It is significant that Peter's acknowledgement of Jesus as the Christ, which comes immediately before the commission quoted here, was in response to Jesus' question, "who do you say I am?" (Matthew 16:15).

We all have a calling from God - sometimes we have multiple callings within the complex fabric of our lives. Any calling we do receive comes as God's response to our personal engagement with who Jesus is for *us*, not for anybody else. Where is our giftedness most apparent?

At the Mass of Inauguration of his Petrine Ministry a year ago, Pope Leo XIV said that "the ministry of Peter is distinguished precisely by self-sacrificing love". In a world "that exploits the Earth's resources and marginalises the poorest", he called the Church to be a leaven of unity, communion and fraternity.

The Pope's words give an indication of what he thinks the "gates of hell" might concretely represent in our world today, guiding us in our individual callings. How do we practically care for those who are poor and for the environment? How are we a leaven of unity, communion and fraternity? How is our action self-sacrificing? I do not find these questions easy to answer, but that is the point.

Lord, guide us as we meditate on our calling to be better disciples, and help us to identify the space where our deepest hungers meet the hunger of the world.

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. Please bring in by Monday 29th June.

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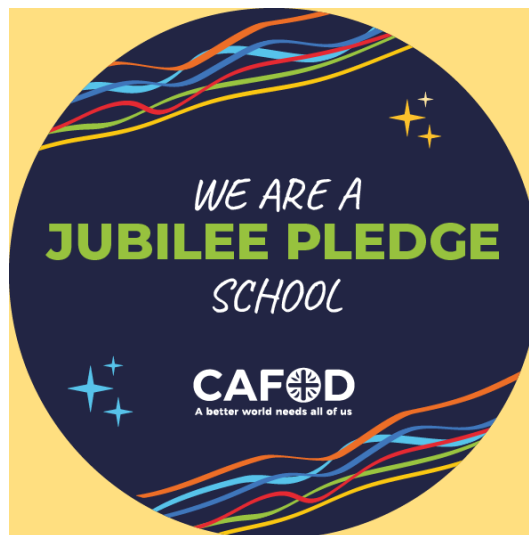


We've made some progress and now we need to keep pushing! Last year, the Jubilee Year, we joined with others around the world to call for urgent action on the debt crisis that's having a devastating impact on low-income countries, and world leaders heard us.

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.



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ST. TERESA OF AVILA

