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**Weekly Newsletter**

**Friday 10th July 2015**



**Following in Jesus’ footsteps…**

**We pray together**

**We play together**

**We learn together**







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| http://www.educationcommission.org.uk/SiteImages/107.jpgCome and See |
| This week we have had a focus week and our topic has been Universal Church.  Each year group have learnt about different aspects of the universal church, through scripture, prayer, stories and a range of activities. |

**Our school Prayer**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at home,

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at school,

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless all the families of the world

**Amen**

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| Year Group | Achievement Certificates | Dojos  Certificate |
| Year 1 | Sofia  Nathan  Evan |  |
| Year 2 | Martha  Isla | Connie |
| Year 3 | Joe  Brian | Grace |
| Year 4 | Emmie  Ethan  Mya | Libbi |
| Year 5 | Katherine  Poppy  Jessica | Flynn |
| Year 6 | Ella  Zara  Alfie | Natalie |

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| **Classes for Next Year**  **As you already know Mrs McConnell will be taking up her new position as Headteacher of St Laurence’s School in Kirkby in September.**  **We are delighted to inform you that Mrs Evans has been appointed Acting Deputy Headteacher, we have also appointed a further two teachers, Miss Smith and Mr Rogers. Teachers will be allocated to classes as follows:-**  **Reception – Mrs Evans & Miss Smith**  **Y1 – Mrs Mitchell**  **Y2 – Mrs Edge**  **Y3 – Miss Sharratt**  **Y4 – Mr Rogers**  **Y5 – Miss Rooney**  **Y6 – Miss Ashdown**  **Mrs Guest has been appointed as a member of the Senior Leadership team and Mrs Evans has been appointed as the Special Needs Co-ordinator as well as Deputy Headteacher. As these roles will increase their Leadership responsibilities it has been a Governor decision to appoint an additional two teachers from September.** |

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| **What’s happened this week** |
| **Merseyside Games**  Last week eight of our children took part in the swimming finals of the Merseyside Games. As a Knowsley representative team alongside Plantation School and Southern Support the Knowsley team successfully gained gold medals and were overall winners of the swimming competition. Well done everyone; we are very proud of you.  **Visit to Sts Peter & Paul College**  Children in Y5 visited Sts Peter & Paul College on Wednesday to take part in a British Values Art workshop. The children spent the morning creating collages, using a variety of materials and textures. They were also taught how to weave a ‘God’s Eye’ decoration using bamboo sticks and colourful wool. The children had a fantastic time and produced some excellent pieces of artwork. Many thanks to Miss Hyland from Sts Peter and Paul College for inviting us, organising the morning and leading the workshop.  **Class Mass**  The children in Y4 went to Church on Tuesday to mark the end of their busy school year with a class mass. It was a lovely service and we want to thank Fr Michael for celebrating the mass with us and then visiting us back in school afterwards.  **Rugby Festival**  Selected children from Y4 went to a Rugby Festival yesterday at Widnes Vikings which was great fun. Many thanks to Mrs Featherstone and Mrs Guest who accompanied the children.  **Sports Day**  Thankfully the weather stayed good for us today and we were able to go ahead with sports day. The children had a wonderful time. Many thanks to you all for the wonderful support. |
| **What’s coming up soon** |
| **Playground Equipment**  We would be grateful if parents would please ensure that young children are supervised before the start of school and at the end of the day. We would also ask that children only play on the frame directly next to the playground under the direct supervision of their parents. Children should not be playing on the amphitheatre or in the outdoor classroom. Some children are getting hurt so we would really appreciate your support with this.  **School Meals**  Unfortunately food for the kitchen is ordered one week prior to being used and therefore we would be grateful if parents would try to give one week’s notice please if changing from a school meal to a packed lunch or vice versa.  **Reception Parent Meetings**  Mrs Evans will be meeting with parents on Monday 13th July. You should have all now received your appointments but please speak to Mrs Evans if you have not received yours.  **Dance Showcase**  Children in the Y3 class will be celebrating their dance showcase at the Theatre Royal in St Helens on 14th July. A separate letter has now been sent home. We have managed to ensure that all children will have three tickets each.  **Y1 – Y6 Parent Meetings**  Parent meetings for the rest of the school will take place on Wednesday 15th July. Appointment times have been sent home tonight.  **Rejoice**  The Reception Class will be holding their class Rejoice on Friday 17th July at 2.30pm. All are welcome to come along for this final activity for the Reception class before they join Y1.  **Y6 Trip**  Miss Ashdown has arranged a lovely trip for the children in the Y6 class to Gullivers World on Friday 17th July. I’m sure the children will enjoy a wonderful day.  **Y6 Leavers Play**  Children will be performing their Leavers play on Tuesday 21st July at 4pm. We do hope that you will be able to come along to support the children. Further information will be sent home by Miss Ashdown nearer to the date.  **Y6 Leavers Mass**  We are now happy to confirm that the Leavers Mass will be held on Wednesday 22nd July in Church at 10am. All are welcome to attend.  **Reception Trip**  Mrs Evans has organised a trip to Underwater Street in Liverpool on Tuesday 21st July for the children in the Reception and Y1 classes. A separate letter has been sent home. Please ensure that all permission slips are returned to school on Monday.  **Dinner Money**  This is a polite reminder please that all dinner money **must** be paid before the end of the school year in July. Dinner money is collected by the school on behalf of Knowsley Council. Your co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated.  **Morrisons Vouchers**  Congratulations all! Due to the amazing response we collected over nine thousand vouchers and were able to get our first ever greenhouse. This however needs a base. Mrs Wright has managed to obtain some flags but would be grateful for adult volunteers to lay them. If anyone would be able to give us a hand please call into the school office. |

