



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Last Monday all the children spent the day in their new classroom with their new teacher. It was a very successful day as the children were able to find out a little about their new teacher and also the expectations of a new curriculum and classroom expectations. This week you will also receive your child's end of year report sharing how they have achieved across all curriculum areas as well as behaviour, attitude to learning, relationships with peers and staff too. If you would like to discuss the report with your child's current class teacher, there will be an opportunity to on Wednesday 22nd between 3:30pm and 4:30pm, please make an appointment. On Thursday this week Year 6 will receive their delayed SATs results, we are confident their scores reflect how hard they have worked and applied themselves during the assessments in May. We celebrate our final mass of the school year on Monday 20th July when we will have an opportunity to thank all our Leavers for their contributions and wish them well. Mass will begin at 9:30am. **Please make a note of our final INSET days this academic year – Monday 27th July. School is closed for all children on these days.** As always follow us on [Instagram: elseacademy_nottingham](https://www.instagram.com/elseacademy_nottingham) for the latest news and photos.

STAFFING STRUCTURE 2026-2027

There are currently Teaching Assistant vacancies that need to be filled but we can share with you the following and update with full staff teams once we have made appointments.

Nursery: Miss Makings (3 days), Miss Philbin (2 days)

Reception: Mrs Astley (4 days) Miss Philbin (1 day)

Year 1: Miss Whitmore,

Year 2: Mrs Harrison

Year 3: Miss Callaghan

Year 4: Miss Greenwood

Year 5: Mrs Wilson

Year 6: Mr Tran

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

SUMMER PICNIC, ALL WELCOME

On Monday 20th July we host our traditional family picnic and games afternoon. This has always been a lovely community event. Any child who usually has a school dinner will be provided with a picnic bag. If you do not want this provided, please contact the office by the end of today. We will have a non-uniform day on Wednesday 15th July in return for a bag of sweets for our sweet tombola. We will also have face painting and games too.



WORD OF THE WEEK: GRATITUDE

Week 15 in Ordinary Time Year A

Word of the Week

Gratitude

First Reading
Isaiah 55:10-11

Gospel Reading
Matthew 13:23 or shorter

Hidden Bible
Psalms 118:19-24

New Testament
1 Thessalonians 5:12-22

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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!!

Miss Bradshaw is currently absent from work through illness; we wish her well in her recovery. In her absence Mrs Barfield and Mrs Rogers are monitoring attendance and SLT will carry out home visits where necessary. Congratulations to the following classes who achieved above our school target of 97% last week. Well done to **Reception with 98.67%, Year 6 with 96.43%, Year 2 with 96%.**

School Matters!



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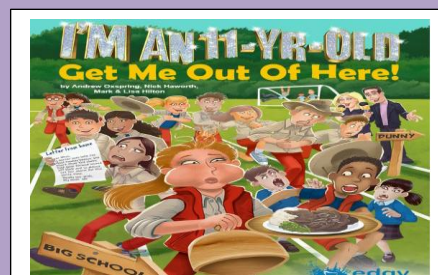


Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
13 th April	17.04.26 St Joan of Arc House point winners Treat	13.04.26 Whole School COTW – Mercy	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
20 th April	22.04.26 Earth Day 22.04.26 Year 5 Hagg Farm Residential	20.04.26 Eastertide Mass 9:30am	
27 th April		27.04.26 Whole School Colour Dash Assembly 01.05.26 Celebration Assembly 2.30pm	
4 th May		04.05.26 Whole School COTW – Witness 08.05.26 Celebration Assembly 2.30pm	
11 th May	11.05.26 Year 6 SATs week 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 th 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	
25th May	HALF TERM		
1 st 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 th 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 th 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 nd 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 th June		29.06.26 Whole School COTW – Follow 03.07.26: Celebration Assembly 2.30pm	
6 th 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 th July	15.07.26 Year 5 Visit The Becket 8.30	13.07.26 Whole School COTW – Gratitude	
20 th 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	Report Open Evening
27th July	SUMMER HOLIDAYS		

COMING UP

As you know over the last few weeks, Year 6 have been busy rehearsing for their Leaver's Production. They are all looking forward to performing to parents / families on Tuesday 14th July at 6pm. We will keep the children in school, provide them with tea and look forward to welcoming you from 5:45pm onwards.

If you are unable to come and watch please let Mr Whittle know who is collecting at approximately 7pm.



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PARISH NOTICES:

Sea Sunday: Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. This is when the Church in England and Wales prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. Your prayers for all who work on the sea, in our ports and harbours, and their families is the most important gift you can give. You can also donate in church via the Second Collection, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.

Receiving Holy Communion: Just a reminder that those receiving Holy Communion should consume the Sacred Host in front of the minister before moving away from them. This is important for the respect due to the sacrament. The General Instruction on the Roman Missal states "...when the faithful communicate standing, it is recommended that the faithful bow in reverence before receiving the Sacrament... The Priest raises the host slightly and shows it to each, saying, The Body of Christ. The communicant replies, Amen, and receives the Sacrament either on the tongue or in the hand, the choice lying with the communicant. As soon as the communicant receives the host, he or she consumes the whole of it." Please make sure that children are not unaccompanied in the Communion Procession. Walk with them and guide them gently in the queue to receive a blessing from the minister, so as to keep a good flow of people in the procession. The symbolism of the procession is important: it reminds us of the way that God nourished his people in the Exodus as they travelled for 40 years being schooled by him. In the same way, we are a pilgrim people journeying to our heavenly home and God continues to nourish us with the Body and Blood of his Son at every Mass.

CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal You can help our neighbours affected by the 24th June earthquakes in Venezuela with emergency shelter, water and food. CAFOD is already working with local Church partners to support people who have lost their homes, but we need your support to help more survivors. Your donation will provide essential supplies and help families rebuild their lives. Donate to the CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal today: <https://cafod.org.uk> or call 0300 999 0030.

