



Dear Families,

Catholic Life of the School

This week we celebrated the feast of the Ascension with a service in school. We know that Jesus ascended back to be with His Father in Heaven after His resurrection from the dead on Easter Sunday. We spoke about the friend that Jesus said he would send to help us, the Holy Spirit, and we look forward to celebrating this at Pentecost.



Eco Club

Through their Geography work, children in Year 4 have been inspired to support and promote sustainability. They have been carrying out surveys of the school and our environment, identifying ways in which we can become more sustainable and eco-friendly as a school for the good of the environment, linking with our work on Catholic Social Teaching around stewardship of the world and caring for creation. Thank you to Mrs Trent for harnessing this enthusiasm, we look forward to seeing the positive impact we can all make.

Dacorum Families SEND Information Day Fayre on 22nd June

Please see the attached flyer for information about the SEND information day. The event will include local provider information stands, DSPL8 Parent Representatives, activities for children, refreshments & food. The Eventbrite booking link is: <https://SENDinfofayre220623.eventbrite.co.uk> and bookings will close on Eventbrite on 14.06.2023.

Hertfordshire Improvement Partner

This week we welcomed our Hertfordshire Improvement Partner (HIP) for a visit. They were pleased with the changes and progress they had seen across the school following their previous visit. They will be providing a report to staff with more detail and next steps to further improve and develop our school. Thank you to the staff for their ongoing work.

School Trips

Please look out for letters being shared at the beginning of next week with information about upcoming trips for all year groups.

Coffee Morning

Mrs Manning is keen to gauge interest in parents for a regular coffee morning for parents of children who have / may have additional needs. Please complete the short survey through the following link to express interest and find out more: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/3W5WSYF> Thank you.

Class Representatives' Meeting Minutes

Thank you to the Class Reps for their time and input and to Marie for taking the minutes. The minutes from our most recent meeting are available on the school website under letters and forms.



Marvellous Me

Please speak to your child's class teacher or the school office if you need a join code. Marvellous Me allows you to see updates about your child's learning and communication from your child's class teacher. Any updates which have already been shared on Marvellous Me will be visible to you once you sign in.

Lunchtime Activities

With the improved weather, there will be various alternative activities available outside each lunchtime including board and card games, colouring, reading, lego etc. which children are welcome to take part in.

Community News:

Tring Midsummer Fun Run

Mrs Tyldesley came in this week to speak to the school about the upcoming midsummer fun run on 21st June from 4.30pm which has been organised by Tring Running Club. £1 per pupil entry.

Hertfordshire Cheetahs Flag Football – *visiting school and providing some coaching as part of Healthy Living week*
Non-contact, introductory form of American Football for anyone keen to try the sport! Ages 7+. Please get in touch via email to book/find out more hertscheetahsaf@gmail.com

STMSA News

2023 Summer Fair & Footballathon - Friday 23 June

To make 2023 a success, we are going to need help from all our year groups. You can help in many different ways (details on our Class WhatsApp groups) - here are a list of a few things we need help with:

- Do you or your family/friends work for/own a business which might be able to donate a prize for our raffle? Please contact Denise (Y2) 07856831407 if so.
- If anyone has spare hampers please also bring them into the office.
- Bring in lucky jars, gifts for the hampers and bottles for the tombola in the week of the **12th June**. We also need some spare glass jars so please put them aside to bring too and as we're a nut free school, please avoid jars which have been used for peanut butter/Nutella etc.
- Could you collect tables from church on the Thurs eve/Fri morn (big cars needed)?
- Are you able to help on the Thursday eve including writing out raffle tickets, bagging up tokens etc)?
- We will need help setting up on the Friday from 1.30pm.
- We will need help clearing up on the Friday from 5.30pm onwards.
- Could you help manage pitches and referee in the Footballathon.
- Help on one of your year group stalls. Please let your class rep know if you are able to help.

If the majority of us can give half an hour of our time on the day, it means we all help a little and then have the rest of the time to enjoy the Fair with our children. Please do volunteer. We will all have our children with us and that's no problem.

If you have any queries or would like to volunteer, please contact Aisling (07753400989). Thank you!

Storage Shed

Now that our storage shed is set up on the school grounds to store all the necessary PTA supplies, we kindly request donations of shelving and storage boxes so that we can organise the shed when it arrives. If you have any donations, please contact Aisling.

May 100 Club Winners

1st (£100) Mike Jewell

2nd (£50) Clare Rodgers

3rd (£25) Rachel Cole

If you would like to sign up please go to <https://forms.gle/p6w6TZoL76wpEvFc7>



Calendar dates:

May

29/5/23 – 2/6/23 May Half Term

June

5/6/23 – 9/6/23 Year 6 School Residential trip

9/6/23 Nursery, Reception and Year 1 Trip to Woodside Animal Farm (*letter to follow*)

13/6/23 Year 2-6 trip to Woburn Safari Park (*letter to follow*)

15/6/23 Class Photos

19/6/23 – 23/6/23 Healthy Living Week

19/6/23 Sports Day – *parents welcome*

22/6/23 St Thomas More Feast Day Mass in school @ 9.15am – *parents and parishioners welcome*

23/6/23 **STMSA Summer Fair and Football-a-thon**

26/6/23 Reserve Sports Day

29/6/23 Mass in school for the feast of St Peter and St Paul @ 2pm - *parents and parishioners welcome*

Other Key Dates:

6/7/23 Moving up day

13/7/23 Year 6 Production @ 7pm – *parents welcome*

18/7/23 Year 6 Leavers' Mass in school @ 2pm – *parents welcome*

20/7/23 Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

21/7/23 End of term school finishes @ 1.30pm

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Lally

Assistant Headteacher



Learning to love, live and celebrate as we grow in the knowledge and love of Christ.

