



HEADLINES

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The word is **Companion**. This week we are reminded that we always have Jesus as a friend and companion, he walks beside us.

JULY	
4 th	<p>Summer Garden Party starts with Mass at 12 noon. Please join us as Fr. Gwil starts the day's events with an outdoor Mass.</p> <p>Garden Party 1 - 4pm ending with our Colour Run</p>
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
3 rd	All pupils (exc. Nursery Return to school) @ 8:30am
7 th	Nursery pupils phased start.
IMPORTANT DATES	
<p>14th October Y5 residential. 5th November Y6 Confirmation. 7th June Y6 Residential. 19th June FHC Y3 1st July Y5 to Walsingham.</p>	

Tuesday 7th July Y6/Rec Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am

Wednesday 8th July Y5 Mass in school
Saturday 4th July Open air Mass at 12 noon on the school field please join us.



Headteacher Message

I cannot believe how quickly the week has flown by, being on residential will do that. Year 6 you have been incredible, what a privilege to be with you and watch you 'grow' through this experience. From the nerves on the first day/night to the super confident, outgoing young people you were by Friday. I have received so many compliments from the instructors on site, Miss Keedwell and I are so incredibly proud of you. You are a credit to yourselves, St Anne's and most importantly your parents. You are now ready to take the next step.

I'm glad it was cooler in school for everyone this week and it has been great to see (via facebook), everything that has been happening at school, from trips to sporting events.

Saturday, sees our largest fundraising event of the academic year, our Garden Party. We hope that all of you will come along and join us. There will be lots of fun and games, including Aston Villa foundation, football target game and of course the COLOUR RUN. This year for the first time we will start with a Mass (this is your Sunday obligation) on the school field at 12 noon. Please join us as we start our day in celebration. I will unveil the drawings for our next WISH, putting much needed equipment on the KS2 playground. Remember every penny raised will go to fund this project.

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Nursery What a magical week we have had in Nursery! This week, we have been exploring the wonderful world of mythical creatures, and the children have loved getting creative by making fantastic dragons from cups and beautiful fairy wands. We have also spent lots of time outdoors enjoying the bikes and scooters. It has been so lovely to see the children playing so happily together, sharing, taking turns, and encouraging one another. We are all very excited for our class trip to the Alpaca farm on Wednesday!

Mr Johnston Mrs Lingwood and the Nursery Team

Reception The children had a wonderful surprise when they came to school on Monday - our butterflies and ladybirds had both hatched! The children have enjoyed spending time watching and feeding them and had mixed emotions releasing them into God's world. Our story this week was called 'The Jelly Fish Jiggle' and the children have enjoyed finding out facts about jellyfish. Ask your child what they learned. Next week it's octopus and turtles. We've also moved to Level 4 in Phonics. The children are so proud of themselves. Don't forget the Stay & Pray on Friday for an outdoor session. See you at the PTA Garden Party on Saturday.

Mrs Turley and the early years team.

Year 1. A brilliant week in Year 1. We have finished our science topic on materials, and we loved playing I Spy around the room to find different objects made out of different materials. We even managed to find some objects that had more than one material. Your work on the Gruffalo has been brilliant. You wrote some brilliant descriptions about the Gruffalo. Have a wonderful weekend - enjoy the Garden Party.

Mr Johnston, Mrs McCabe and Team

Year 2 A great week in Year 2! We had so much fun on Tuesday during our trip to the Habberley Trail. It was a pleasure to take you all and to witness everyone embracing the day and having fun with your friends. Back in class, we had a go at writing a recount of the day and you all showed great enthusiasm for this writing task and shared lots of things that you enjoyed. Next week, we look forward to our two Food Technology enrichment days. Have a lovely weekend and enjoy all the fun at our school garden party!

Miss Regan

Year 3 We had a great trip on Tuesday to the Habberley Trail. The marble runs, the giant slides, the inflatables and ball pits were all very popular. The ice cream too was also much appreciated. Thank you to all the children who behaved wonderfully. We have junk modelling on Monday for enrichment day so please bring in any cardboard boxes, tubes and egg cartons. This is the last week for reading journals, please hand them in so that I can choose the awards for the end of term. Enjoy the summer fayre.

Mrs Robinson and Mr Johnston

Year 4 We've had another great week. On Monday, we enjoyed our enrichment day focusing on shell structures and Year 3 and 4 made desk tidies for Winnie the Witch. This week, we have been working hard to add and subtract fractions. We have done lots of work on synonyms in English and have used them to write about the Oompa Loompa's from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. On Tuesday, we had a great time observing how sound travels using string telephones. We loved using them to send messages to our partners on the field. Finally, we have been learning about Queen Victoria in History and loved writing some questions to use for our hot seating activity. Have a great weekend!

