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Dear Parents/Carers,

Peace is the theme of the Gospel this week. Peace is the gift that Christ leaves us with in the form of the Holy Spirit. We all have incredibly busy lives in a very busy world filled with internet, TV and smartphones. It is crucial that we find some space, some time and some peace. This is equally important for our children. Find a space and silence for just a few minutes this weekend.

Year of Mercy Please read and share the story of the Good Samaritan with your child. This is at the centre of the inspiration for the Year of Mercy.



British Values Tolerance is an essential part of British Life. Share similarities and celebrate differences.

Whole School Mass We have our first whole school Mass of the term on Wednesday at 10am in Church. Please make an effort to share this special time with our children.

Attendance Our attendance last week was 98.2%. Fabulous result, well done everyone.

Mini Vinnies will be starting again on Tuesday 3rd May if you would like your child to attend then please let either the school office or Mrs Worrall know.

Year 6 SATS The SATS will take place the week beginning 9th May. Please keep the children and school in your prayers. Year 6 parents please keep the children busy with some last minute cramming.

Year 2 SATS We will be administering these from 16th May for two weeks. The children are not put under any pressure but are allowed to work in small groups in a familiar environment. Please help your child stay calm and relaxed during this time.



Ties Children who come to school without ties are given a loan tie for the day. They are to return the tie at the end of the day. Sadly many of the children forget. Please check their rooms for “Loan Ties”. They are marked on the label.

Uniform We pride ourselves on our uniform, please check your child has the correct uniform. We’ve seen some trainers and leggings finding their way in recently.

Creative Writing Club Thanks to Mrs Jackson, we have a Creative Writing Club starting tonight. It is wonderful to be offering a non-sporting after school club. If you are interested in joining the club then please see the school office.

Fire Service Visit On Tuesday the Fire Service will be visiting school. They are coming to talk to Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. It is a scheduled visit, I can assure you that this is the only type of visit any of us want from the Fire Service.



Tag Rugby We will be fielding a Year 3 and 4 tag rugby team at a competition on Thursday 5th May in Blyth- run straight and support.

Road Safety Please make sure that all children are aware of the dangers of crossing the road. Make sure that your child is using the crossings and are staying safe.

Important Upcoming Dates

- 2nd May- Closed for Bank Holiday
- 19th May- Special American themed lunch
- 27th May- Special Lunch to celebrate Queen’s 90th Birthday
- 27th May- School breaks up for Half Term
- 6th June- School returns
- 11th June- First Holy Communion
- 25th June- Summer Fayre
- 13th July- Leavers Mass
- 14th July- Sports Day PM
- 18th July- Glastonbede
- 19th July- Leavers Liturgy
- 19th July- School breaks up for summer at 3.05pm
- 20th July- Teacher Training Day

Big question.....WHO WILL GO DOWN???

Damian Groark
Head teacher

