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Newsletter - May 2026



The Summer term is upon us already! I do hope that all of our families had a lovely Easter break. Our children have begun the new term with their usual enthusiasm and zest for life - which is a joy to see every day! We are so blessed to live so close by to some beautiful countryside - I just love seeing the lambs in the fields and the daffodils and blossom. God created the most amazing world for us. Spring always makes me think of new beginnings. And I especially pray for peace around our world at this time.

Catholic Life and Mission

As we journeyed through Lent and Ramadan, all of our children took part in the Big Lent Walks in aid of CAFOD. The children had a great time on their walks, and thank you to all those who sent in sponsorship money for this worthy cause.

Collective Worship - Lent Reflections

Lent reflections were led by our Mini Vinnies on Friday mornings before school - thank you to all those who set the alarm earlier and came to join us in prayer.

During each day in Holy Week, each KS2 class led the whole school in a reflection. These were simply beautiful - our school family together, praying, singing and reflecting on the events of Holy Week. You can find photographs of these both on our website and on our Facebook page.

Routine medical appointments

To fulfil our monitoring of attendance responsibilities, from Monday 1st June if your child has a medical appointment during the school day eg; dentist, GP, hospital etc, you will need to either show the office, or email us a screenshot, of the appointment details - either a screenshot of the text message or letter/email. Without such evidence, we will be unable to authorise the absence. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

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Reading with your child

What pleasure this brings - and has such benefits! Every child in school should be reading for between 10-20 minutes per day - depending on the age of the child. For the younger children this can be an adult reading to them. Reading exposes children to rich vocabulary and is vital in the development of writing as well as speech and language. Please ensure that your child is reading, or being read to, every day. And please share that with us in their reading record. Many thanks.

CCTV

You may, or may not, have noticed that CCTV cameras have gone up around the exterior of the building - they cover all external areas. What a world we live in to need them!

Signs are on order to alert any un-invited visitors that CCTV is in use.

Use of staff car park

Just a polite reminder that the car park is for the use of staff and blue badge holders only. Permission must be sought from myself if you need to temporarily use the car park for a particular reason - we will give you a 'badge' to pop onto your dashboard. This includes when dropping off and collecting from Pre-School.

For all users - the car park cannot be driven into, or out of, between the following times:

8.35am - 8.50am and 3.10pm - 3.25pm.

This is for health and safety reasons as at those times the driveway is full of families either arriving or leaving school - and little people are not always predictable in where they are going to run!

On that note - now that we have CCTV we can see the length of the driveway and car park - we have been shocked at the speed that some people drive within our school grounds - please adhere to the speed limit and the entrance and exit times. We really appreciate your support on this.

Dates for your diary - May 2026

Monday 4 th		Bank Holiday - School closed
Monday 11 th - Thursday 14 th		Year 6 SATs week (early to bed!)
Monday 11 th - Thursday 14 th	8.20am	Year 6 Breakfast Club
Tuesday 19 th		EYFS trip to Cleveleys beach
Wednesday 20 th	9.30am	Service of Reconciliation for the Sacramental Programme children - parents welcome
Friday 22 nd	3.15pm	School closes for half term
Monday 25 th - Friday		School closed for half term
Monday 1 st June	8.40am	School re-opens for Summer 2

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I invite you to share this prayer at home with your child/ren

Loving God,

As we begin this new month, we bring our school community before you.

Bless every child and adult who walks through our doors this month.

Give us curious minds for learning, patient hearts for one another, and courage to do what is right.

Help us to grow in kindness, to forgive quickly, and to include those who feel alone.

We thank you for the gifts of friendship, difference and faith that enrich our school.

May our classrooms be places of safety, respect and joy.

Guide our leaders and teachers with wisdom and compassion.

Keep us healthy and hopeful in body and spirit.

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