

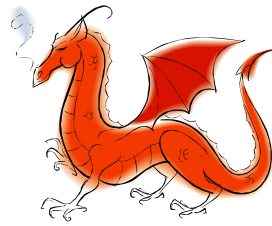
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Dear Parents & Guardians

I hope you all had a restful and peaceful Easter break - the weather was quite good some of the time too. Our last term of the school year - I can't believe we're already into the summer term.



The junior children celebrated St George's Day by attending early morning Mass at 8.55 a.m. Some of the children wore roses or red ribbons and others brought the English flag. It is about time that St George's Day played a more prominent role in our country. The children knew a lot about St George and his history as they told Father Michael at Mass! Mrs Mochel, mother of Arek, transformed Foundation's scarecrow into the Knight of St George which acted as a great prop for Mrs McMenemy's assembly for the infant and foundation children!

By the way, just to remind you that Father Michael celebrates Mass every Thursday at 8.55 a.m. This is ideal for parents and grandparents who drop their children off at school. Why not drop in and join the other parishioners? You will be most welcome.

Thank you to all who attended the Palm Sunday Mass. So many parishioners always make a point in telling me how lovely it is to see the children in their school uniform at church. The Year 5 children who enacted the Passion of Christ were fantastic! They really played their part in retelling the special event of that Good Friday as they acted, danced and read so reverently and sensitively. Very well done children - I was so proud of you all.

Amphitheatre

I was so surprised to see our amphitheatre completed and ready for the children to play in it! My thanks to Michael Buckley, father of Matthew & Georgia. Mr Buckley built the amphitheatre and made an excellent job of it indeed – Thank you Michael.



Mrs Doolaley – the Mother Duck

Our school site was obviously a very quiet and tranquil spot over the Easter holidays and according to Mrs Doolaley Duck, outside the infant entrance door was an ideal spot to make a comfy nest of soft downy feathers. She then proceeded to lay a clutch of around 8-10 sky blue eggs! Gosh, what excitement – probably mainly from yours truly - when the children discovered her as they came into school on Monday morning. We have cordoned off the quadrangle; drawn the curtains; covered some of the windows next to the nest site and put out water. With guidance from the internet the kitchen supplied mashed potatoes – though she didn't seem to like them!! However the children are allowed to peep and watch her sitting peacefully on her eggs. The worry now is: how will she get her new brood to the nearest water? According to the best advice from the RSPB and RSPCA we must leave mother duck and ducklings - she will find a way they say!



Sun cream and water bottles

As the spring sun shone down on us this week it was apparent that most of the children need a sun hat or at least some sun cream for playtimes, especially at dinner time play when the sun is directly overhead. This is good opportunity to remind you that we encourage children to bring a water bottle to school with them throughout the year and especially during this summer term. We all need to drink to help us think and stop us from dehydrating – great for the brain too.

Milk money

The termly Milk Money is now due for infant children from 5–7 years. Please send in £7.00 to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.



Sowing seeds

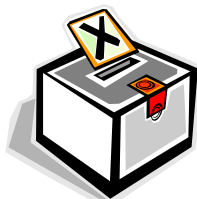
We now have a rota for planting our vegetables next week. Thank you Brendan Minihane, father of Darcy and Tara, for the manure to fertilise our raised beds.

FHT

The Car Boot Sale planned for tomorrow is cancelled.

There will be a meeting to discuss the Summer Fayre on Thursday 7 May at 7.30 p.m. in the School Hall. All are welcome so please do your best to come along - and bring your ideas with you!

Waitrose 'Community Matters' – Please add your green token to our box when you shop at Waitrose during the month of May! Please do your best to support us.



Parent Governor Elections

You will also receive today a letter with information and an application form; this is for a parent governor vacancy on our full governing body. Mrs Mary Dorrell's term of office finishes this month. Thank you Mrs Dorrell, for your work on our committed governing body that works behind the scene guiding and advising us, to ensure Holy Trinity continues to be an excellent school. If you would like to be part of this remarkable group of volunteers please sign up. Please be informed that it states in the information letter that the period of office is 3 years but it is a 4 year period of office.

Dates for your diary

Healthy Week	27 April – 1st May
Town Hall visit – Foundation 2	28 th April 1 p.m.
Basketball Rally at Magnus	28 th April 3.30 – 5.30 p.m.
Parents' meeting –First Holy Communion	29 th April 7 p.m.
“Pack Up Your Troubles” theatre company visit	29 th April - £1 per child
May Day –school closed	4 th May
School Photograph day	6 th May
Police Envoy to Albania talk	7 th May
KS2 SATs week	11 th – 15 th May
Assessment Week	18 th – 22 nd May
Perlethorpe visit – Foundation 2	22 nd May
Here I Am assembly	22 nd May
Half Term	25 th – 29 th May
Year 6 visit to the Hayes Centre	4 th June
First Holy Communion Mass	6 th June 10 a.m.
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Creative Arts Week	8 th – 12 th June
Garden Party	11 th June 3.30 p.m.
Whole School Mass - Corpus Christi	14 th June 10 a.m.
Key Stage 1 Sports Day	22 nd June 2.00 p.m.
Foundation Stage Sports Day	23 rd June 10.15 a.m. or 2.15 p.m.
Junior Sports Day	24 th June 1.30 p.m.
Arts Award Moderation Year 6	26 th June
Play in a Day - Mrs Easton's class	26 th June
Here I Am assembly	26 th June
Moot Day – nursery closed	2 nd July
Annual Reports Day	3 rd July
Summer fayre	4 th July
Parents' Evening 3.30 – 5.30 pm	8 th July
All Saint's Induction day Y6	9 th July
Briars Residential Trip Y6	13-15 th July
End of term assembly	17 th July at 2.00 pm
INSET day school closed	20 th July
INSET day school closed	21 st July
School Reopens	3 rd September

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