



**WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?**

We hope you have all enjoyed a lovely May Half Term break with your children, spent some time with your family and friends and enjoyed the beautiful weather.

We look forward to beginning our final half term of this academic year and I know there are lots of engaging activities planned with your children. This half term, Forest Schools will continue with Year 5 for the next two weeks due to last half term being such a short half term and then will be the turn of Year 6 children with Mrs Harrison and Mr Jessop. Year 6 parents, please ensure you sign and complete the consent form your child will bring home over the next week or so to give permission.

**Please make a note of our remaining INSET days this academic year. The first one is on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June and 27<sup>th</sup> July. School is closed for all children on these days.**

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On the last day of last half term everyone in school, took part in the Colour Dash event to raise money for Lifting Children's Hopes Charity.

**Please ensure that all sponsorship money and forms are handed into the school office by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026.**



**WORD OF THE WEEK: TRINITY**

The Trinity is a mystery that we can never fully understand, but it is a central part of our Catholic faith.

The Trinity is the belief that there is one God who exists in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three persons are distinct from each other, but they are also one God. This special feast helps us reflect on how we understand God and inspires us to get to know him more closely in our lives.

Say a prayer this week to God the father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit and think about who God is to you.

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:45	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	
Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Girls Football (Yrs 4, 5 and 6)	3:15 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Mixed Football (Yrs R, 1 and 2)	3:15 - 4:30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Tennis (Yrs 1, 2 and 3)	3:15 - 4:30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Boys Football (Yrs 4, 5 and 6)	3:15 - 4:30
Friday Breakfast Club	No afterschool provision	

**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.

Congratulations to the following classes who achieved above our school target of 97% for the Lent term. Well done to Reception with 98.4%, Year 1 with 97.2%, Year 4 with 97.1%, Year 5 with 97.1% and Year 6 with 97.2%.

**School Matters!**



**Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow**

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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
13 <sup>th</sup> April	17.04.26 St Joan of Arc House point winners Treat	13.04.26 Whole School COTW – Mercy	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
20 <sup>th</sup> April	22.04.26 Earth Day 22.04.26 Year 5 Hagg Farm Residential	20.04.26 Eastertide Mass 9:30am	
27 <sup>th</sup> April		27.04.26 Whole School Colour Dash Assembly 01.05.26 Celebration Assembly 2.30pm	
4 <sup>th</sup> May		04.05.26 Whole School COTW – Witness 08.05.26 Celebration Assembly 2.30pm	
11 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>11.05.26 Year 6 SATs week</b> 12.05.26 Dental Health Survey for 5 year olds	11.05.26 Whole School COTW – Example 14.05.26 Ascension Day 15.05.26: Celebration Assembly 2.30pm	
18 <sup>th</sup> May	18.05.26 Becket Staff visiting Year 6 22.05.26 Colour Dash Event	18.05.26 Water Safety Assembly 22.05.26 Achiever of the Half Term Assembly	
<b>25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> June	Year 4 Times Table Checks 03.06.26 Year 6 Transition Meeting at the Becket 5.30pm 05.06.26 House Prize Afternoon 07.06.26 First Holy Communion Mass	01.06.26 Whole School COTW – Trinity 03.06.26 St Joan of Arc Feast Day	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
8 <sup>th</sup> June	Phonics Screening Check throughout the week 14.06.26 First Holy Communion Mass	08.06.26 Whole School COTW – Eucharist 12.06.26: Celebration Assembly 2.30pm	
15 <sup>th</sup> June	19.06.26 Awful Egyptians Year 5 Theatre Visit 19.06.26 Year 4 and 6 visit the Tennis Centre	15.06.26 Whole School COTW – Forgiveness 19.06.26: Celebration Assembly 2.30pm	
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	26.06.26 INSET Day- School is closed to all pupils. 27.06.26 Parish Summer Fayre	22.05.26 Whole School COTW – Acceptance	
29 <sup>th</sup> June		29.06.26 Whole School COTW – Follow 03.07.26: Celebration Assembly 2.30pm	
6 <sup>th</sup> July	06.07.26 Transition Day in school 06.07.26/07.07.26 Year 6 Visit The Becket 09.07.26 Life Education visit for years R-Yr 4 09.07.26 KS2 Sports Day 1.30pm 10.07.26 EYFS/KS1 Sports Day 1.30pm		
13 <sup>th</sup> July	15.07.26 Year 5 Visit The Becket 8.30	13.07.26 Whole School COTW – Gratitude	Report Open Evening
20 <sup>th</sup> July		20.07.26 Leavers Mass 20.07.26 Family Picnic 12.30pm 23.07.26 Achievers Assembly 24.07.26 Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.15am	
<b>27<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</b>		