Calling Parish Musicians or those who would like to be. The Diocese of Nottingham is partnering with One Hope Project to offer both spiritual and musical formation for parish musicians (or those who would like to be). The course will begin in September but there is an information meeting on Monday 20th July at 7.00pm on Zoom to explore what the programme is and how it can help you. To access the link please email team@onehopeproject.co.uk or visit: <https://bit.ly/OHPNotts26>

Whether you are a doctor, nurse, student, or allied profession; if you are a Catholic in healthcare join the Catholic Medical Association to grow in fellowship, prayer, and formation. For more information visit <https://catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk>

Please Pray for:

- Fr Chris, as he celebrates his Silver Anniversary of Ordination this Friday, 17th July at 7 pm at Sacred Heart. Do come along and join us for this special celebration.
- Teresa Marshall RIP – funeral details to follow

This week:

- Community Café at Our Lady & St Edward's: this Wednesday 12 – 3. All Welcome.
- Community Café at Sacred Heart Community Centre: this Thursday 12 – 3 All welcome
- Meditation Group: Thursday 16th July at 7.30 pm in Sacred Heart Community Centre. All Welcome.

Wednesday Word: Resource for children on today's Gospel. <https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/goodnews?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>

Sisters and Associates next meeting will be held on Saturday 25th July in the St Augustine's house. Contact the sisters for further information.

4-week Introductory Course in Meditation in the Christian Tradition Thursday evenings 10 September to 1 October, 7.30 - 8.30 pm in the Sacred Heart Community Centre In this 4-week course you will learn about the tradition of Christian meditation, and above you will learn by experience how to practice it. Each session will consist of a talk, a meditation period together, and time for questions and discussion. The session will last about one hour. If you cannot come to all, come to those you can.

Children's Liturgy: will be taking a break through August, the last one for Sacred Heart is NEXT Saturday 18th July. After Mass, in the Sacred Heart Community Centre, we will be having a CHILDREN'S PARTY with hot dogs and ice cream – parents to stay. Drop your child off before 5pm Mass in the hall for Children's Liturgy and they will rejoin you at the offertory. Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) allows children to hear and reflect on Sunday Gospel readings at an age-appropriate level during Mass and it includes simplified proclamations, discussions, prayers, and activities. Leaders read the Gospel in an accessible way, often followed by a short discussion or reflection. Sessions often include songs, activities, or worksheets that reinforce the weekly message and focus on compassion, hope, and understanding the faith – you can come with your child, especially if it's their first time. It will recommence in September.

Thanks: Kath Gill's daughter, Mary, and the family, would like to thank everyone for their letters, sympathy cards and Mass cards and for the donations to Hayward House, also, for the wonderful celebration of Mass.

Capacitar Group: Unfortunately, due to date clashes, the next meeting will be on Monday 3rd August in St Augustine's Hall. Contact Sr Treasa if you would like to know more.

Thank you to Liam: a parishioner's husband who works at our Internet provider company, for getting us back on-line and our phone working. We have our original number back - thanks again!!!

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Live Simply Tip: Aim to buy locally produced fruit and vegetables this month - look at the labels in the supermarket or greengrocers. If you are able to visit Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens or Stonebridge City Farm, they sell home-grown produce. For those lucky enough to have space to 'grow your own' please think about who in your neighbourhood might value your surplus. To contact our Live Simply Group, email: livesimply.holyfamily@dioceseofnottingham.uk



WARM WEATHER UPDATE

The warm weather is set to continue this week with temperatures in the East midlands reaching up to 30 degrees.

We want to reassure you as a school community we make changes to our planned day.

These include:

- Mr Bentley opening the windows upon arriving to school at 6am and closing them at 8:30am.
- Classroom blinds remain closed.
- Lights remaining switched off.
- Reduced time outside at playtime and lunchtime at the hottest parts of the day
- Changes to curriculum plan to avoid excessive movement
- Changes to lunch menu eg removing option of gravy or custard
- Cancellation of after school sports clubs, any payment would be refunded to parents to use wraparound provision.

As parents we ask for you to ensure:

- Children with long hair have it tied up.
- Every child has a hat and refillable water bottle. **We still have a high number of children in school without a hat.**
- Suncream is applied.

Thank you for your continued support.

MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 13 th July	9.30am (OLSE)	MASS Anna Nguyen Thi Thuy RIP
Tuesday 14 th July	9.30am (STA)	MASS Service of Word and Communion
Wednesday 15 th July St Bonaventure, bishop and doctor	6pm (SH) 7pm (SH)	MASS Exposition and Confessions Kitty Flood RIP
Thursday 16 th July Our Lady of Mount Carmel	9:30am (SA)	MASS Margaret Quinn RIP
Friday 17 th July	7pm (SH)	MASS In Thanksgiving – Fr Chris Silver Jubilee
Saturday 18 th July	5:00pm (SH)	VIGIL MASS Kevin Carney RIP (Anniv), John & Bridget Carney RIP
Sunday 19 th July Sixteenth Sunday of the Year (A) Sea Sunday	9am (OLSE) 11:00am (SA) 11.00am (SH)	MASS For The People Dominic Kelly RIP Italian Mass

CONGRATULATIONS TO.....

Evelyn in year 5 who has recently been presented with the Girl Guiding Gold Award by the Mayor of Gedling.
Evelyn completed all six theme awards followed by a final challenge.

Well done we are all very proud of your commitment.



PARISH COMMUNITY EVENT

BBQ

SUNDAY 19TH JULY AFTER MASS
AT ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH
TICKETS: £10 ADULTS
CHILDREN FREE

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM WELCOMERS OR THE OFFICE