



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Thank you to all our parents who joined us for our first progress meetings of the year. It was lovely to be able to invite you back into school. If you were unable to attend please ensure you make contact with your child's class teacher to arrange a convenient time for you both. We will notify year 4 of their date after half term when we hope Miss Lindo will be well enough to return to school. Thank you to all the parent show completed our Parent View questions, these are the same set of questions that Ofsted will ask you when we have a visit. On Friday we asked a group of children similar style questions too and were joined in the process by our Parent Governor. We will analyse the results and share them with you after half term.

Year 5 will lead us this afternoon in their Harvest Liturgy. They have chosen Cafod's 'Go green for harvest' message and we thank you for your donations of food which will be shared with the parish SVP and loose change will be donated to Cafod.

This week we celebrate the feast of St Edward on Wednesday so Year 3 and Year 6 are heading across to join the parish for Mass. It will be live streamed back to school so all the children can join in this special occasion.

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. Due to these shortages there is a delay in launching the new lunch menu.

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Y6 TRANSFER TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

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. 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. As we break up for half term this will need to happen this week.

RESIDENTIALS TO HATHERSAGE AND THE BRIARS.

Today 34 children from Year 3 and 4 go off site on a 2 night residential to St Michaels Environmental Centre in Hathersage. During their time away they will take part in orienteering, boat racing, take a train ride and do lots of walking. Myself and Miss Greenwood are looking forward to visiting them tomorrow for tea at Pool Café.

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: DIVERSITY



Diversity gives everyone the opportunity to share, celebrate and understand the impact of heritage and culture. It also serves as a reminder of the incredible beauty of our diverse communities.

It inspires us to celebrate our differences and recognise that we are all unique and important parts of the Body of Christ.

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.

There been a lot of poorly children of late. But these 2 classes did amazing.

The winners are CLASS 6 99% and no late marks! CONGRATULATIONS!!

Second was CLASS 5 – 98% and no late marks!

Well done to those classes and all the other children who came last week on time.



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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

Last Monday we celebrated mass online alongside pupils and staff who like us belong to the St Francis Hub. Thank you to Sophie, Adebayo, Zia, Josh, Lucia, Shallom, Lemuel, Nicola, Elizabeth, Mikolaj, Harry, Maja, Johnny and Meti who prepared and led us in the Gospel reflection. They shared that our schools are built on strong foundations of prayer, friendship, respect, acceptance, inclusion, and love. We can all play our part in continuing to build these through our various roles as Chaplains, Buddies, School Councillors, Librarians, House Captains, Eco Warriors. In doing so we continue to build our community and our play a positive Kingdom. They told us that we all are able to play a part in building God's Kingdom and to remember it isn't where we serve it is how we serve.



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PARISH NOTICES:

This Sunday is Prisoners' Sunday; this is the National Day of Prayer and Action for prisoners and their dependants as marked by the Catholic Church and across the Christian denominations. It is a day to direct our thoughts and prayers to prisoners, their families and children. Prisoners' Sunday is the time to reflect on how we as individuals, as a Church and as a community are serving those affected by imprisonment. Prisoners' families, prisoners and people with previous convictions often find themselves on the margins of society due to the social stigma associated with imprisonment. They are often forgotten or come lower down on the list of causes to 'hold a hand out to'. But the gospel of Matthew 25: 36 reminds us of our duties towards them; I was naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me. Prisoners' Sunday marks the first day of the ecumenical Prisons Week, a week of prayer which raises awareness of issues faced by those affected by the criminal justice system. Prisons Week was founded by Bishop Victor Guazzelli in 1975. Since then, Prisons Week has prepared prayer literature to enable the Christian community to pray for the needs of all those affected by prisons: prisoners and their families, victims of crime and their communities, those working in the criminal justice system and the many people who are involved in caring for those affected by crime on the inside and outside of prisons. We pray in particular for the work of Deacon Anthony who is a prison chaplain, and those who work or are held in our local prisons; Nottingham, Lowdham, Whatton.

What is a Synod? We will hear this word quite a lot in the next few months because Pope Francis has asked every parish across the world to join in a global conversation about the life and mission of the church. In our diocese, we will be asked to think about 6 questions across three months, all of which will ask us to think about what kind of church we want and are called to be and how we reach out to those on the edge of society and the church community. We will focus on communion, participation and mission. Watch this space for details as to how you can join in this conversation.

Live Simply – the group at Our Lady & St Edward's are inviting parishioners from all of our 3 parishes to attend a meeting to learn more about the Live simply initiative. It will be held at Our Lady & St Edward's Café on Thursday 14th October at 7 pm. The livesimply award is an opportunity for Catholic communities - parishes, schools, religious orders and chaplaincies - to respond to Pope Francis' invitation in Laudato Si' to "work with generosity and tenderness in protecting this world which God has entrusted to us". Do join them to see if this can be extended across all our parishes.

