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Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

#### A message from the Headteacher

Many thanks to all the families who donated flowers for the May Procession last week and to all our volunteers who came to help with the preparation. It was a lovely celebration of 'Our Lady' and I was really proud of the way the children conducted themselves during the service.

Congratulations to Year 1 who delivered a real feel good assembly all about 'Holidays and Holydays'. You spoke beautifully and I was very impressed by your singing!

I would like to thank Father Mark for leading mass yesterday as we celebrated 'The Ascension of the Lord' Again, the children were a real credit to St John Fisher and it was great to see so many parishioners join us.

We managed to raise a magnificent **£759.84** for CAFOD which is just brilliant. Thank you all so much for your generosity.

Finally, please keep Year 6 in your thoughts and prayers as they prepare to take their SATs next week. They have been working exceptionally hard throughout the year and I am sure they will do themselves justice. Good luck Year 6, we are very proud of all of you!

#### Best Work

Congratulations to the following children **Scarlet-Rose, Megan, Amelia, Liam, Harrison, Shantelle and the whole of Year 2** for their fabulous projects who shared their wonderful work with us during our last celebration assembly.

#### House point winners

**Wisdom** are this week's winners. Great work!

#### Mission Accomplished

A BIG well done to the following students: **Jan, Tayarni, Xienna, Megan, Roisin, Tommy, Howard, Charlotte, Filip, Mimi, Olivia, Louise, Kwabena and Spencer** who have been recognised by their class teachers for being shining examples this week. I look forward to having lunch with them on Monday.

#### Fantastic news!

Congratulations to Mrs Curtis who gave birth to Amelia Lisa yesterday. Both mother and baby are doing really well and I am sure you will join me as we send our love and best wishes to Gemma and her family.

#### Sports result

##### Tag Rugby (Aggregate score)

##### St John Fisher 26 - 21 Breadsall Primary

The school rugby team continued their unbeaten run with two great performances last night against a fully committed Breadsall side. We scored some wonderful tries across both games combining speed and agility with safe hands to ensure we were always in control. It has been a real pleasure to see the players grow and develop over the past year and they are only going to get better. The two victories cement our place in second in the league table which is a fantastic achievement. I look forward to going one better next year! Well played Oliwia, Jake, Nadine, Julia, Tom, Isaac, Theo, Thierry and Paddy. You are a credit to the school.

#### Staying Sun-Safe

Please ensure your children wear sunhats, put on suncream, and bring a bottle of plain water to drink throughout the day. Children may be asked to top up their suncream during the day so it is very important that if your child cannot for any reason, you make their class teacher aware. Thank you.

#### Summer uniform

**Just a quick reminder that all children should now be wearing their summer uniform.**

#### Boys

- grey shorts or long grey trousers
- embroidered or plain - white polo shirt
- embroidered maroon jumper
- grey socks
- black sensible shoes
- black or brown sandals

#### Girls

- summer dress - red/white check
- grey skirt, knee length shorts, trousers or pinafore
- embroidered or plain - white polo shirt
- embroidered maroon cardigan or jumper
- short or knee length white socks
- black sensible shoes
- black or brown sandals

### House Liturgies

We would like to invite parents and parishioners to join us for a House Liturgy to celebrate Pentecost on **Friday 18th May at 2.45 pm**. Our House groups are named after the gifts of the Holy Spirit - Wisdom, Knowledge, Understanding, Courage, Reverence, Right-Judgement and Awe & Wonder - so this is the perfect chance for the children to come together in their House groups to pray. Siblings are allocated to the same House and they meet one of the classrooms. Please ask your child about the name of their House and where they meet. There will be Year Six children on hand to take you to the right place if you are not sure. We do hope you will be able join us.

### St Benedict's are coming into school

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 to meet with our Year 6 children and to then to lead an assembly for Year 5 before meeting with Yr 5 parents at 2.15pm. I know the staff from St Benedict's are keen to meet as many parents as possible, so you are very welcome to join us.

### Change of date/time

Please note the following changes for the Year 6 Leavers Play and for a Whole School Inset Day in November 2018.

#### Year 6 Play

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018 - 2.00pm show rather than 9.30am**

#### Inset Day

**Has changed from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018 - Please see revised Holiday Dates information sheet.**

#### PTFA Meeting

The next PTFA meeting will take place in school on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018**. All welcome for a 6.15pm start.

#### Extra Curricular Clubs w/b - 14.05.2018

**Monday** - Y5/Y6 Football, Premier Sports 'Extreme Sports' after school club

**Tuesday** - Premier Sports Gymnastics after school club, Year 5 'Touch Typing' Chaplains (lunch)

**Thursday** - Premier Sports Cheerleading after school,

**Friday** - Y4-6 Rugby

#### Dates for your diary - up until half term 2018

14<sup>th</sup> May - 18<sup>th</sup> May - Yr6 SATs

16<sup>th</sup> May - P.T.F.A. Meeting @ 6:15pm

24<sup>th</sup> May - Yr 3 trip to Cadbury's World

25<sup>th</sup> May BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM

#### A final thought

**Be proud to say that you have tried your best and given everything that you can**

Have a lovely weekend,

Yours sincerely,

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