

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



May – Month of Mary

May is a very special month as it marks the month of Mary.

This is a time when we take time to honour and respect Our Blessed Lady, the Mother of God and our Mother too.

"Our Mother Mary is full of beauty because she is full of grace"

Pope Francis

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Parent Governor Election

School have received four nominations from parents re our 2 Parent Governor vacancies. As a result, an election will be held.

Voting slips were sent home with children on Wednesday. If you have more than one child in school voting slips were with the oldest sibling. Every parent is entitled to one voting slip.

Please follow the instructions on the voting slip, you may vote for two candidates. Voting slips must be:

- Placed into the envelope (provided)
- Placed in a second envelope (provided)
- **Write your child's name and class on the second envelope**
- Returned to school by 3pm on Wednesday 5th May 2021

It is acceptable for ballot papers to be returned by post or via your child (handed to their class teacher). There will also be a ballot box in the main school Reception.

If you require any further clarification or have not received a voting slip, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Lambert, Clerk to Governors, in the school office.

Thank you for your support.

Term Dates and INSET Days 2021/22

Term dates for academic year 2021/22 can be found on our website by heading to the Parents tab and selecting Term Dates or by clicking the link below:

<http://www.paschalbaylon.org.uk/parents/term-dates/>

INSET days for next academic year 2021/2022 have now been approved. School will be closed to children on the following dates:

Wednesday 1st September 2021

Friday 18th May 2022

Friday 27th May 2022

Monday 18th July 2022

Tuesday 19th July 2022

Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 12.04.21 to 24.05.21	Y1	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday	LLS 12.04.21 to 6.07.21	Y1 & Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 14.04.21 to 26.05.21	Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Thursday	LLS 15.04.21 to 8.07.21	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 16.04.21 – 21.05.21	EYFS	3.15pm – 4.15pm

Diary Dates

School Closed – Bank Holiday – Monday 3rd May 2021

Local Election Day – School Open as Normal – Thursday 6th May

Feast Day of St Paschal Baylon – Monday 17th May 2021

School Closes for Half Term (normal time) – Thursday 27th May 2021

INSET Day (School Closed to Children) – Friday 28th May 2021

Half Term – Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2021

Children Return to School – Monday 7th June 2021

School Closes for Summer Break – Friday 16th July @ 1.30pm

INSET Day (School Closed to Children) – Monday 19th July

INSET Day (School Closed to Children) – Tuesday 20th July

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General/Important Information

Dogs



Please be aware that dogs are not permitted on our school site.

School Nurse

Parents/carers can ring the School Nurse directly, anytime, to make an appointment or discuss any issues/concerns you may have regarding your child.

Please call: 0151 295 9700

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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

This week, Elmer and Gruffalo classes have planted beans and they have been placed in different areas of our classroom. We have learned about what plants need to grow (water and sunlight) and have made predictions about which bean we think will grow the best. We will water and observe the beans over the next couple of weeks and then record our findings. After planting the beans, we talked through each step and learned how to write a simple set of instructions. In our busy time areas, we have completed observational drawings of plants and we have cut, ordered and labelled the different parts of a plant too. In maths, we have continued to practise counting, recognising and ordering numbers. We have also completed number sequences by writing the missing numbers. Homework this week reinforces what we have been doing in school. In RE, we decorated flags with colours and symbols of Pentecost. We then sang a Pentecost song and walked around the school waving our flags and sharing the Good News with others that the Holy Spirit is our friend. With only three more days until our chicks' hatch, we are so excited to come back into school after the Bank Holiday weekend to meet our cute and fluffy little chicks!

YEAR ONE:

We have been working really hard in Year 1 this week. In English we have been working on recounting events, we all wrote some amazing sentences in Friday! In R.E. we enjoyed learning about Pentecost and the how the Holy Spirit changed the disciples. In Geography we carried on our topic from last week and explored our local area and learnt about addresses. Remember to talk about your journey to school, as it will be super useful in next week's lessons. Remember to practise your spellings on EdShed before next Wednesday. We also would like to say congratulations to our class for winning class of the week last week, all the pupils really loved their prize on Friday afternoon!

YEAR TWO:

What a busy week for our Year 2s! We have been learning all about Pentecost and the message that Jesus sent us all after he had risen on Easter Sunday. We know how important it is to show love to one another and be grateful for everything we have. In Maths we have continued our work on Fractions and are now starting to find fractions of amounts. In English, we have written some beautiful setting descriptions for *The Wild Wood* in *The Wind in the Willows*. Finally, on Thursday we created pictograms in Science to show the amount of number of mini beasts we found on our nature trail last week. We look forward to a nice long rest this bank holiday weekend!

YEAR THREE:

Magnets continued to be the focus in Year 3's science lessons, this week. We explored magnetic field and investigated how similar poles repel, whilst opposite poles attract. In the English lesson, the children have been innovating a well-known fable – *The Tortoise and the Hare* and have been developing their use of powerful verbs, adverbs and direct speech. They found it particularly enjoyable thinking up names for their own characters – one fast character and the other a slow character (there were a lot of Sam/ Sydney Sloths!). As usual, we finished the week with a Rights, Respecting Schools activity – this week the children accessed Article 12 (the right to a voice in matters that concern them) when they were asked for their thoughts and ideas on how our school could be an even better place to be.

Parent Information regarding homework

Your child's weekly homework consists of:

Weekly spelling sentences: assigned through Google Classroom on Friday; due in Tuesday am.

Times Tables Rockstars: 2 Garage, 2 Studio and 1 Soundcheck – assigned each Monday; due each Sunday .

Spelling Shed: 5 games (or more!) assigned each Thursday; due Wednesday (to be tested on the Thursday).

Numbot games: as much as possible.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Year 3 Team.

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YEAR FOUR:

Another busy week in Year 4 has passed in the blink of an eye!

In English, we have been reading the Mousehole Cat, a story based on a Cornish legend. The children have explored the language used and then created their own similes and

personification sentences to describe settings and weather.

Continuing our work on units of measurement, Year 4 pupils have been converting between kilograms/grams and litres/millilitres. To finish the week, children have worked in groups to record their heights in centimetres and millimetres.

On Wednesday, we explored the power of the Holy Spirit and the difference that it makes to people's lives. The children were then given the challenge of creating a piece of work which celebrated this, using whichever medium they chose. Across the year group there were poems, artworks, posters, even raps! The Year 4 teachers were really impressed with their creative and imaginative responses to the lesson.

YEAR 5:

This week, Year 5 have loved writing their own Amazon Rainforest adventure story.

We have been so impressed with the flow of their writing and the ideas they came up with. In Maths, we have moved on from angles to coordinates and the children are beginning to realise that they need to read the x line, before the y line. In Art, the children enjoyed looking at mixing watercolours to create different shades of green for their Amazon artwork.

YEAR SIX:

Algebra was the focus of this week's maths lessons and we thoroughly took it in our stride. By the end of the week we were writing, solving and expressing our own algebraic equations. In History, we looked at how the Toxteth riots have shaped our city and answered a difficult question of 'can violence ever be justified?' Our new topic of myths and legends was a lovely start to the week recapping on all the myths we previously knew and the moral to the myth. Finally, in R.E, we looked at how and why the Jewish community celebrate Pentecost and how it influences their lives.

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KEEP IN TOUCH...

Download our school app from the App Store or Google Play. Please provide the school office with your email to allow us to invite you to use our app. Receive our weekly newsletter every Friday and keep up to date on events, term dates and much more!

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