



## Newsletter 31 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents,

The weather has not been kind this week so our planned Marion Liturgy outside went ahead in the hall. There was a lovely array of flowers with contributions from each class while they visited the hall separately for the liturgy on Monday. We will continue to pray to Mary especially in this month of May.

The weather did not improve during the week but it did not deter Year 4 as they continued with Forest School on Thursday and Friday. This week the four groups worked on building models of Anglo-Saxon dwellings. Let's hope we are storing up lots of good weather for the weeks ahead, including half term in a week's time.



### First Holy Communions

We wish every blessing to Lorin, Theodore, Darcie, Jake, Elsa and Riley (3Anning); Riley and Leo M (3Nightingale) who are taking their First Holy Communion this weekend. Have a very special day.

Congratulations to Evie, Tora, Sabina, Edward, Aoife, Tate, Nina and Alex (3Anning) and Olivia, Leo M and Una (3Nightingale) along with Shay (4Attenborough) who all made their First Holy Communion last weekend. The display of photos from their big day has started to grow in the classes. Please do send in a picture to your class teacher (or electronically to the office).

We are hoping to have a morning when children will be invited to come in their outfits for a celebration and class photos. This is likely to be the week of June 14<sup>th</sup> and Fr Brian is hoping to join us. If you are not making your First Communion we still want you to be part of the celebration

### RSE reminder

Our Relationships and Sex Education curriculum – A Journey in Love – will be taught this coming week in all year groups. This is a sensitive subject for Years 5 and 6 who will be catching up on two years of this curriculum. If you want to view the slides that will be used (as in our RSE policy) they are available on the website. Go to Learning and then RSE for a copy of our parent presentation that includes the slides and our approach.

Each year group has a different age-related focus with Years 4, 5 and 6 covering the previous year that was missed due to the pandemic.

Year 3: How we live in love

Year 4: God loves us in our differences

Year 5: God loves me in my changing and development

Year 6: The wonder of God's love in creating new life

Year 5 will be taught the key aspects of this learning on Mon/Tues (5M) and Tues/Wed (5E)

Year 6 will be taught on Monday - Wednesday afternoons

### Merit Certificates

The following children have been selected this week for particularly standing out as being shining examples of our Mission Statement – *Growing together in love and learning as followers of Jesus*

3Anning	<b>Sabina O'Reilly</b>	For fantastic learning with long division and a very positive attitude.
3Nightingale	<b>Lucas Robins</b>	Brilliant focus on learning and a good attitude to school. Contributing in Maths lessons.
4Jemison	<b>Ariella Mensah-Roberts</b>	For her outstanding sticky learning and application in arithmetic.
4Attenborough	<b>Joshua Power</b>	For his commitment and focus on his learning – especially for challenging himself in Maths this week.
5Mandela	<b>Maja Kelly</b>	Consistently working hard in all subjects and being an excellent role model for the rest of the class.
5Einstein	<b>Mollie-Mai Halden</b>	For her very positive attitude to learning. Great willingness to contribute in discussions and lessons.
6Johnson	<b>Erin Bowers</b>	For challenging herself in every subject, especially in English.
6Martin Luther King	<b>Evelyn Cook</b>	For showing great improvement in her writing since September especially in RE.

### COVID safety reminders

We are continuing with our current safety procedures and routines. Despite the reduced number of cases nationally and locally, there are still cases in the region and, if a positive case was to occur, we will be able to keep any self-isolation to a minimum.

Looking much further ahead, we have been advised to request that you are mindful of any quarantine arrangements that might be in place if you are booking any foreign travel towards the end of the summer holidays.

### Term Dates 2021-22

Our Term Dates for next year are on the website. <http://www.cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk/virtual-office/term-dates/> (please scroll down past this current year's dates)

## **Yr6 PGL Trip information meeting – date for diary**

We will be holding a Google Remote Information Meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 4.30pm for parents and children on the School Journey to PGL Liddington. Information will also be sent out to parents ahead of the meeting so we can answer any questions.

## **Hair Cuts**

I would like to clarify our policy on hair and accessories – below is the appropriate section in our Uniform Policy which is on the website. Please note that designs shaved into hair are not acceptable at school or extreme styles such as Mohicans. When style allows hair to drop over eyes, it must be clipped or tied back. Thank you for your continued adherence to our policy.

<b>Hair, Accessories and Make Up (Boys and Girls)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Boys and girls with long hair should use a blue hair band or tie hair back in a ponytail.</li><li>➤ Only blue accessories or blue or black / natural hair coloured clips should be used to tie hair back. Blue/white gingham hair scrunchies may be worn</li><li>➤ No extreme hairstyles e.g. shaved shapes in hair, colours, Mohicans.</li><li>➤ Children are not permitted to dye or perm their hair.</li><li>➤ No make-up or nail varnish is to be worn to school.</li><li>➤ No products such as styling gel or colouring should be used.</li><li>➤ Children should not come to school with tattoos or transfers on their skin</li></ul>



## **Reminders for next week**

### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>**

AM: JFK staff visit for Year 6 pupils moving to JFK in September

PM: Year 5 Maths Challenge Final (2 – 3.30pm) Please note later pick up for our team of four.

**May 31<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>:** Half Term

Have a very good weekend,

Mrs Smith  
Head Teacher