



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Last week was another busy one in school with year 1 and 2 continuing with Forest School sessions, children must be dressed in appropriate clothing as they may get dirty or wet. Mrs Harrison and Mrs Nicholson will still take the children out in the rain!! On Wednesday, Year 4 and 5 enjoyed their choir sessions with Greg from St Barnabas Cathedral. If any child in Key Stage 2 is interested in being a member of the Cathedral choir please visit www.nottinghamcathedralmusic.com for further information. All choir members will hopefully be able to participate in a carol service at St Barnabas Cathedral in early December.

Children in Year 5 continue with Dare on Thursday, it is a ten-week programme where they will learn about keeping safe online, alcohol and drug mis-use and gang and knife crime. Children in Year 6 are enjoying their swimming sessions each Wednesday. Mrs Gallivan is very proud of each and every one and the progress they are making already as some children were feeling quite nervous after not being able to go swimming for so long due to Covid.

No doubt you will have seen in the media about the lack of HGV drivers and general resources to operate supply chains. This is causing nationwide shortages of food for supermarkets, restaurants, takeaway outlets and hospitality providers such as ourselves. Aspens are working hard to keep any changes to a minimum and thank you for your patience while the supply chain stabilises.

Your child will bring home a letter outlining plans for progress meetings next week. These will take place in school so please complete the reply slip and return to school by Wednesday. We will block siblings together as best as we can to minimise the time you spend in school. In return we ask that you do not arrive too early in school for your appointment and you leave promptly once you have finished your appointment.

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Y6 TRANSFER TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Year 6 pupils have now received their application packs for secondary school. Should you wish to make an on-line application but do not have access to the internet, we are happy to help you do this in school, please make an appointment. **The closing date for applications is Sunday 31st October 2021. If you apply after the deadline this may reduce your chances of getting a place at your preferred school, particularly if it is popular.**

RESIDENTIALS TO HATHERSAGE AND THE BRIARS.

On Monday 11th October, 34 children from Year 3 and 4 will go off site on a 2 night residential to St Michaels Environmental Centre in Hathersage. There is a meeting in school tonight at 6pm to outline plans and to obtain and share important information with you so please ensure at least one parent attends.

On 1st December Year 6 will be heading to The Briars on a two night residential. This provides the children with a fantastic opportunity to explore their own faith and participate in a variety of activities led by the youth team. Further details will follow soon.

WORD OF THE WEEK:

INCLUSION



Jesus calls all people to follow him. He often caused outrage by being friends with the kinds of people society didn't like. He wasn't afraid to reach out to those people left out by the world and he worked hard to find a way to include them in what he was doing. Think about those people who often get left out. How can you show God's love and compassion to them?

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:45	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	
Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Basketball (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:30 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	Music Tuition TB Sport: Dodgeball (Year 1,2 and 3)	All day 3:30 - 4:30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Multi-Sports (Year 1,2 and 3)	3:30 - 4:30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Tag Rugby (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:30 - 4:30
Friday Breakfast Club	No afterschool provision	

ATTENDANCE SHOUT OUTS!!

Our Education Welfare Officer, Mrs Bradshaw, monitors attendance daily and continues to make home visits to support parents to ensure their child attends school regularly and on time.

This week's attendance winner

CLASS 4 with 100% and no late marks!! This is amazing, well done!

CLASS 5 and 6 came a close second with 99%! BRILLIANT!

Punctuality has been incredible across the school so well done to everyone who has turned up every day on time!

School Matters!



