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NEWSLETTER

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We strive to follow Christ example , to always do our best

Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Message

What a gloriously sunny week! Our children and staff have managed wonderfully well, working in these tropical conditions and we have done our best to keep everybody as cool as possible, well watered and sun safe. Don't forget to send your children in with their sun cream on, with their water bottle and with a hat.

Congratulations to our Year 6 pupils who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Monday evening. We were delighted to welcome Bishop David, Father Justin and, of course, Father Vitalis to St Wilfrid's for this special Mass-all of Year 6 met with Bishop David on Monday afternoon and spent a lovely hour with him sharing their learning, thoughts on the Sacrament and finding out more about him. Thank you to all who supported the children, especially our Y6 staff, the children's families and Sponsors.

Tomorrow, we continue our faith filled week, with some of our Year 3 children receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time in First Holy Communion. We are delighted to also welcome Erin and Ethan from one of our other local schools, who have chosen to take this important step in their journey of faith with our St Wilfrid's children.

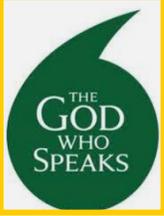




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The God who Speaks



This week at Sunday Mass, we celebrated Corpus Christi. This is the celebration of the Body and Blood of Christ. We heard how Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta said:

The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him.

With our children celebrating both First Holy Communion and Confirmation this week, we committed to say a prayer each day for them, as part of being one body in Christ.

Virtues Award

Infants

Juniors

Samantha (1M)

Confirmandi

Virtues of the Half Term



Intentional and Prophetic

This half term, we are moving on to think about being Intentional and Prophetic.

This week our Sacramental children are being intentional in their journey of faith, making their commitment to move forward in their next step.

Catholic Social Teachings

This year, we have dedicated one half term to focus on each Catholic Social Teaching.

This half term, we will be keeping all of these in mind and thinking more about how they form the basis of our whole curriculum.





Dates for your Diary

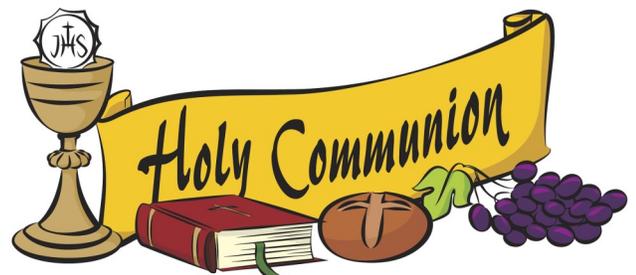
Date	Event
Saturday 17th June	Sacrament of First Holy Communion
Tuesday 20th June	Nursery trip to Ash End Farm
Tuesday 20th June	MAC Year 5 maths challenge, hosted at St Wilfrid's
Tuesday 27th June 1:30pm	New starter meeting for Nursery intake
Tuesday 27th June 2:30pm	New starter meeting for Reception intake
Thursday 29th June	Y4—Twycross Zoo
Tuesday 4th July	Reception—Attwell Farm
Wednesday 5th July	Transition Day
Tuesday 11th July	Year 2 -Buddhist Temple
Wednesday 12th July	Music Ensemble—Symphony Hall -PM
Wednesday 19th July	Sports' Day—times tbc
Thursday 20th July	Year 6 Leavers' Production



First Holy Communion

Just a reminder about the main arrangements for Saturday morning:

- Photographs in church from 8:15am
- All seated by 9:15am
- Mass starts at 9:30am
- No photographs during the Mass—there will be an opportunity at the very end after the children have sung their final song
- Please sit on your allocated bench—any extra guests who can not fit on the bench to use the benches behind
- Boys in smart school uniform—shirt and purchased tie - we will provide a sash. They may wear smart school shorts instead of trousers if they wish
- Girls in white dress—if the girls wish to wear gloves, they may, but these must be removed during Mass





Awards

Class	Name/s
Nurs	Shenique
RNM	Izhaan
RCT	Noah
1DG	Whole class
1M	Malaika
2B	Whole class
2G	Whole class
3PB	Charlie
3M	Michelle
4B	Nathan, Daniyal
4P	George
5P	Nabeel
5W	Hiba
6G	Alessia
6W	Heinrich
Wise Owl	Ethan (RCT)
Music	Confirmandi
Sport	Riley (3M)
Lunchtime	Tad (RNM), Ellie (3M), Y6



Star Awards—well done everybody!



Each week, we celebrate our children's achievements in our Friday assembly and award them with certificates.

Well done to everyone

Mrs Dunleavy's (formerly Miss Turner!) Walk Once A Week Award

We are still on a mission to reduce damage to the environment and to keep ourselves fit..
Keeeeeep walking!



Mrs Dunleavy is leading us in our drive to protect God's beautiful world by reducing air pollution!





Attendance

Please note that holidays in term time will NOT be authorised.

CONGRATULATIONS to all of those children who have been entered into the attendance draw for this week for achieving the best attendance in their class.

They will go forward for the star prize at the end of the term.

**Remember...
YOU'VE GOT TO BE IN TO WIN!**



Attendance—period 9th—15th June 2023

Our whole school attendance target is 96%



Class	%
RCT	90.4%
RNM	89.6%
1DG	96.4%
1M	93.2%
2B	95.8%
2G	91.3%
3M	91%
3PB	92.9%
4B	95.9%
4P	86.7%
5P	87.3%
5W	85.9%
6G	92.3%
6W	90.3%

This weeks whole school attendance is: 91.1%

Clean Air Day - 15 June



The UK's largest air pollution campaign is back! This year's theme is "Clean up our air to look after your mind"

Air pollution is the single biggest environmental health risk in the UK. YOU can play a big role in raising awareness of the need for clean air and taking action to improve air quality in and around our school.

This year we will all be taking part in Clean Air Day and **All classes will be running a learning session during class time:** we will all be writing a pledge of how we can be Stewards of Creation and play a role in reducing pollution.

Mrs Dunleavy will also be taking a small group of children to take part in a clean air workshop, where we will be celebrating all of our hard work in delivering the travel plan initiative. They will be working with [Big Wheel Theatre Company](#) and taking part in the '[The Pollution Solution](#)', a fun, exciting and educational workshop that looks at global warming and air pollution



How can you help on Clean Air Day?

This Clean Air Day

- 
Learn Find out more about how air pollution impacts our mental, physical and planet's health.
- 
Act Walk, wheel or use public transport to reduce your exposure and contribution to air pollution.
- 
Ask Get in touch with your local councillor to ask them to support clean air measures.





Extra Messages

Parent Conduct

As you know, our School Mission Statement is

We follow Christ's Example to Always do our Best

This is in all aspects of school life and for all within our school community.

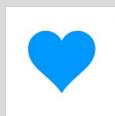
When you decide to apply for our school and then make the decision to accept the school place that you are given, you become a member of our school family and, as such, agree to follow our Home/School Agreement.

The School has a legal duty to ensure that its pupils, staff and visitors are treated with respect and that they are not subjected to verbal or physical abuse, or threats or inappropriate behaviour. This includes via social media.

Any behaviour that is deemed unacceptable cannot be tolerated by either the school or the Governing Board, both of which take this matter extremely seriously due to the considerable distress such behaviour causes to the recipients and those who witness it.

Everyone at school wants the very best for you and your child and believes that good communication is essential. Therefore we hope we can rely on your co-operation in this matter so that the School does not need to consider taking further action.

We pride ourselves on being available as soon as we can to deal with any concerns that you have and we have a number of robust systems in place to help reach a solution for any problems that may, inevitably, occur.





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Clean Air Day

Clean Air Day, the UK's largest campaign on air pollution and this week we have learn all about how we can help tackle climate change and "clean up" God's wonderful creation. The theme is - "***Clean up our air to look after your mind this #CleanAirDay***".

Cleaning up our air is good for us in many ways: it not only benefits our physical health and the environment but can also protect our mental and brain health. The physical health impacts of air pollution - such as asthma, heart disease and cancers - have been recognised for decades. More recently, researchers are beginning to understand how air pollution can affect the **brain** and the **mind**.

Campaigners want to use this year's Clean Air Day to support the public to:

- Learn:** find out more about how air pollution impacts our mental, physical and planet's health.
- Act:** walk, wheel or use public transport to reduce your exposure and contribution to air pollution. If you drive, try leaving the car behind on Clean Air Day and one day every week.
- Ask:** get in touch with your local councillor to ask them to support clean air measures that make it easier for you to breathe clean air.

On Wednesday Mrs Dunleavy and Mrs Sadler took a group of year 6 children into Birmingham to take part in the "Pollution Solution"- a fun packed day where they explored the impact of climate change, celebrated our schools travel plan achievements and took part in an interactive workshop from the Big Wheel Theatre Company.



The children were then surprised to meet Birmingham's Lord Mayor, Cllr Chaman Lal- who kindly presented us with our bronze award for our Travel Plan. What an honour.



Learn more by visiting the **Clean Air Hub** (www.cleanairhub.org.uk) or let the team know what you are up to by emailing clean-





Extra Messages

Playtime snacks

We have noticed recently, that children are bringing in a variety of snacks to eat at playtime!
Chocolate bars, crisps, and pastries!

Whilst we believe that there is nothing wrong with anything in moderation, we make the rule that playtime snacks are either goods purchased from the kitchen or a piece of fruit brought in from home.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children, therefore have no need to bring anything in from home at all, as they have fruit provided for them every day, and any spares provided as 'extra' in the juniors.

Please also ensure that your child eats breakfast daily as this ensures that they have a good start to the day.

Thank you



Lollies...

Having said that!...Janis will be selling lollies at lunchtime, for the bargain price of 60p from WEDNESDAY next week, to help to keep the children cool. These can be purchased on ParentPay.

Have a wonderful week—enjoy the sunshine!



Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted
and all the staff

