



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?!

Last week as part of Forest School, children thought about International Women in Engineering. They were inspired by the stories of some famous female engineers as they made bridges, shelters and tried purifying muddy water.

Thank you Fr Chris for leading Mass on Monday to celebrate our House Saint - St Alban. He showed bravery and sacrifice like Jesus did. We don't need to swap clothes with a priest to be like him but we can put others before ourselves like he did.

This week we welcome a visit from Ann Neale who is a CAFOD volunteer who will work with all children across school. She is leading workshops focusing on the Jubilee Year of Hope and how that links in with our RE learning about Catholic Social Teaching.

Please make a note of important dates coming up:

16th July – Year 6 production 6pm.

17th July – Key Stage 2 Sports Day 1:30pm

18th July – EYFS and KS1 Sports Day

21st July – Family picnic at 12:15pm

24th July – Leaver's Mass at 2pm

25th July – Leaver's Assembly at 9:30am

Our remaining INSET Days of this academic year are 28th and 29th July. School will be closed for all children on these days.



STAYING SAFE ONLINE

Last week I sent a letter home to all families as we were made aware that some children in school are using an app called StarMaker.

This is advertised as for children aged 13 or above. The app can be downloaded from an app store to an iPad or a phone. The primary purpose of the StarMaker app is to provide a platform for singing karaoke songs and connecting with other music enthusiasts. Users can sing along to millions of songs, record their performances with various vocal effects, and share their recordings on social media. StarMaker also offers features like duet recordings with friends or popular artists, the ability to create music videos with lyrics, and online party rooms for karaoke sessions. **The age restriction for this app is 13+ and this is due to live streaming, invites to chatrooms and children being at risk of child abuse or exploitation.**



In addition to this, we still have a number of children who use Tik Tok posting videos of themselves online and Snapchat, where children use the filters to change their appearance. Both of these app also have location tracking systems on their apps. These apps have a minimum age of 13 and these are so children have the emotional intelligence and understanding what to do when they may be placed in an uncomfortable situation. Our children tell us they are downloading these apps and some have parent consent but some do not.

WORD OF THE WEEK:

MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP

3rd Sunday After Pentecost Year C

Word of the Week

Missionary Discipleship

First Reading
Canticles 1:18-20
Gospel Reading
Luke 9:1-17

Hebrew Bible
Psalm 135:1-6
New Testament
Mark 16:14-16

Missionary Discipleship is the call to share our faith with others. Missionary Discipleship reminds us that we must go out and share the love of Christ with others, to make the world a better place. Missionary Discipleship is a way of life that is full of joy and hope and in living our life in this way we can bring others to encounter Christ through us.

Find a way to put your faith into action this week to help others to Encounter Jesus

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:40	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (Please collect at 4:30pm)	
Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Girls Football (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:15 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Lacrosse (Year 4, 5 and 6)	All day 3:15 - 4:30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Tennis (Year 2 and 3)	3:15 - 4:30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Boys football (Year 4, 5 and 6) Mixed football (Reception and Yr 1)	3:15 - 4:30
Friday Breakfast Club	TB Sport:	3:15 - 4:30

ATTENDANCE SHOUT OUTS!!

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

Last week Year 3 and 4 achieved 99.06% and Year 6, year 5 and Reception also achieved above our school target of 97% with 98.67% 97.81%, and 97.78% attendance.



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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
21.04.25		25.04.25 Whole School Mass - Easter 2pm in church	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
28.04.25	28.04.25 Resurrection Rock led by Year 3 and 4 2:15pm 01.05.25 Year 5 Retreat - Joyful Mysteries Rosary	02.05.25 House Prize Afternoon	
05.05.25	05.05.25 Bank Holiday - school closed to all pupils 08.05.25 VE Day celebrations 08.05.25 Year 4 Retreat - Sorrowful mysteries Rosary 2pm	07.05.25 Rosary led by Year 5 2:40pm 09.05.25 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
12.05.25 KS2 SATs week	15.05.25 Year 6 Retreat - Glorious mysteries Rosary 05.23 Coronation Bank Holiday Monday, school is closed	14.05.25 Rosary led by Year 4 2:40pm 16.05.25 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
19.05.25		19.05.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 21.05.25 Rosary led by Year 6 23.05.25: Achiever's Assembly 10am	
26.05.24 HALF TERM			
02.06.25 Year 4 Times table checks	02.06.25 St Joan of Arc Feast Day 05.06.25 Year 3 Retreat afternoon Pilgrims of Hope 06.06.25 Partake in school - Yr 1		04.06.25 New parents meeting at The Becket
09.06.25 Key Stage 1 Phonics screening	12.06.25 Year 2 Retreat afternoon Pilgrims of Hope 13.06.25 Partake in school - Yr 3	09.06.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm	
16.06.25	19.06.25 Year 1 Retreat afternoon Pilgrims of Hope 20.06.25 St Alban Feast Day	16.06.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 20.06.25 :Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
23.06.25	26.06.25 Year 4 Retreat afternoon Pilgrims of Hope	23.06.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm	
30.06.25		30.06.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 04.07.25 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
07.07.25 Healthy Schools Fortnight	07.07.25 Transition Visits in school and Becket 08.07.25 year 6 visit The Becket	07.07.25 Whole School Assembly 2:30pm 11.07.25 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
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PARISH NOTICES:

Share the Word: The Parish is beginning a new scripture group, led by Sr Patricia and Fr Dennis. We will meet weekly to reflect on the upcoming Sunday Gospel whilst incorporating the 'Word' of the week into our reflections. It will be a great opportunity to encourage our Faith journey through scripture. Please join us, beginning on Wednesday 2nd July at 7pm in Our Lady & St Edward's Cafe.

First Holy Communion: at Masses next weekend, 6th July, the children will be presented with their certificates and gift from the parish. There will also be the opportunity to have a group photo.

Sacred Heart School has recently been accepted onto Tesco's upcoming Stronger Starts appeal. From 1st July to 30th September, shoppers will be able to vote for them using the blue tokens in local Tesco stores. The funds raised will go directly towards supporting their breakfast and after-school clubs, which provide essential wraparound care for working families and those in need. Their equipment has worn out so they are in urgent need of replacements to continue delivering high-quality care and activities for pupils. With the support of this appeal, they hope to create an even more engaging and supportive space for our children. Do support them.

Can you help! The Community Café at Our Lady & St Edward's on a Wednesday offers the wider community a place to come, talk to others, sit in the warm on a winter day and have something to eat with us. Unfortunately, our volunteers are thin on the ground and need your support. Could you offer a few hours on a Wednesday? The café is open from 12 -3 but set up and clear away time is needed. If you are able to offer some time, please contact the office for further details. There is a rota and training will be given. Thank you.

OTHER VOLUNTEER ROLES REQUIRED: REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS & CHURCH CLEANING. Contact Diane on ccen@dioceseofnottingham.uk

The African Catholic Community, in collaboration with the Gambian Christian Community in the East Midlands, will be holding a Praise Night on Friday 4th July, from 7.30pm, in Saint Teresa of Lisieux Church, Aspley NG8 3EP. The evening will be led by Marie Sambou Mendy, along with the African Community Choir. All are warmly invited to come and experience a night of joyful praise, unity, and spiritual upliftment.

Young Adults are invited to the Frassati Centre, Holy Cross Priory, Leicester on Saturday 5th July, arriving from 4pm, with a talk on Hope from Brenden Thompsen, Word on Fire, a hot meal provided, and Mass with Bishop Patrick, before finishing for 8.30pm. Donations on the door. Sign up beforehand is essential using the link

:www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/YoungAdultRetreatEvenin For more info contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

The Diocesan Catholic Youth Service is looking for its third and final Programme Leader to complete their programme team for the next academic year. Visit ndcys.com/job-vacancies or email recruitment@ndcys.com for more information. Closing Date: Friday 18th July.

Please pray for:

Mary Clare RIP; who died last week, funeral details to be confirmed.

This week

Community Café at Our Lady & St Edward's Wednesday 12.00

Share The word Scripture Group; 7 pm in OLSE café.

Community Café at Sacred Heart Community Centre Thursday 12.00

Meditation Group: our next meeting is on Thursday 3rd July in Sacred Heart Community Centre at 7.30 pm. All Welcome

Music Practice: Monday 7th July at Sacred Heart at 7.30pm. All Welcome.

Wednesday Word: Resource for children on the Sunday Gospel:

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/goodnews?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>

UPDATED FOODBANK ITEMS REQUIRED FOR THIS WEEK: Sanitary towels, tea, sugar, tinned garden peas, toilet rolls, shampoo, corn flakes, cereals, rice, tinned soup, potatoes, coffee, decaffeinated and ordinary. Thank you to those who continually support our foodbank for those in need in our parish.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY DATES COMING UP

Our Lady & St Edward's - first Sunday of the month – 6th July

Sacred Heart - Term time - next one 6th July

St Augustine's - twice monthly, second & third Sundays 13th July

Please bring children into the hall before Mass begins – registration form to be completed on the day for new children

Lourdes from Home – Sign Up Now! Join the Diocesan Pilgrimage from wherever you are, between Monday 14th and Friday 18th July. Free registration gives access to live streams and the chance to have your intentions taken to the Grotto. You can also order a Pilgrim Pack for just £10 (including UK postage) including prayer resources, the official pilgrimage book, a Robin Hood hat, and a candle lit in Lourdes for your intention at: dioceseofnottingham.uk/news/lourdes-from-home or email: communications@dioceseofnottingham.uk for more information.