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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
30.08.21	31.08.21: Health and Safety Day 01.09.21: INSET Day 02.09.21: School opens to pupils	02.09.21 Welcome back Assembly	
06.09.21		06.09.21 Whole School Assembly 10.09.21 Mass led by Year 6	
13.09.21		13.09.21 Whole School Assembly 15.09.21 Choir begins for Year 4 and 5 16.09.21 Year 6 retreat afternoon 17.09.21: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm via Microsoft Teams	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
20.09.21	24.09.21: International Day	20.09.20 Whole School Assembly 23.09.21 Year 5 Retreat afternoon 24.09.21: International Day Assembly 2:30pm	20.09.21 Year 6 information evening in school 6pm 22.09.21 Year 6 Information Meeting at The Becket
27.09.21	01.10.21 INSET DAY (School closed to all pupils)	27.09.21 Whole School Assembly 30.09.21 St Therese of Liseux House Retreat afternoon	27.09.21 Meeting for parents regarding Hathersage
04.10.21		04.10.21 St Francis Hub Mass 08.10.21 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm via Microsoft Teams	04.10.21 Parent's meetings
11.10.21	11 th – 13 th Residential to Hathersage Year 3 and 4	11.10.21 Whole School Assembly 15.10.20 Achiever of the Half Term Awards	
18.10.21	HALF TERM		
25.10.21	HALF TERM		
01.11.21		01.11.21 Whole School Assembly 02.11.21 All Souls Day Liturgy 05.11.21: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
08.11.21	08.11.21 Parish Mass Year 1 & 6 9:10am	09.11.21 Whole School Assembly 11.11.21: Remembrance Day Liturgy 12.11.21: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
15.11.21	15.11.21: Parish Mass Year 2 & 5 9:10am	15.11.21 Whole School Assembly 19.11.21 Judaism Celebration	
22.11.21	23.11.21: Parish Mass Year 3 & 4 9:10am	22.11.20 Whole School Assembly 26.11.20 Advent Mass	
29.11.21		29.11.21 Advent Liturgy led by Year -6 03.12.21: Celebration Assembly	
06.12.21	10.12.21: Christmas jumper day	06.12.21 Advent Liturgy led by Year 5 06.12.21 Advent Reconciliation Year 4 -6	
13.12.21	13.12.21: Foundation Nativity 10am 14.12.21: Foundation Nativity 1:30pm 16.12.21: Christmas Dinner	17.12.21 Advent Wreath Service led by Year 4 and 5	

PUPIL VOICE

Year 5 had a retreat afternoon with Joe the chaplain. They looked at the 'Creation story' and made reference to the different things that God created on each day. They compared it to St Francis of Assisi and wrote prayers for our school, church and community, thinking how we can be more like St Francis and take care of the beautiful world around us.



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PARISH NOTICES:

Catholic Community of East Nottingham The consultation period for the merger of our three parishes is now complete. All the submissions have been received and the three Parish Councils have considered all the comments and are now ready to formally ask Bishop Patrick to merge the parishes into one. The formal letter outlining the reasons for this request is below. The letter is also on the community website along with the supporting documents that will go to the Bishop and Council of Priests. You will see that the supporting documents contain every single comment that came through the consultation. The final cut-off for any comments is 12.00 midday on Wednesday 29th. That afternoon, the documents need to go to the Bishop in preparation for the Council of Priests meeting on 11th October. Any final comments need to go directly to Fr Joe by email; joe.wheat@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Most Reverend Father,

I, the undersigned Rev Canon Joseph Wheat, Parish Priest of the Parishes of Saint Augustine, Apostle of England, Woodborough Road, Our Lady and Saint Edward, Gordon Road and Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Carlton Hill, petition asking that the aforementioned parishes be merged to form a new parish by their extinctive union (cf. c 515, §2).

The three parishes have been clustered together for over 12 months, served by a single Pastoral Team of clergy, religious and lay people. In a church in which there are fewer vocations to the priesthood and a need to strengthen lay leadership, this model of working and co-responsibility has proved beneficial and we wish to secure it for the future. During this time, it has become increasingly apparent, that to free up time of this Pastoral Team and others for pastoral care and mission, the administrative burden needs to be lessened by merging the three Parish Pastoral Councils, two Finance Committees and three systems of administration. This will enable financial savings and the freeing up of resources to be used for pastoral care and mission. To merge the parishes will also give the present informal relationship stability and security, and encourage each worshipping community to see themselves as part of a greater whole and so support their fellow parishioners and the different activities in each distinct community. It will enable the three worshipping communities to continue to pool resources and share talents and spend their time and energy focussed on building communion and mission.

The primary task of the church is missionary; to be 'salt and light'. This merger will allow a greater focus on this fundamental task and so enable continued growth.

The Parish Pastoral Councils, the Parish Finance Committees and the Deanery clergy have discussed the proposed alterations. There has been a lengthy and full consultation process in all three parishes. (see Page. 1 of supporting documents) There is unanimous approval for the merging of the three parishes.

