



Newsletter 33 11th June 2021

Dear Parents,

We are at the start of a busy half term with so much to engage the children and many events planned. Next week Year 3 have a particularly busy week so I have indicated at the end of the newsletter details of any changes to the normal routine.

We have had excellent attendance this week so thank you for all the precautions and care you have taken over half term to make this possible. We continue to work in class bubbles and to take precautions both in and outside classes but otherwise school life continue as normal.

On Thursday all classes watched Pope Francis' Fratelli Tutti National Assembly. Fratelli Tutti means "all brothers and sisters" and is the name of encyclical letters from Pope Francis. This third one encourages us to help build a better world based on friendship and love. I have had an immediate response from several children suggesting ways in which we can help others in need and with ideas of protecting our environment for the benefit of all. I will be asking our Chaplaincy team to help me in responding to these lovely suggestions and look to hold a non-uniform day before the end of the term in aid of CAFOD and their wonderful work.

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* – and developing strengths in our curriculum focus areas of Protecting the Planet; Resilience; Aspiration and Equality.

3Anning	Maisy Morton	For showing resilience in Maths.
3Nightingale	Kassel Mok	For settling in so well in her first week at St Cuthbert Mayne and showing a positive attitude to learning.
4Jemison	Klara Rogucka	For aspiring to excellence in spellings with great success!
4Attenborough	Poppy White	For her hard work during our Science Week – and demonstrating her skills as an aspiring photographer!
5Mandela	Oliver Tenny	For demonstrating the curriculum drivers by continuing to be resilient with this writing, even when it is challenging.
5Einstein	Jack Sells	For showing resilience and effort in swimming and English this week
6Johnson	Taylor Jones	For her amazing performance of her persuasive speech in English.
6Martin Luther King	Annabel Kelly	For her great work supporting her group to find ways to promote helping bees through the Yr6 enterprise project. Well done for finding another way for us to help protect our planet.

Head Teacher awards

Ethan Lockwood (3A) – for learning to join his handwriting so beautifully and for extending his vocabulary in his descriptive writing.

Yr6 PGL Trip

Thank you to the Year 6 parents and children who attended the parent information remote meeting yesterday. You should all have the handbook with further details of everything you need to know. Please return the parent consent form and declaration as soon as possible along with the medical form if appropriate.

First Holy Communion

Father Brian is visiting school on Wednesday to give a blessing to our Year 3 children who have made their First Holy Communion this year. Year 3 will also be taking leading a liturgy. Unfortunately, due to keeping bubbles secure, we will not be able to include any other year group/other pupils who made their FHC this year in this particular celebration. Year 3 children have been asked to come into school in their outfits and a class photo will be taken and shared with the class year group.

Children are asked to bring their school uniform with them. They will be changing out of their Communion outfits after the event and they will be stored in the Hall. Please could your child bring a hanger with them so dresses/suits can be hung on a rail.

Year 3 Children who have not taken their First Communion this year are invited to come to school in a smart outfit. They will be taking part in the liturgy and will be part of the class photo and class celebrations.

We had hoped to hold a similar celebration for Year 4s last year but were unable to due to the pandemic. It is not practical now to have a class photo in their outfits as many have grown out of them! Their First Holy Communions have been celebrated in class where there are lovely displays of individual family photos.

Finally we would like to wish Kaien, Woody, Aarun and Maisy (3Anning) a very special day this Sunday when they receive their First Holy Communion. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families. Congratulations also to Allegra (4A), Daisy, Ronnie, Delilah, Hannah, Hana and Lael (3Nightingale); and Freya and Sofia (3Anning) who received this sacrament during the half term holidays.

Be Spirited Day – Tuesday 15th June

This Tuesday we are holding our Be Spirited Day – a day of activities across the curriculum including art, music, dance, writing etc – with a focus on the current Year of St Joseph. Children, if they wish, can come to school dressed as St Joseph. Please note this is not a non-uniform day if your child chooses not to do this.

Yr6 Enterprise Project – Friday 25th June

Year 6 are currently working on an Enterprise project and are designing and making products to sell to other year groups. The items need to be Covid secure and engaging to children. Children will be filming a short advert for teachers to show to the other classes, designing posters that can be displayed around the school and a short advert for the school newsletter.

On Friday 25th June classes will be invited one “bubble” at a time to purchase items (outside) with the sellers wearing masks. Further details will be attached to the Wednesday email.

Sports Day arrangements

You are invited to our Year group sports days. These will start at 2pm each day:

Monday 21st June Year 3
 Tuesday 22nd June Year 4
 Wednesday 23rd June Year 5
 Thursday 24th June Year 6

In order to make this possible we will be asking parents to keep to a designated area of the grounds. We are ensuring the finishing line of the track is in full view for adults. Ideally we would ask for just one adult per child but please do not have more than two. The PA will be selling water and drinks and an ice cream van will be on site after sports day on each day. Toilet facilities will be limited.

Yr6 Tri-Golf – Tuesday 22nd June

A letter will be going to parents in the Wednesday email about a Tri Golf Competition for all of Year 6 on Tuesday 22nd June between 9.30 and 11am. Pupils will be walking to JFK (event venue) and back accompanied by members of staff.

NED’s Mindset Mission Assembly

As part of our curriculum themes on emotional well-being; building resilience and encouraging aspiration we are hosting a MEN Mindset Mission (online) next Friday. Pupils will learn the **Power of YET**, how to **spark courage** in others and how to keep **learning and growing**, even when we think we already know something. NED stands for **Never give up, Encourage others, and Do your best!!**

Parents will receive a letter next Wednesday detailing items that children may like to purchase following this assembly (eg a yo-yo). These will be available to be purchased after the event but there is no obligation to do so.

Reminders for the coming week

We have a busy week ahead particularly for Year 3. Please see the guide below to ensure your child is prepared for the different events

	Event	Uniform / non-uniform
Monday	Normal School Day	
Tuesday	Be Spirited Day – focus on Year of St Joseph	All children are invited to come dressed as St Joseph. Please note this is optional and it is NOT otherwise a non-uniform day.
Wednesday	Year 3 First Holy Communion liturgy Fr Brian will be joining us to give the children a blessing	All Year 3 children who have made their First Holy Communion this year are invited to come in their outfits. Those children who have not made their First Communion are also invited to come in a smart outfit for the liturgy and for the class photo.
Thursday	Year 3 - 3Anning Forest School	Those taking part in Forest School in the morning session should come to school dressed for Forest School and bring their school uniform with them. Those children attending the afternoon session should come to school in their school

		uniform and bring their Forest School clothes to change in to.
Friday	Year 3 - 3Nightingale Forest School	As above.
Friday	Yr5 Premier League Primary Stars Football	PE Kit
Friday	NED's Mindset Mission Assembly	School Uniform

A happy weekend to all and a special one for our children making their First Communion,

Best wishes

Mrs Smith
Head Teacher