Sacred Heart Social Life – we had a wonderful get together to mark the opening of the new Community Centre. The Social Committee have met to plan the next year's worth of events – but they could do with one or two new members to help with the planning and preparation of events. Let Ann Oliphant, Shelia Parkes or Diane in the office know if you can help. Also, Karen Taylor is organising a weekly tea and coffee drop in, Thursdays 1.30 – 3.30. It would be good to get a little team together to help with this – let Karen know directly or let Diane in the office know. And finally, on the first Saturday of each month, there will be a social in the community centre after the 6.30 Mass with a few drinks, bit of music and an opportunity to get together. Let Tommy Deane, Frank Duggan or Martin O'Toole know if you can help out.

We pray for • Our Lady & St Edward's church and school; Wednesday is the patronal Feast day. There is only one Mass in the community that day, so we can all join together to celebrate. • Prisoners, their dependants and all who work in the criminal justice system. • The Sisters of St Joseph of Peace who are settling into St Joseph's Convent, next door to Sacred Heart Church. • All those who have been hit with the £20 reduction in Universal Credit. For some who have made this decision it is the price of their usual bottle of wine, for others, it means a parent going hungry so that their children can eat. • The work of the local foodbanks in Carlton and St Anns. Housed at the Methodist Church on Carlton Hill and Our Lady & St Edward's and on Robin Hood Chase, contact one of the Pastoral Team in confidence if you need this support, even for just a short time.

This Week: • Meditation Group's next meeting is by Zoom on Thursday 14th October at 7.30 pm. Meeting ID: 517630879 Passcode: 6em01w at 7.30 pm. <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/517630879?pwd=UysvOEIKSTBkVHINMWtMRDdkMEpUZz09> • Scripture Group: the next meeting is Thursday 14th October at 2 pm in the Sacred Heart meeting room. The Gospel reading to be focussed on is Mark 10:35-45. They reflect upon the Gospel reading for the forthcoming Sunday's Mass. Everyone is welcome.

Wednesday Word: A great resource for you to accompany children at home with the Gospel reading. This week's link:

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesdayword/happiness?pid=MTA101634&v=40>

This week, the Diocesan Council of Priests is meeting to consider the proposed merger of our three parishes. They will advise Bishop Patrick who then considers all the submissions and makes his decision.

Faith in Families and Missio boxes please return to the churches for counting.

Reading Ministry: If anyone would like to join the trader's rota please let the office know.

Keeping in touch: to receive newsletters and information by email please contact: cen@dioceseofnottingham.uk No email? If you are unable to attend church for any reason and no-one is able to drop a newsletter off to you, please let us know.

Home visits: We are building up visits to parishioners by the clergy, SVP and Eucharistic Ministers. If you, or you know of someone who might, want a parish visit, please contact the parish office so we can add names to the list.



WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY FRIDAY 8th OCTOBER

On Friday We are invited everyone in school to wear yellow to remind us that our mind, our thoughts and our feelings are important and that we should not be ashamed to talk about these things with each other. Miss Makings lead us in a well-being Assembly to start our day off.

Throughout the day the children took part in lots of lovely activities which they chose in their classes. Nursery went Bananas making hats, enjoying banana splits and playing together with lots of yellow toys.

Reception made fairy cakes and ate them whilst watching cartoons in the afternoon.

Year 1 played with squidgy playdough and cornflour to calm our brain and enjoyed hot chocolate and our favourite films.

Year 2 decorated cakes, painted positive emoji pictures, played together and had lots of fun!

Year 3 enjoyed a natural art afternoon, painting with berries, lavender, turmeric and of course mud!!

Year 4 enjoyed hot chocolate and a movie.

Year 5 enjoyed watching a movie and drinking hot chocolate and marshmallows.

Year 6 made their own popcorn and pancakes to enjoy as they watched a movie

Please look on Twitter @elseacademy at the photos.



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASSES IN BOLD ARE LIVE STREAMED

Monday 11 th October St Denis	9am (OLSE) 9:30am (SH)	MASS Rob Lennon RIP In thanksgiving for friends and family (Rivers)
Tuesday 12 th October St Hilda of Whitby	10AM (SA)	MASS Dom James Leachman OSB RIP
Wednesday 13 th October St Edward the Confessor	9am (OLSE)	MASS Peter Quang Tran RIP Patronal Feast of the parish – let's all come along and celebrate together
Thursday 14 th October St Callistus I	10am (SA)	MASS Brid Ridge – well being
Friday 15 th October St Teresa of Avila	9am (SH) 9am (OLSE)	MASS Rob O'Donnell RIP Mary Frettingham RIP
Saturday 16 th October	9:30am 6.30 pm	VIGIL MASS Fr Joe is covering Mass in a local prison. Pat & Cyril Peel RIP
Sunday 17 th October 29th 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 McQuaid & Corrigan family Fr John Cairns RIP Sr Mary Deane PBVM Sue Goodman and her dad RIP

HAPPY HALF TERM!!

School closes on Friday 15th October for half term and we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 1st November. Stay safe!!



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