## Coming up in the parish:

**SUMMER FAIR!**

Saturday  
27<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
1 pm

**OUR LADY & ST EDWARDS  
SCHOOL FIELD**

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

BBQ AT  
ST AUGUSTINE'S

SUNDAY,  
19<sup>th</sup> JULY  
AFTER 11 AM MASS

£10 adults  
children free

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## **PARISH NOTICES:**

### **First Holy Communion**

Beginning next weekend, we will celebrate the First Holy Communions of our young people. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they come to celebrate this special moment in their pilgrimage of faith.

On Sunday 7th June and Sunday 21st June there will be an additional Mass at Sacred Heart for this; the plan for the FHC celebrations was originally based on the previous parish weekend Mass schedule and many families had already made arrangements for travel and celebrations. The schedule of celebrations will be:

**Sunday 7th June – Our Lady and St Edwards and Sacred Heart**

**Sunday 14th June – Our Lady and St Edward's and St Augustine's**

**Sunday 21st June – St Augustine's and Sacred Heart**

### **Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June**

For the values of sports – let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

### **Children's Liturgy in Holy Family Parish Sacred Heart**

Saturdays, term time only in Sacred Heart Community Centre

#### **Our Lady & St Edward's**

weekly in the Community café

#### **St Augustine's**

2nd & 3rd Sundays in the Church Hall

Please arrive before Mass begins

**Sacrament of Confirmation:** Bishop Patrick will be with us on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm to celebrate this sacrament with our young people. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin their final preparations for this.

**Refreshments after Mass:** after each of our weekend Masses there are refreshments available in our parish spaces for people to stay and chat (SH Community Centre, OLSE Café and STA Hall). It is a good opportunity for us to gather socially after worship so why not spend a little time getting to know each other after Mass... good company, drinks and biscuits!

**Gateway Mission Project:** The church hall at St Augustine's has huge untapped potential as a centre for community outreach. With faith and imagination. It could be a cornerstone of our parish's mission in the neighbourhood and for the City of Nottingham. Join fellow parishioners on the 22nd June at 7 pm in St Augustine's hall to explore how we could realise that potential. Do join, Fr Chris, Diane, Paul Bodenham from the Diocese at the meeting. If you would like more details of what we'll be talking about, please email the office. We hope you can make it.

**Foodbank requirements this week:** our foodbank which supports local families require tuna and sugar (none in reserve), peaches, toilet rolls, biscuits, ordinary tea bags and washing up liquid. Thank you for supporting our foodbank, run by the SVP.

### **BE A MEMBER OF "THE TEAM" AT THE BRIARS, CRICH FOR 2026/2027**

Calling all young people/young adults aged 18 – 25. A great and amazing opportunity is open now for you to live in community at The Briars Retreat Centre as part of our new team. Being a practising Catholic take this time to grow in your faith and be open to a year of formation. Experience regular spiritual direction and training plus qualifications in facilitation, safeguarding and mental health first aid. Your accommodation, meals and a weekly stipend will be covered. Contact Erin Doughty, Director of NDCYS at [director@ndcys.com](mailto:director@ndcys.com) We're looking forward to hearing from you!

### **CAKE STALL: next Sunday, 7th June after Mass at St Augustine's.**

**Donations of cakes (and savouries) welcome.**

Bishop Patrick will celebrate Mass praying for the **Beatification and Canonisation of Venerable Mary Potter**, on Thursday 4th June at 1.00pm at Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham. This special celebration is an opportunity to come together in prayer and thanksgiving, honouring the life and enduring legacy of Venerable Mary Potter. All are very welcome.

**All Young Adults** are invited to join the Diocese of Nottingham and Pope Leo in Seoul, South Korea, for World Youth Day 2027: a week of Encounter and Discipleship with 100,000s of other Young Catholics. Please contact [charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk) by 31st July 2026.

**Volunteering in Holy Family Parish:** thank you to those who have completed the volunteer forms. Our Safeguarding Representatives are in the process of contacting you all and asking you to complete forms. Look out for yours, if you don't receive one, contact the office.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO .....

