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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

Newsletter No 29 – 6th May, 2022

Another wonderful week at St Wilfrid's. This week, it has been a joy to hear of so many of our children's Eid celebrations and we thank you all for sharing this with us at school. We hope that all of our families who were celebrating had a joyous occasion.

Our hope, dear Muslim brothers and sisters, is that we continue sharing the joys and sorrows of all our neighbours and friends, because God's love embraces every person and the entire universe. As a sign of our shared humanity and the fraternity that flows from it, we wish you.....a joyful celebration of 'Id al-Fitr.

From the Vatican, 18 February 2022.

At school, although a short week, we have had numerous successes and experiences, please make sure you visit our Twitter to see what has been happening throughout the week.



May, in the Catholic faith is dedicated to Mary. This is celebrated on school prayer areas, on our Twitter and through our actions and prayer.



On Thursday, it was our pleasure to welcome the parents and candidates of our Year 3 pupils who will be receiving the sacrament of First Holy Communion in June. Thank you to all who attended this workshop and a special thank you to the staff who organised and supported the workshop.

Behind the scenes at school, we have been busy working with external agencies and partners to audit provision for all of our children and look at how else can improve even further. This week, we have been focusing in particular on Special Educational Needs and Health and Safety. Our staff, as always, have risen to the challenge - thank you to our wonderful staff team, our amazing pupils and parents who answered questionnaires, gave their opinion and experiences on the phone or in person and for continuing to support St Wilfrid's.





Year 6 SATs

Next week, Year 6 will be taking their SATs tests. It is imperative that all pupils in year 6 are in school every day and arrive on time. This will help year 6 to be fully prepared and calm any last-minute nerves. The timetable for which tests take place daily across the country are as follows:

Monday 9th May	Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
Tuesday 10th May	Reading
Wednesday 11th May	Maths Paper 1 & 2
Thursday 12th May	Maths Paper 3

We Are All Saints Children's Charter

We are proud to announce the launch of our 'We Are All Saints...Children's Charter' to mark the one-year celebration of the formation of Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Multi Academy Company. The charter outlines the offer of all schools within the MAC and sits at the heart of our mission to provide high quality Catholic education for all our pupils.

In the most basic sense, a saint is a "holy one," someone who is set apart for God's special purposes. As a result, every follower of Jesus Christ can be a saint. By following the examples of the saints, we will guide, lead and teach our children to emulate their virtuous behaviours and to follow in their footsteps.

Our charter is arranged into the following principles:

- All Saints have a love for others,
- All Saints use their gifts wisely,
- All Saints are servants of Christ,
- All Saints are risk takers,
- All Saints have a love for the world around them.

The five sections set out a blueprint for the overall offer of experiences that our children and young people can expect to receive as they undertake their journey through each stage of both their primary and secondary school lives, within Our Lady and All Saints Catholic MAC. It seeks to equip them to become active Christian





citizens in their communities and across the world. We want every child and young person, following the example of Christ in his likeness and in his Gospel teachings, to leave school fully confident that, not only are they academically fulfilled, but they have also experienced a wide range of activities enriching their hearts, minds, and souls.

The principles of our charter will be explored and unpicked at focus points throughout the liturgical year but we'll also be looking for and celebrating examples of saintly behaviours each and every day.

All parents/ carers have been emailed the 'We Are All Saints...' Children's Charter today and it can also be located on our website by clicking

here https://www.stwilfrd.bham.sch.uk/web/find_out_about_our_childrens_charter/605671

We look forward to embedding the Children's Charter offer for all of our pupils at St Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School.

Jubilee Day!



As you know, this year, Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee after 70 years of service.

We will be celebrating this in school on WEDNESDAY 25th MAY

On that day, children are invited to dress up in costumes from any given era during the Queen's reign - 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s, 1990s, 2000s, 2010s

OR

They may dress as a King or Queen for the day

Activities for the day will include -

1. Singing the National Anthem
2. Finding out about the Queen's Coronation
3. Researching an aspect of the Queen's life - her animals, her houses etc
4. A street party celebration and special lunch

And much more...

Nursery places

There are places available at our amazing nursery for September 2022. We can offer 15 hours of free child care for those eligible on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays in term time. If you would like further information, or to reserve a place for September, contact the school office.

Reception 2022

This week, our new children have accepted their places at St Wilfrid's. We are working hard to get all the information ready for our new Reception children who will be joining school in September and cannot wait to





meet them all. Information about paperwork, meetings, and everything else, including school uniform, will be available soon.

Places for Reception 2022 are still available and all applications are to be made through Birmingham City Council.

Y6 Parents

Could we ask Y6 Parents to kindly complete the anonymous survey outlining reasons for choices of secondary schools for September - responses by **20th May**. Link - <https://forms.office.com/r/UW4HH7xVaa>

Thank you.



Thank you to 'Greener Cleaner Firs and Bromford' for kindly donating:

- 2 window sill planters
- 1 potato bag
- Biodegradable plant pots and seeds
- Compost

for us to brighten our playground. Please find attached news and activities they are holding in the local area - at Ambridge House and the Pantry.





Catholic Social Teaching

This half term, we will be investigating what Catholic Teachings tell us about 'The Dignity of Work'. The children discussed lots of different jobs during assembly this week - whether paid or unpaid, at home or in the work place and how we use our God-given gifts and talents to help others through the work we do.

Talk to your children about the work you do and why it is important.

As you know our weekly newsletter is now only available online. To encourage families to access the newsletter, we have a secret competition running that is only publicized in the newsletter. Last week, the competition requirements were to secretly show your teacher a book you are reading at home. The prize winner, picked at random this week, is Amna in Reception. She has received dojo rewards and will receive a further prize on Monday.

This week's secret competition is to bring in a home-made flower with which to decorate Our Mary statue. Children are to tell their teacher and place the flower by the statue. They will receive 2 dojos and be put onto the lucky-dip prize list!

Virtues and Values

This half term we are trying to be more 'Grateful and Generous'.

Congratulations to Sarim (2B) and Oliver (6W) who are the winners of the certificates this week.

Attendance - Period - 25th - 29th April 2022

Group	
RNM	89%
RSS	85.7%
Year 1DG	89.5%
Year 1M	89.1%
Year 2B	95.2%
Year 2G	86%
Year 3C	89.1%
Year 3M	87.3%
Year 4B	93%
Year 4P	85.2%
Year 5P	92.8%
Year 5W	89.3%
Year 6G	82%
Year 6W	92.3%





STAR AWARDS AND MERIT CERTIFICATES THIS WEEK

Nursery	Ehsan
Reception NM	Antonia
Reception SS	Amanda
Year 1DG	Ken
Year 1M	Bentley
Year 2B	Michelle
Year 2G	Yanis
Year 3C	Whole class
Year 3M	Nathan
Year 4B	Habul
Year 4P	Kacey
Year 5P	Dante
Year 5W	Leona
Year 6G	Andrius
Year 6W	Oliver
Sports Award	Y4, 5 & 6 Girls Footballers
Wise Owl Award	Elis (2B)
Lunchtime Awards	Nevaeh (5W), Mikael (6G), 3C

Well done everyone!

Prayers

We pray for all those in our school community who are unwell at the moment.

Yours sincerely,

Milligan L. Mustard

Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and all the staff



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1st June 22nd June
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Activities during Pantry

Gardening Sessions



Every Thursday
10am - 12pm



1st March - 29th September

All welcome

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Hodge Hill Church, Coleshill Rd

With thanks to:

