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NEWSLETTER

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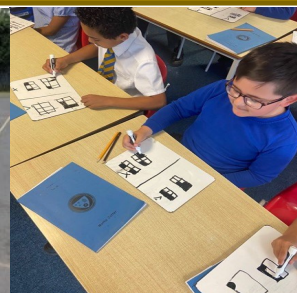
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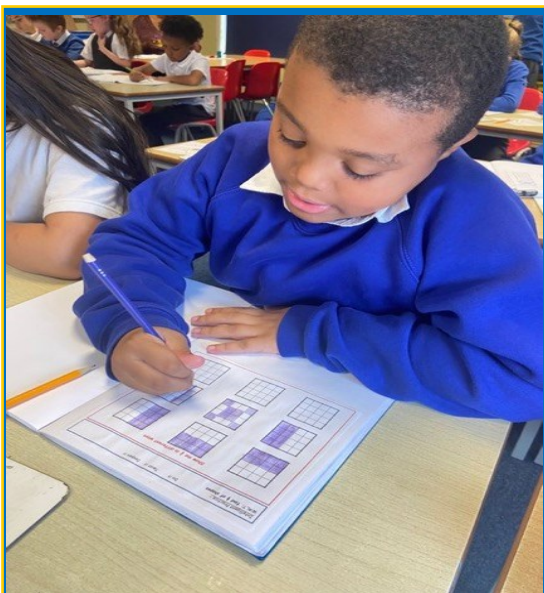
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We strive to follow Christ example , to always do our best



Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Message

Welcome Back! What a lovely week! We hope everyone enjoyed the extra bank holidays and managed to catch sight of the Queen!

A MASSIVE thank you to all who donated to and attended the Great British Afternoon Tea at the end of last half term. The grand total was £408.27! We look forward to donating to the African charity work of one of the local groups in our community and we will keep you up to date with development of our new community/learning garden on the junior play-ground.

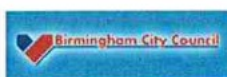
This week, our Year One children, and some of our Year Two children, have been busy showcasing their phonics by taking their Phonics Screening Tests. We are very proud of how hard they have been working to catch up on the learning lost during 'The Covid Years', and have done very well. Congratulations to these children and to their teachers too, who have worked tirelessly to support them.

Year Six, meanwhile, have been busy practising for their end of year production— more detail about this a little later, but, although they have been keeping their cards (or scripts) close to their chest, rumour has it that you are in for a treat!

Year 3, and some of our older children, are finalising their preparations for receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. A reminder to take note of the details later on about the forthcoming meeting and Sacramental Masses.

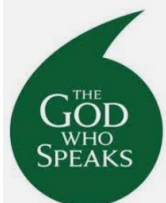
Thank you to our infants who prepared and led a beautiful mass yesterday. It is wonderful to see that all of our children now are able to experience Holy Mass at school. Please remember that you are very welcome at Mass each week—next week's Mass is at 9:05am and will be led by our junior children.

Congratulations to our Year 5/6 boys' school football team who have secured a play-off spot in the ESPSFA league. The play-off will take place next Tuesday (14th June) against Yardley Primary School and if the team manage to get past Yardley they will go onto the finals which will take place two days later-Thursday 16th June. Good Luck boys!





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The God who Speaks

When Learning about our Catholic Social Teachings this half term, we will be thinking about the academic year that has passed and the new academic year ahead, talking about '**Solidarity and the Common Good**'.

This sounds like a very complicated phrase but, simplified, 'solidarity', is the belief that we are all responsible for one another because we all belong to the one human family created and loved by God.

At the very heart of this is the idea that we must take care of each other and unite because we are all brothers and sisters. Over the next few weeks, we will be offering God thanks for the relationships that we have built and re-strengthened this year after two broken years as a face to face community. Later in the half term, on transition day, children will be considering how they will care for each other as one family in their new year group.

'But the most beautiful thing that God made, the Bible says, was the family.' Pope Francis

Virtues Award

Infants

Juniors

Jennaye (2B)

Paul (4P)

Right of the Week



Article 28 (goals of education)

Every child has the right to an education. Primary education must be free and different forms of secondary education must be available to every child. Discipline in schools must respect children's dignity and their rights. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.

Remember, we start the day at 8:55am—don't let your child miss out on that vital start of the day learning. Drop them in on time—see details later of punctuality competition



Virtues of the Half Term



ATTENTIVE and DISCERNING

Pupils at St Wilfrid's are growing to be **Attentive** and **Discerning**. They are continually noticing the world around them and the needs within it and making choices about how they can help. This links beautifully with our CST learning about Solidarity and the Common Good—taking time to help their family at home, at school and in the wider world.





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Dates For Your Calendar

Date	Event
Thursday 16th June 9:05am	Junior Mass in church
14.6.22	Y6 trip to Drayton Manor
14.6.22 4:15pm	Online Meeting for children who will be receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion
16.6.22 1:30pm	Y3 Reconciliation 1:30pm
21.6.22 3:45pm	Year 5 parent meeting in school—secondary school applications and Alton Castle
22.6.22	Year 4 trip to Mosque
25.6.22 9:30am	First Holy Communion
27.6.22 2pm	New Nursery Parents meeting
28.6.22 4:15pm	Online Meeting for children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation
4.7.22 2pm	New Reception Parents meeting - 2pm
6.7.22 9:30am - 10:30am	New Nursery children and parents visit
6.7.22 9:15am-11:30am	New Reception children visit
7.7.22	MAC Athletics
11.7.22 7pm	Y6 Confirmation
12.7.22	Year 4 Trip to Twycross Zoo
13.7.22 Times to follow	Sports Day
18.7.22	Nursery Ponies and Picnic day
19.7.22 9:30am	Nursery Celebration Assembly
19.7.22 2pm	Year 6 End of year Production
21.7.22	Children break up for the summer holiday (22nd is given over for Jubilee Day in lieu of the holiday that falls in half term)



Year 4 Multiplication Test

The Year 4 Multiplication Tests begin on Monday 20th June—a chance for the children to showcase their times table talents!

They have been working really hard on their 'tables' in class, and hopefully, also, at home.

Encourage children to log onto TT Rockstars at home for that last minute bit of practice!



Can you help?!

We are endeavouring to make our playground a more beautiful place to be.

This is the start of our project and priority one is to work on the grass area inside the main gates on the way into the junior playground.

We would like to develop it into a multi purpose area that can eventually be used as

1. A community area for parents to gather at either end of the school day
2. An outdoor area for the children to enjoy lessons and Collective Worship
3. A calm area to be used during lunchtimes for those children who would like to draw/colour/read/play board games
4. A place to house a school Memory Tree

This will need a bit of physical work to remove the damaged planters, dig over and level the ground, prune bushes and plant up shrubs kindly donated by Asda. If you think that this is something with which you could help, please let your child's teacher, or the school office know.



Star Awards—well done everybody!

Class	Name/s
RNM	Salman, Darcy-Rai
RSS	Eiman
1DG	Whole class, Esmae-Rose
1M	Mehr Bano
2B	Daanish
2G	Jada, Michael
3C	Whole class
3M	Alex
4B	Mohib
4P	Lexie, Billie
5P	Whole class
5W	Preston, Kayla
6G	Lacie-Jai
6W	Oliver
Wise Owl	Troy (2G)
Music	Y6
Sport	Kylah (1M)
Lunchtime	RNM, Mayumi, (1M), Scott (6G)



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

Well done to everyone who has received an award today and we look forward to seeing who will receive awards next week.

Attendance—period 23—27 May 2022

Our whole school attendance target is 95%

This weeks whole school attendance is: 91.5%



Class	%
RNM	93.6%
RSS	88.1%
1DG	95.5%
1M	90.5%
2B	93.3%
2G	91.4%
3C	91.8%
3M	91.8%
4B	86.1%
4P	85.9%
5P	94.1%
5W	94.1%
6G	89.3%
6W	96.3%

Punctuality!

It has been noticed recently, that there are a number of children who are continually arriving to school late.

As a parent/carer of a child of statutory school age, you have a legal responsibility to ensure full time education suitable to the child's age, ability and aptitude and any special educational needs the child may have, either by regular attendance at school or otherwise. (Education Act 1996)

The statistics may be surprising to you

Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days worth of teaching lost in a year
5 mins	3.4 days
10 mins	6.9 days
15 mins	10.3 days
20 mins	13.8 days
30 mins	20.7 days

Poor punctuality can lead to your child

- Feeling embarrassed in front of their friends
- Missing the beginning of vital lessons
- Missing important instructions for the rest of the school day
- Learning bad habits which could affect their employability in the future

Let's have a big push on this for the next 4 weeks, starting from Monday, and improve punctuality!

There will be a prize draw at the end of the 4 weeks and the most punctual pupils will have the opportunity to win a voucher to spend!

Set those alarm clocks, and GOOD LUCK!



Pentecost



This week, our children have been learning about Pentecost.

This was the time when the Holy Spirit descended upon the special friends of Jesus and they had the confidence to spread the word of God around the world.

Talk to your children about how they spread the word of God to others— is it through what they say? Or what they do?

1And when the days of the Pentecost were accomplished, they were all together in one place: **2**And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a mighty wind coming: and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. **3**And there appeared to them parted tongues, as it were of fire: and it sat upon every one of them. **4**And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost: and they began to speak with divers tongues, according as the Holy Ghost gave them to speak.



The Pope's Prayer Intention for June : Families

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives



We offer our prayers this week for ourselves at the beginning of this new, and final, half term of the school year. We are grateful for all we have learned so far, and look forward to moving forward into the holidays before the new school year begins.



Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and all the staff .