Miss Jones

Year 5 It's been a little cooler in class this week Year 5 and you have taken full advantage! We started the week by spending two days in Year 6's classroom as they're off on residential. It was great for you to see what it'll be like in there next year. Our major project this year has been writing our reports about yellow-spotted lizards from the book 'Holes'. This is our final piece of written work that we will write up in our publishing books in Year 5 and you have produced some excellent pieces to be proud of. I also judged your Space project homework this week. Well done to the winners - the overall winners will receive their prizes soon. Have a great weekend.

Mr Caddick

Year 6 What an absolutely fantastic week at Laches Wood Year 6. I am so proud of all of you - you faced fears, learnt new skills, worked well as a team and supported each other throughout the week. Thank you for making it so special. Now you need to make sure that you learn all your script lines for the performance and the words to the songs - you can do it Year 6!

Miss Keedwell & Mrs Johnston

Learn its Movers

Year 1: Amber
Year 2:
Year 3:
Year 4:

Headteacher Awards (given on 6th July)

Nursery: Milo W & Hattie
Reception: Asher, Isaac & Syun
Year 1: Connie & Charlie
Year 2: Lewis & Frankie
Year 3: Isla & Alfie
Year 4: Sienna & Ashton
Year 5: Caleb & Lilly
Year 6: All of Year 6

TTRS

Rock Hero :



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
Y4	Louie - won the award for future talent at his football awards evening with Ace Academy
Y4	Anderson - scored 18 runs with 4 boundaries and 2 run outs for Streetly Cricket Club
Y6	Kacey came 4 th in Cheerleading Nationals (competing against World Champions), and the highest score of the season.
Y6	George - was awarded goal of the season in his end of season awards for Sutton Coldfield

Sportsmanship of the week award

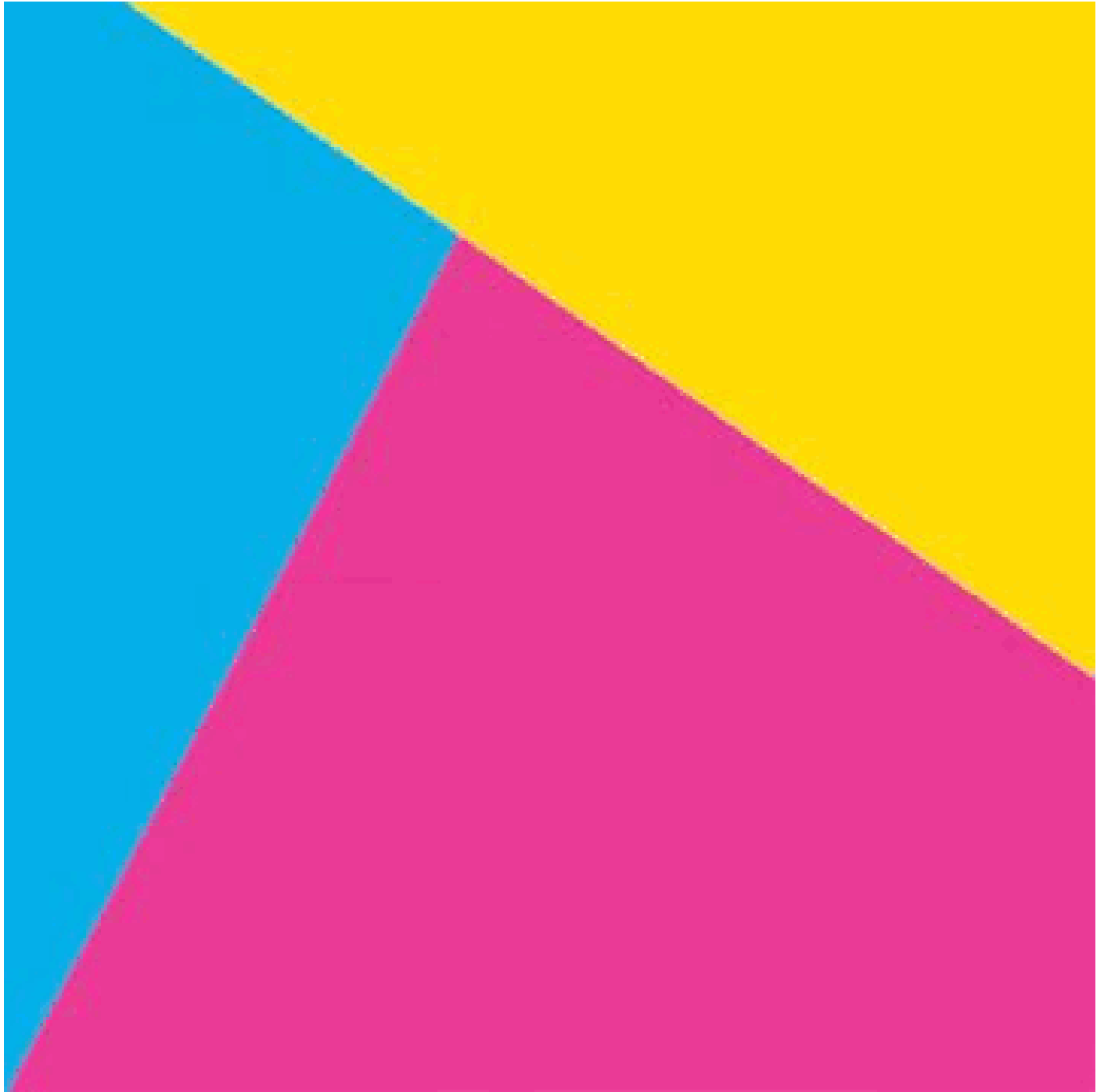
Holly/Ava/Orla and Dolly for excellent teamwork during the canoe task at Laches Woods



Y1&Y4 attended the Walsall Sports Festival over at Walsall Campus, Wolverhampton University. The Y4 girls took part in a football festival, playing against two other schools throughout the day. The year 1 children took part in a multi-skills event where they played lots of different activities from golf to archery to seated netball. Both groups were excellent ambassadors and showed a great amount of respect to the opposition. Well done to both groups.

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Thank you to the incredible Mrs Baynham-Hughes who has led a wonderful campaign to help us to achieve Platinum status. This is the first time that we have achieved this level of sporting participation and it truly is an incredible achievement for such a small school. It has involved many woman hours - thank you so very much.





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.



"Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

In this passage, Jesus invites us to come to him, promising rest for our souls, but what does this mean for us today?

With all the suffering in the world, Jesus is offering to share the burdens of humanity. In the world today we can see war, conflict, and injustice, but we may ask: where is Christ in these, sharing the burden?

Here, we may find Christ in the work done by CAFOD partners, walking alongside the communities they serve, demonstrating what hope looks like in the most challenging situations. For example, in Sudan where conflict rolls on, Church partners are providing food, safe water and vital support to families forced to flee their homes.

In this passage, Jesus invites us to learn from him and to become lowly in heart. This means choosing to follow Christ in his service to others, wherever and whenever we can.

Lord God, who sent your Son Jesus Christ to give rest to the heavy laden, grant respite to those who labour, food to those who hunger, and drink to those who thirst. Give us the grace to serve our neighbours as ourselves. We pray this in Jesus Christ's name, Amen.

Please pray for Michael Flower (our Chair of Governors) as he prepares for his ordination to the Diaconate. He will be ordained on Saturday 18th July

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



Venezuela earthquake

Give today to the DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal to help our neighbours with emergency water, food and shelter.

[DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal](#)

Above is the link for CAFOD donations to the appeal, donations will enable CAFOD to get help directly to those who need it. Thank you.

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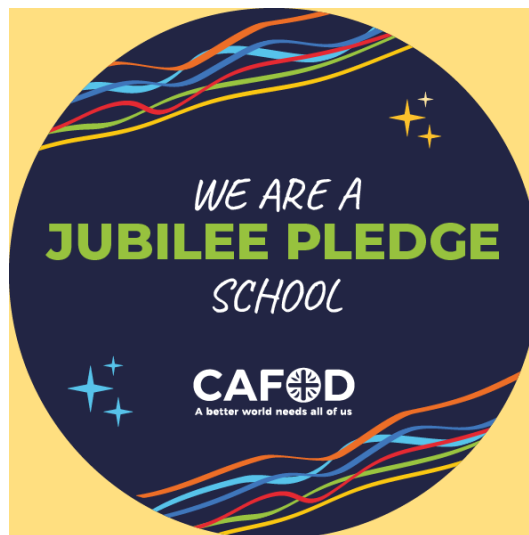


We've made some progress and now we need to keep pushing! Last year, the Jubilee Year, we joined with others around the world to call for urgent action on the debt crisis that's having a devastating impact on low-income countries, and world leaders heard us.

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