Parish Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi –led by our Parish Priest, Fr Chris Thomas. Flying from Birmingham on Monday 3rd November and returning Friday 7th with accommodation in Rome for 2 nights and 2 nights in Assisi. The cost is £1056 per person plus £135 for single supplement. **WE HAVE 7 SPACES LEFT** - itinerary includes; procession through the Holy Doors, Mass in St Peter's, guided tour of the City, visiting the Catacombs and St Paul's outside the walls. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN GOING – PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE THIS WEEK AS WE WILL BE OPENING IT UP TO OTHER PARISHES

Word of the Week; Discipleship. Discipleship is all about learning from Jesus and following His example. It's about putting our faith into action, living out the Gospel in our daily lives. We can learn so much from Jesus' teachings, His compassion, and His love for others. As His disciples, we're called to do the same, to be a light in the world and share His message of hope.

Think of someone in need in your community who you can help and support this week.

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STAFFING UPDATE

As we approach the end of another academic year, I would like to inform you of staff changes for the new academic year.

Miss Makings will return from her maternity leave from September 1st so Miss Swaby will be leaving at the end of this academic year. We thank her for all the support she has shown to children and families in Reception this year and wish her well as she continues her teaching career.

After two years as a Teaching Assistant, we also say goodbye to Miss Smith who is leaving to pursue a new opportunity as an assistant Education Psychologist. We thank her for her hard work supporting children in EYFS and Key Stage 1. Finally, after over 20 years of service and supporting thousands of children on their journey through our school, Mrs Nicholson will be retiring at the end of term. There will be an opportunity to say our goodbyes, good luck and to thank them for their dedication later this term.

Our staffing structure for 2025-2026 is:

Nursery: Mrs Abbott (3 days), Miss Makings (2 days), Miss Bates and Miss Ho

Reception: Mrs Astley (4 days) Miss Makings (1 day) Miss Bassi and Miss Ho

Year 1: Miss Whitmore, Miss Wells, Mrs Harnden and Mrs Longmoor

Year 2: Mrs Harrison and Miss Carroll

Year 3: Miss Philbin and Mrs Landa

Year 4: Miss Greenwood (3 days,) Miss Callaghan (2 days) and Miss Dyer

Year 5: Mrs Wilson and Mrs White

Year 6: Mr Whittle and Mrs White

Enhanced Provision Team – Mrs Chyla, Miss Wells, Miss Bassi, Miss Dyer, Mrs Longmoor and Mrs Harnden.

Mr Jessop will continue to support with Forest School, PE and 1-1 mentoring.

Miss Callaghan will commence maternity leave in October so Miss Greenwood having class responsibility in Year 4 will bring consistency in the transition. We will inform you when we appoint Miss Callaghan's replacement.

MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 30 th June	9am (OLSE) 6PM (SA)	MASS Lucille Minihane RIP Reception of the Body of Maureen Hopkins
Tuesday 1 st July	10am (SA) 2pm Gedling	MASS Requiem Mass for Maureen Hopkins Funeral Service for Neil Webster
Wednesday 2 nd July	6pm (SH)	MASS M Ojo Birthday
Thursday 3 rd July St Thomas, Apostle	10am (SA) 7pm (SH)	MASS Margaret McMenamon Int Reception of the Body of Bridie Maguire
Friday 4 th July	9:30am (SH)	MASS Requiem Mass for Bridie Maguire
Saturday 5 th July	9am	MASS Mass in HMP Whatton
Sunday 6 th July Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am(OLSE) 10.15am (SH) 11.30am (SA)	MASS People of the Parish Isobel Mackay in thanksgiving, 90th B'day Mrs Rahille John-Baptiste RIP & Mrs Clair Giste RIP

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 4TH JULY AT 2:30PM

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN CHOSEN BY THEIR TEACHER TO BE IN ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK

NURSERY: Bianca and Joel

RECEPTION: Faustina and Freda

YEAR ONE: Janice and Jessica

YEAR TWO: Joseph and Nicole

YEAR THREE: Alex and Sophie

YEAR FOUR: Lilly and Zina

YEAR FIVE: Elijah and Sienna

YEAR SIX: Kyanna and Victory

PARENTS OF THESE CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND