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**Weekly Newsletter**

**Friday 12th May 2017**

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**Following in Jesus’ footsteps…**

**We pray together**

**We play together**

**We learn together**



[](https://www.yourschoolgames.com/)

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| Come and See  http://www.educationcommission.org.uk/SiteImages/107.jpg |
| As we return to school after Easter the Church is still celebrating this great event. The focus of this term’s work in Religious Education is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World). The children will also spend one week studying Hinduism.  Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it.  Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit. |

**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.

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| book-tree.jpg  Book Tree  Please remember to visit our Book Tree at the front entrance.  You are more than welcome to borrow a book from the basket, however,  we would be grateful if you would remember to bring it back when  it has been read.  We are also looking for donations of books, in good condition,  to add to our book tree.  Thank you to all those children who have already kindly donated so far. |

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| **Attendance for week ending 5th May 2017** | | |
| **Year** | **Attendance** | **Weeks Won** |
| R | 90.5% | 8 |
| 1\*\* | 99.2% | 6 |
| 2 | 96% | 3 |
| 3 | 97.1% | 5 |
| 4 | 95.4% | 3 |
| 5 | 94.6% | 5 |
| 6 | 96% | 4 |
| **Whole School: 96.9%**  **National average is 96.3%**  **Well done Y1, you were our class of the week.**  **Well done**  **Unfortunately we had three classes where the attendance was below the National Average last week**  **.**  **We hope for an improvement next week.** | | |

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| [Image result for time to shine](http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=time+to+shine+pictures&id=5617E7635E9C7DAE9ACC0A860BBEA206FD876DCF&FORM=IQFRBA) | | |
| **Year Group** | **Star of the Week** | **Golden Table** |
| Reception | Hollie | Hollie  Tabitha  Joseph  Kai |
| Year 1 | Oliver | Olivia  Jasmine  Blake  Lucas |
| Year 2 | Oscar | James  George  Matthew  Amelia |
| Year 3 | Evan | Callum  Casey  Jacob  Dylan |
| Year 4 | Kian | Martha  Francesca  Kian  Alexander |
| Year 5 | Chloe | Erin  Brian  Phoebe  Chloe |
| Year 6 | Matthew | James  Oliver  Niamh  Sadie |
| **Mathematician of the Week**  Sophia – Reception,  Freya – Y1, Ellie – Y2,  Adam – Y3, Cole – Y4,  Erin – Y5, Libbi – Y6 | **Reader of the Week**  Leo – Reception, Howie – Y1, Amelia – Y2, Charlie D – Y3, Sophie – Y4, Zak – Y5,  Charlie – Y6 | **Writer of the Week**  Kai – Reception, Nathaniel – Y1, George – Y2, Nathan – Y3, Olivia – Y4, Oliver – Y5,  Liam – Y6 |
| **Well done to all the children involved.** | | |

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| **What’s happened this week** |
| **Y6 SATs**  Our Y6 children took their SATs this week. We would like to offer our congratulations to all the children for their hard work in the run up to SATs and their application this week. Special thanks also to Mrs Guest and Mrs Wright and all the staff who have supported the children so well. We hope that you all enjoyed your party this afternoon.  **Holy Communion**  Many thanks to everyone who came to the meeting on Monday evening. It was lovely to see so many of you supporting your children at this important time of their lives.  We look forward to seeing you all for the Communion Mass on Saturday 20th May. I’m sure it will be a lovely day☺. |
| **What’s coming up soon** |
| **This Morning’s Be Kind Campaign**  This Morning TV have recently launched a ‘Be Kind Campaign’ regarding bullying. I would really like  to encourage parents of children in Y5 & 6 to watch the video clip and then to watch it with your  child. The message is about encouraging children to think carefully about the things they say and about the importance of being kind. I would advise you to watch the video first before watching it with your child due to the hard hitting messages given from two mums whose children experienced bullying and the dreadful consequences as a result of the bullying. We continue to remind all our children about the importance of being kind during our assemblies and throughout everyday and continue to ensure that children know about bullying and the importance of speaking out.  **Y3 Swimmingswimming gala.jpg**  The children in the Y3 class will be taking part in swimming lessons next week on Tuesday 16th May and Thursday 18th May and Friday 19th May and again the following week from Tuesday to Thursday. Please note that the children will be going to Tatton Park on Wednesday 17th May and our annual Sports Day will be taking place on Friday 26th May and therefore the children will not be swimming on these days.  **Reception Class September 2017**  We will be welcoming our new Reception Class parents to a meeting on Tuesday 23rd May at 9.30am.The meeting is ideally for parents only. We expect the meeting and tour of the school to take approx 2 hours. A separate letter has now been sent home.  **Sports Day**  We will be holding our Sports Day on Friday 26th May. Children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 will take part in their races from 9.15am – 10.30am and children in Y3-Y6 will begin their races at 10.45am. All activities will be finished by 12pm. Please note that this activity is dependent on the weather and may be cancelled on the day itself although we will try to give you all as much notice as possible.  **Dogs**  We have been advised that dogs have been fouling on the school playground. I would like to remind all parents that it is an offence not to pick up after your dog and if this continues unfortunately dogs will no longer be allowed onto the school playground. We would appreciate your co-operation in this matter.  **Pick Ups**  We are noticing an increase in children who are being picked up late at the end of the school day.  As staff are busy in meetings and after school clubs we would be grateful if you could arrange prompt collection from the class doors please. Many thanks for your co-operation.  **Spinners**  It has come to our attention that a lot of children are bringing in fidget toys. As this is causing disruptions and arguments during lesson times and golden time we would like to ask all parents to please ensure that they are no longer brought into school. If we feel that your child would benefit from a fidget cube we will provide one and will let you know. Many thanks for your  co-operation in this matter.  **Data**  At certain times of the year statutory returns are sent to the Department of Education which includes information about the children on roll at school. This information can lead to additional funding for the school which is needed in these times of austerity. Information such as adoption and free school meals. If you think your child may be eligible please do call into the school office and I would like to assure you all that this information will be held in the strictest of confidence.  **Ice Packs**  We would be grateful if you could check at home please to see if any of the school ice packs have been sent home in error. We appear to be very short at the moment and would appreciate your support.  **End of the day**  This is a reminder please for parents to please notify us in writing if children are to go home with other parents at the end of the day. We cannot allow children to go home with other adults if we have not received notification and authorisation from parents. We would appreciate your co-operation in this matter.  **Walk to School Week**  Next week is Walk to School Week but we will be postponing it until the last week due to the Y3 trip. The walking bus will be Wednesday 24th May but further details will be known next week. |

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| **PTFA** |
| Many thanks to everyone who came to the recent meeting. A copy of the minutes has now been sent home.  The following dates have been set aside to generate prizes and gifts for the Family Fun Night:   * 19th May – tins and packets (Free chocolate, raffle ticket to be drawn at assembly) * 26th May (sports day) – boxed cakes (Wear trainers to school day) * 16th June – teddies (Teddy, raffle to be drawn in assembly) * 23rd June – non-alcoholic bottles (Free juice at break time) * 30th June – alcoholic bottles (Own clothes day) * 07th July – home-made cakes – HF Bake-off (Free raffle ticket for the Family Fun Night)   Donations of unwanted gifts, toys and books are welcome at any time.  Many thanks for the donations of sweets and chocolates. The children who sent in donations took part in a game of bingo.  The next meeting will take place on Thursday 29th June at 7.00pm in The Tavern – All are welcome. |

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| **Cronton C/E Nursery** |
| Are you currently thinking about a Nursery place for  your child?  Is your child due to start school in September 2018?  If so and you would like to find out more information about the nursery at Cronton C/E School and the 30 hour offer, please do come along on for an Open Evening on Tuesday 16th May from 5pm – 7pm.  All are welcome. |

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| **Spotlight on Reception spotlight.jpg** |
| We went around the school and garden to catch sounds. We could try to write the word or draw pictures of what we could hear. We were put into groups and I heard a funny sound and do you know what it was? It was the toilet flushing.  In Big Draw we had to write about the sounds and I wrote a sentence. A sentence always starts with a capital letter like The.  We have been reading The Hungry Caterpillar and we had a surprise in class as we got Caterpillars. They haven’t come out of the cocoon yet though. I think they stay there for about two weeks. They turn into butterflies that could be red and green, they’re my favourite colours as they are for Liverpool.  We had a cage but it had a hole in it so Beau lent us his. There’s always little holes in cages. You need to let them go though. You can have them for a little bit to look at them. It’s sad when they leave.  I like caterpillars as they are cute and tiny. My favourite colour is red and pink.  Many thanks to Mason and Hallie |

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| **After School Clubsex curricular.jpg** | | | | |
| **Day** | **Activity/Club** | **Year** | **Time** | **Please collect from** |
| Monday  These club will take place on the following dates:  24.4.17, 8.5.17, 15.5.17 and 22.5.17  (4 weeks in total) | Vikings Rugby – external provider  Tween Yoga – external provider  Guitar – external provider  Football | Years 5 & 6  Years 3, 4 & 5  Years 5 & 6  Years 1 & 2 | 3.20-4.15  3.20-4.15  3.20-4.00  3.15-4.15 | Y6  Y1  Front Door  Y2 |
| Tuesday  These club will take place on the following dates:  25.4.17, 2.5.17, 9.5.17,  16.5.17 and 23.5.17  (5 weeks in total) | Gardening Club  Netball  Football  Football  Tween Yoga – external provider | Years 3, 4, 5 & 6  Years 5 & 6  Years 3 & 4  Years 5 & 6  Years 1 & 2 | 3.20- 4.00  3.20-4.00  3.20-4.15  3.20-4.15  3.15-4.15 | Playground  Y5  Y3  Y6  Y2 |
| Wednesday  These club will take place on the following dates:  26.4.17, 3.5.17, 10.5.17, 17.5.17 and 24.5.17  (5 weeks in total)  With iPad starting: 19.4.17  (6 weeks in total) | Rise & Shine Dance  Cookery  Multisports - External provider  IPad with Knowsley CLC specialist teacher (External provider) | Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6  Year 3  Years 5 & 6  Year 3 & 4 | 8.30-9.00  3.20-4.15  3.20-4.15  3.20-4.15 | Y5  Hall  Y4 |
| Thursday  These club will take place on the following dates:  27.4.17, 4.5.17, 11.5.17, 18.5.17 and 25.5.17  (5 weeks in total) | Art  Multi-sports - External provider | Years 2, 3, & 4  Years 1 & 2 | 3.20-4.15  3.20-4.15 | Y2  Hall |
| Friday  These club will take place on the following dates:  28.4.17, 5.5.17, 12.5.17, 19.5.17 and 26.5.17  (5 weeks in total) | Rugby-Mr Walker  Film club | Years 1 & 2  Years 2, 3 & 4 | 3.15-4.00  3.20-4.15 | Hall  Y4 |
| **Please make a note of where to collect your child and let other family members know.**  **Many thanks** | | | | |

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| **Diary Dates** **Diary.jpg** | |
| **May** | |
| Tuesday 16th | Y3 Swimming |
| Wednesday 17th | Y3 Trip to Tatton Park |
| Wednesday 17th | Y5/6 Football Tournament 3.15pm |
| Thursday 18th & Friday 19th | Y3 Swimming |
| Friday 19th | Donations of tins and packets |
| Saturday 20th | Y4 First Holy Communions |
| Tuesday 23rd –  Thursday 25th | Y3 Swimming |
| Friday 26th | Sports day |
| Friday 26th | Donations of boxed cakes |
| Friday 26th | Break up at normal time |
| **June** | |
| Monday 12th | Return to school – Bell at 8.55am |
| Wednesday 14th | Y3/4 Football Participation Event 12.30pm |
| Friday 16th | Donations of teddies |
| Saturday 17th | Cronton Gala |
| Wednesday 21st-Thursday 22nd | School Councils Vist to Westminster/London |
| Friday 23rd | Donations of non alcoholic bottles |
| Thursday 29th | PTFA Meeting – Tavern Pub 7.00pm |
| **July** |  |
| Friday 7pm | Family Fun Night |

And finally......

The school value next week will be Forgiveness.

Please speak to your children about the importance

of forgiving one another as well as ourselves.



Kind regards

Mrs Hannah