I ask that the petition be referred to the Council of Priests for its consideration and granted for the just reasons contained herein. Nottingham, 21st September 2021, Rev Canon Joseph Wheat Parish Priest

Sacred Heart Community Centre is up and running after being officially opened and blessed by Bishop Patrick this week.

Thanks are due to all those who worked in various capacities from design stage right through to competition – but most especially to all those parishioners who donated money to build up our funds to enable the centre to be built. From those small gifts of just a few pounds, to larger donations of several thousand, each donation is an expression of belonging, faith and commitment to the church community. All this effort shows just how much we value our parish. Now the centre will come into its own and be a fantastic resource for our own needs but also those of the local community. A big thank you to everyone who got things up and running and organised the celebrations on Friday morning and evening. Many chairs, tables, mugs and glasses were moved, dusted, stacked..... a great team effort.

Meditation Group's next meeting via zoom is on Thursday 30th September. Meeting ID: 517630879 Passcode: 6em01w at 7.30 pm. <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/517630879?pwd=UysvOEIKSTBkVHlNMWtMRDdkMEpUZz09>

Scripture Group: will begin in person on 30th September at a different time of 2 pm in the Sacred Heart meeting room. The Gospel reading, we will focus on is Mark 10:2-16. Open to all, so please come and join.

Parking at Sacred Heart: the car park is fully open now, providing 4 spaces more than we used to have. Please do not use spaces down the side of the church or at the front. These spaces are all now out of use. Disabled access spaces are situated at the very rear of the church and at the back of the new community centre. Please park in between lines and do not use spaces down the side access road.

Pastoral Team retreat day; the Pastoral Team spent a day up at The Briars, led by David Wells. We reflected on how best to work together to further the building up of the community and the mission of the church. In the next couple of weeks, we will meet again to share what we learnt from the day and how best to lead our parishes forward.



INTERNATIONAL DAY **FRIDAY 24th SEPTEMBER**

Thank you to everyone who supported our International Day on Friday. All the children looked fantastic in their national dress, national football shirts or dressed in colours of their national flag. The range of foods on offer at our shared breakfast was amazing with so many home cooked or prepared dishes and I know the children enjoyed sharing them with their friends.

We are blessed to belong to a diverse community and it was a lovely way to celebrate together and learn a little bit more about each other's cultures.



FEAST DAY – ST THERESE OF LISEUX

On Thursday 30th September we will be celebrating the feast day of St Therese of Liseux. This will be a non-uniform day for children and staff who are in this house **BUT** they must wear something red as that is their house colour. If you are unsure which house your child is in, please check the colour of their name on their organiser as that is their house colour.

All the children in the house will participate in a retreat afternoon to find out how we will live like St Therese - scattering a flower each day – not a real flower though: share a smile with a stranger, show patience to your neighbour and say a kind word to the person sitting next to you. We can represent her by a little action, sacrifice for God and love. Little things can make a big difference.



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASSES IN BOLD ARE LIVE STREAMED

Monday 27 th September St Vincent de Paul	9am (OLSE) 9:30am (SH)	MASS Anna Thuy Thi Nguyen RIP The sick and housebound of the parish
Tuesday 28 th September	10AM (SA)	MASS Cecilia Moore RIP
Wednesday 29 th September Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels	9am (OLSE) 9am (SH)	MASS Intentions of Fr Marcus Michael Diver RIP
Thursday 30 th September St Jerome	10am (SA)	MASS Colman A. Ridge - wellbeing
Friday 1 st October St Therese of Liseux	9am (SH) 9am (OLSE) 2pm (SA) 3.30 – 4.30 (OLSE)	MASS Rita Harkin & Deceased family RIP Sally Clarke RIP (anniv) Requiem Mass for Jo O'Donovan RIP Sacrament of Reconciliation available
Saturday 2 nd October	 6.30 pm	VIGIL MASS Fr Joe is covering Mass in a local prison. Claudio D'Angelo RIP
Sunday 19 th September 27th Sunday of the year.	8.45am (St Christophers) 9.30am (OLSE) 10.00am (SH) 11.00am (SA) 11.30am (OLSE)	MASS People of the parish Intentions of staff and pupils; OLSE school Fr Eamon O'Hara RIP Sr Bernadette Healey's intentions Anna Khuong Thi Le RIP

INSET DAY ADVENT TERM

We have arranged for an INSET day on Friday 1st October. School will be closed for pupils on this day.

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