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Message from the Head of Learning

Welcome back after what we hope has been a lovely Easter break. Thank you for sending the children back to school smartly dressed and ready to learn. The teaching teams have been busy planning a wealth of learning experiences - the children have plenty to look forward to. Please look out for the summer term curriculum newsletters for more information.

Unfortunately, we received some very sad news over the holiday. Brian Coyte, Mrs Coyte's husband, has passed away following an illness. Please keep Mrs Coyte and her family and friends in your prayers at this difficult time.

Key Stage 1 classes enjoyed a fantastic day at Newquay Zoo earlier this week. What a wonderful start to their 'Sensational Safari' topic. The children looked for animals from the continent of Africa to help them with research for the fact files that they are producing back in class.



Congratulations to Ursule who is a runner up in Radio Plymouth's 'Design a scarecrow' competition. She has won £50 in gift vouchers so we can 'get growing this summer' at Otter Garden Centre in Brixton. Her name was called out on Radio Plymouth this week. Well done, Ursule!

First Name: Ursule
Class: Y1 Resilience
School: Holy Cross Catholic Primary School

Design a Scarecrow Competition



The next parent forum meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 2nd May at 8.00am. All members of the parent/carer community are invited, and people are encouraged to put forward items for the agenda prior to the meeting. Children whose parents attend will qualify for a free breakfast at our breakfast club - your child will be well looked after whilst you have the opportunity to tell us your views and offer your suggestions. Please book in the school office.

Please keep in your prayers the children who are preparing to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Please join the children and their families for First Holy Communion Mass at the Cathedral at 10am on Sunday 6th May.

Finally, this is one of the busiest terms of the year. Please refer to the diary dates to ensure you are fully informed about the events leading up to the end of the year. We have several Masses arranged which we hope you will be able to join us for.

Have a lovely weekend.

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Liturgy in School

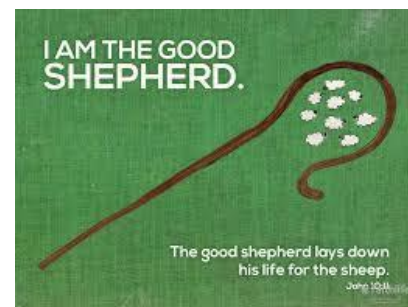


Parents and Parishioners are invited to join us for liturgy, 9am, Monday mornings

The theme for our prayer and worship next week is:

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THE GOOD SHEPHERD



Dear Jesus, I know you are always on the look out for me. Thank you for looking after me. Help me to trust in you always.

Amen.

CAFOD
Just one world

Thank you to everyone who helped raise £118.62 for CAFOD on Fasting Day



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HCPT Group 45



Group 45 would like to thank the children who went on a pilgrimage to Lourdes over the Easter break, and also to thank all of their wonderful supporters. The children had an uplifting and spiritual experience, involving themselves in all aspects of the trip including visiting the grotto where Mary appeared to Bernadette.

Congratulations to all of



those pupils who graduated with the Children's University this week: -

Martin (Y4)
Charlie (Y2)
Alexander MK (Y2)
Eugene (Y1)
Julian (Y2)
Ashley (Y2)
Tilly (Y2)
Eitan (Y2)
Nell (Y4)
Niamh (Y5)



An extra special mention goes to Benjamin in Hergé class this week. Benjamin has got through to the next round of the Radio 2 500 Words Competition. Congratulations Benjamin! The P.T.F.A. are excited to



announce a return of the 'Quiz Night' on Friday 18th May at 7pm. Get your thinking caps on and scrub up on your general knowledge. All proceeds raised will go towards the Holy Cross P.T.F.A. to help fund projects around the school. More information on the Quiz Night will be shared shortly.

Help Needed

The P.T.F.A. are always looking for helpers at the school discos, the next one for which is on Friday 29th June. If you are interested in helping out, and require DBS clearance, please contact the School Office. Please note that it can take up to three weeks to obtain DBS clearance so if you are interested we ask that you contact the office as soon as possible.



Wonders of the Week

JD (F) – Stephen & Wiktor
SJ (Y1) – Anne
EC (Y1/2) - Gabriel
H (Y2) - Benjamin
RD (Y3) - Dylan
DKS (3) – Ali
MM (Y4) - Fintan
JKR (Y5) - Ursule
RMK (Y6) – Harvey

Top Table Award

JD (FS) – Ella-Louise
SJ (Y1) – Olivia
EC (Y1/2) - Isabelle
H (Y2) – Holly
RD (Y3) - Ava
DKS (3) - Daragh
MM (Y4) – Amelia
JKR (Y5) – Ariana
RMK (Y6) – Zachary

On Time Heroes

**Eric Carle
&
Hergé**

**House Point
Winning Team
St Theresa**



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Help us to encourage your child to remain hydrated throughout the school day by remembering to send your child in with their water bottle each morning. If you need to purchase a new water bottle you can buy one from the School Office for £2.50.



Here is a list of some important dates confirmed for this year. All information is available on our website calendar.

17th July @ 7pm
Year 6 Leavers Production
18th July @ 7pm
Leavers Production
16th & 17th July
Transition mornings
19th July @ 2pm
School Talent Show
20th July @ 2pm
Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

2nd May @ 8am
Parent Forum
2nd May @ 11am
Class Mass (Years 2 & 3)
6th May

First Holy Communion
10th May @ 2.15pm
Whole School Mass
w/c 21st May

Walk to School Week
4th – 8th June

Year 6 Residential
w/c 11th June
Healthy Eating Week

23rd May @ 11am
Class Mass (Years 4 & 5)
29th June @ 2.15pm

Whole School Mass
11th July
Reports out & confirmation
of new class

12th July
Meet the Teacher
12th July @ 2.15pm
Whole School Mass

13th July
Summer Fair
16th July @ 1.30pm
Year 6 Leavers Production
Dress Rehearsal

Thank you all for your support as always. Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Potterton and Mr Cotter

We accept the following Childcare Vouchers:

Edenred ref - **P21102440**

Fideliti ref - **HOL357C**

Allsave/Sodexo/p&mm/
salary plus ref – **872743**

Computershare ref – **0024415526**

New provider – Care4 – ref
21767538 - New provider

If you have any questions
regarding childcare vouchers
please contact the school office.

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

For information on any of the clubs running this term, please see the School Notice Board in the top playground or collect an information sheet from reception.