All our pupils who were recognised by their teachers during the Lent Term and were awarded Achiever of the Half Term. Kind, resilient, hardworking, happy, determined, immense, consistent are just a few of the many words used to describe you. **Well done to Ben, Bianca, Tony, Evanna, Imelda, Grace, Dorian and Emmanuella.**

Lots of children were awarded at least 250 house points over the term and achieved their Silver Award. Congratulations to:

**Michael, Iwar, Evangelina, Jason T, Isaac, Jesse, Tiara A, Jason, Myles, Elisa.**

**Freda, Hanani, Keisha, Chimmy, Koby, Sophie, Lyly and ThyThy. Kamara, Janice, Emily, Franklin, Olivia, Brenda, Alex, Princess, Joseph, Michael and Nadia.**

**Seweryn, Joyce, Mila, Anna, Jolie, Imani, Alicja, Piotr, Nicole, Milan S, Laura, Beverley, Samuel Z, Gabriel, Colby and Kevin.**

**John, Lou, Mark, Olly, Adam, William, Daniel and Dorian. Nikodem and Michelle.**

Huge congratulations to all those children who were awarded 400 house points to gain their Gold award. Congratulations to **Clara, Ebun, Janelle, Blanca, Livia, Ayla, Kezia and Kendrick.**

**Barron and Otis.**

**Evanna, Omolola, Janelle and David.**

**Alice, Jeremy, Sinobi, Andrei, Adiel, Rylinn, Isabel, Emmanuel, Havana, Joseph, Imelda, Anaija and Milan O.**

**Ebube, Chiwetara, Rebecca, Liam, Elizabeth, Chi An, Nell, Lena, Medet, Kendall, Amara, Grace, Michal, Byrian, Alex, Eliash, Sophie, Tsabaot and Joseph.**

**Oliver and Ethan.**

**Evelyn, Thomas, Martin, Jessica, Anthony L, Kian, Pacem, Elijah, Emmanuella, Cleondra, Amelia, Timi, Scarlett, Sienna and Hannah**

Class teachers have been checking your children's organisers each week to identify who has been reading at home at least three times per week, these children were awarded with a certificate to celebrate their hard work. These are our findings

**Nursery- 13 out of 23= 57%**

**Reception- 23 out of 30 = 77%**

**Year 1- 7 out of 30 = 23%**

**Year 2- 4 out of 30 = 13%**

**Year 3- 16 out of 32 = 50%**

**Year 4- 13 out of 32 = 41%**

**Year 5- 7 out of 32 = 22%**

**Year 6- 11 out of 32 = 34%**

This is very disappointing in some classes, and we hope to see an improvement over the last half term. We appreciate that parents are busy, but we would highly recommend that you support your child with this moving forward.

Thank you to the families who have supported this. We hope you see the positive impact you are making on your child's progress.

## MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Saturday 30th May <i>Mass of Sunday</i>	5.00pm Mass; SH	Leo McGuinness RIP
Sunday 31st May The Most Holy Trinity	9.00am Mass; OLSE 11.00am Mass; STA 11.00am Mass; SH	Eddie McCusker RIP For the People Italian Mass
Monday 1st June <i>St Justin, martyr</i>	9.30am Mass; OLSE	Deceased members of the Flynn Family
Tuesday 2nd June	9.30am Mass; STA <b>Mass in school</b>	Holy Souls
Wednesday 3rd June <i>St Charles Lwanga and companions, martyrs</i>	6.00pm; SH 7.00pm Mass, SH	Exposition and Confessions Edward Lane RIP
Thursday 4th June	9.30am Mass; STA 11.30am; STA	Bob & Edna Needham's Intention Requiem Mass for Elizabeth Power RIP
Friday 5th June <i>St Boniface of Crediton, bishop and martyr</i>	9.30am Mass; SH 11.30am; SH	David Brierley's Intention (80th Birthday) Funeral Service for John Griffiths RIP
Saturday 6th June <i>Mass of Sunday</i>	12noon; OLSE 5.00pm Mass; SH	Baptism of Freddie & Harriet Lauretta Moretto RIP
Sunday 7th June Solemnity of Corpus Christi	9.00am Mass; OLSE 11.00am Mass; STA 11.00am Mass; SH 2.30pm Mass; SH 5.00pm; Mass OLSE	For the People Tran Van Hai Perter's Intention Italian Mass First Holy Communion Mass Vietnamese Mass

### POINTS MAKE PRIZES!!!!!!

Last half term may have been quite short, but the children collected over **14,000** house points with their excellent behaviour and attitude to learning.

The final points were;

**St Alban – 3,767 points**

**Blessed Cyprian Tansi – 3,490 points**

**St Therese of Liseux – 3,480 points**

**St Joan of Arc – 3,481 points**

**Children in St Alban House will enjoy their prize afternoon this Friday.**

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