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# St. Joseph's Newsletter

FRIDAY, 12<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017

## Mass Times

St Agnes: Saturday – 5.30 pm Wednesday – 7.30 pm  
Sunday - 11.00 am

St Aidan's: Sunday – 9.30 am

**BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY**  
*Year 6 had the best attendance & Year 3 had the best punctuality this week. Well done!!!*

## COLOMENDY MEETING

There will be a meeting for Year 5 parents to find out more about our planned trip to Colomendy when the children are in Year 6. The meeting will take place in Year 5 classroom on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> May at 3.15 p.m. Children are welcome to attend.

## YEAR 4 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We send our prayers and best wishes to our children from Year 4 who will receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion this Saturday. Enjoy your special day children.

## PARTY BOX LUNCH

On Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> May, we will be having a party box for lunch. The cost of a school meal on this day is £1.00 (for junior children only; Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 do not pay for school meals, as they are covered by the Universal Free School Meal provision). The party box will consist of a finger roll with either ham, tuna or cheese, a vegetarian sausage roll, packet of crisps, cookie or muffin and a drink. Jacket potato will also be available on this day.

## \*\*\*REMINDER\*\*\*

### YEAR 5 PARENTS' PUBERTY MEETING

There will be a meeting for parents of our Year 5 children on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> May at 2.00 p.m. with our school nurse. At the meeting parents will be informed of resources to be used with the children when delivering a puberty programme in school.

## WORSHIP WARRIORS

Worship Warriors starts after school on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> May until 4.15 p.m. for children from Year 5 who have secured a place. Thank you.

## YEAR 1 ASSEMBLY

Children from Year 1 will be leading an assembly about their Come and See topic "Holidays & Holydays" on:-

**Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> May at 9.10 a.m.**

Parents, carers, family and friends are welcome to join us.

## YEAR 6 SATs TESTS

There was a lovely letter read out on ITV some years ago regarding the Year 6 SATs and about how they are important, but only tell us about a small amount of what our children are capable of. I would like to share this letter with you again. I have changed it slightly to fit with our context, as we believe that our children are measured in more ways than just testing and that we are proud of all that they have become.

This week you had your SATs tests for maths, reading, spelling, grammar and punctuation. We know how hard you have worked, but there is something very important you must know:

The SATs tests do not assess all what makes each of you special and unique. The people who create these tests and score them do not know each of you the way that we do and certainly not in the way your families do.

They do not know that some of you enjoy sports or that you love to sing or draw. They have not seen your natural talent for dancing or playing a musical instrument. They do not know that your friends can count on you to be there for them; that your laughter can brighten the darkest day or that your face turns red when you feel shy. They do not know that you wonder about the future, or sometimes help your little brother or sister after school. They do not know that you are kind, trustworthy and thoughtful and that every day you try to be your very best.

The scores you will get from these tests will tell you something, but they will not tell you everything. There are many ways of being smart. You are smart!! Always remember that there is no way to 'test' all of the amazing and awesome things that make you, **YOU!!**

***"Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all" Aristotle***

## BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS

Before and After School Sports Clubs are on as normal next week.