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| **Spotlight on Reception Class**  This week we have been learning about God’s Wonderful World. It’s wonderful because we have good friends. Some people don’t have enough food and some in our class had more biscuits than others so we all had to share.  This morning we were racing. I won the running race and I won the sack race. We had to throw rockets and bean bags but we weren’t in the same team.  Mrs Evans was with me but adults couldn’t help but Mrs Evans doesn’t want to be a grown up!  Thanks to George and Jack |

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| **PTFA** |
| Well done to Y5 who were the class to bring in the most  cakes today. They will be enjoying an  extended playtime.  We look forward to seeing you all later on tonight at the Family Fun Night. Doors open at 6pm.  We would also like to thank Mrs Harris who recently planted and sold hanging baskets on behalf of the PTFA. Mrs Harris has sent in a cheque for £57.00. Many thanks for your support. |

**After School Clubs**

**Unfortunately all after school clubs are now finished until September. We would like to thank all staff who have given of their time voluntarily and all the children who have attended and made donations.**

**We hope that you have enjoyed them.**

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| **Additional Information** |
| We have been asked to let you know that Claire House the Children’s Hospice are holding a Family Fun day on Sunday 12th July from 1-3pm at Kingswood Community Centre in Westbrook, Warrington.  All proceeds will be given to the charity. |

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| **Diary Dates** | |
| July | |
| Monday 13th | Reception Parent Meetings |
| Tuesday 14th | Y3 Dance Showcase @ St Helens Theatre Royal |
| Wednesday 15th | Y1 – Y6 Parent Meetings |
| Friday 17th | Reception Class Rejoice @ 2.30pm |
| Friday 17th | Y6 Trip to Gullivers World |
| Tuesday 21st | Y6 Leavers Play @ 4pm |
| Tuesday 21st | Reception & Y1 trip to Underwater Street |
| Wednesday 22nd | Y6 Leavers Mass |
| Thursday 23rd | Break up for the summer at 2pm |

**And finally…**

**A positive thought for the week to promote discussion in the classroom and at home…**

I have the **courage** to stand up for my beliefs.



Many thanks

Mrs Hannah

