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NEWSLETTER



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MASSES

Thank you to Year 6 and Year 4 for preparing our Masses this week and last, and of course to Fr Pat for giving us his time. The children were enthralled by his sermon on Friday last week, which was all about his childhood near Sherwood Forest with his older brother..... The point being that his older brother was his hero, who challenged him and made him take risks. Fr Pat reflected on the idea that sometimes we are challenged by God, and by taking the risk of following him we can become better people.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

The children in Year 3 will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time this weekend at one of the three Masses. **Saturday 6 pm** or **Sunday at 9.30am** or **Sunday 11.00am**. Please feel free to come along and share in their happy day!



MARIAN SERVICE

This year's liturgy of celebration for Our Lady will take place on **Friday 8th May at 9.30am**. Please try and join us for this very special school event. Flowers and posies to decorate the statue should be sent to school on the day please..... they will also be used over the weekend at Church for the same purpose. Fr Pat would like to invite everyone to the Masses at Holy Name Church on **Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th May**. Children will be able to decorate the statue of Our Lady at the side of the altar.

NEXT PTA MEETING

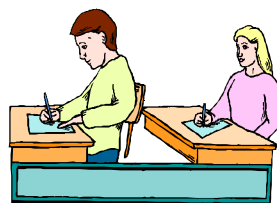
This will be on Tuesday 12th May at 7pm. Please come along and help to organise our Summer fundraising events.

PUBERTY EDUCATION (Y5)

The children in Y5 will be going through our Puberty Education Programme during the second half of this term. There will be an Information Evening for parents on Wednesday 13th May (7pm) which is intended to help parents understand the contents of these sessions and support children at home. All Y5 parents should try to attend.

PRE-SCHOOL GROUP

The parents of children who are coming into our Reception Class in September are invited to these sessions on **Tuesday afternoons from 2pm until 3pm**. Come along, meet new friends and enjoy the activities.



SATS WEEK

Thank you to all the Year 6 parents who attended the SAT's information evening on Wednesday 22nd April. KS2 SATs start on Monday 11th May and will last until Friday 15th May.

The children in Years 3, 4 and 5 will undertake optional assessment tests during this week also. Please help us to get the best from them all by making sure they are in bed early and have lots of good healthy food, especially a good breakfast every morning. We also remind you that water bottles are allowed in school for children to use throughout the day. There is lots of scientific evidence that shows children's brains work better when they are properly hydrated.

MUSIC FOR SCHOOLS WORKSHOP

Children from all over Leeds who learn to play instruments with Mr Stott and other MfSF tutors will be able to join a workshop day at Holy Name on Saturday this weekend. The day starts at 8.30am and will finish with a small concert at around 3.30pm. Pupils involved should have received letters.



VISITORS FROM ST PAUL'S

Our school council welcomed the council from St Paul's to share ideas and enjoy fruit! This is an on-going collaboration which is allowing both schools to share ideas. Thank you to Mrs Drury for organising this very worthwhile twinning.

BENINGBROUGH HALL TRIP (Reception)

The children in Reception will be learning how people lived in the past as they journey to Beningbrough for the day on Wednesday 13th May. A letter about this will be sent to parents soon.

FOOTBALL SUCCESS

Congratulations! The KS2 football team have won their final league game against Adel St John. They are top of their mini-league and now go through to the knock-out stage of the competition. Thank you to all the players and supportive parents.

KS2: FREDDY FIT

The Freddy Fit Roadshow returns to school on Thursday 7th May. KS2 pupils will be involved on this occasion. Please ensure your child has a full and clean PE kit in school on this day. The PTA usually help to pay for this so hopefully there will be no contribution required.



KESWICK 2009

There will be a meeting for the Year 6 parents on **Wednesday 6th May at 7 p.m.** We will be looking at the planned activities and answering any questions. You will also be asked to sign a consent form. It is very important that every child is represented at this meeting.

The children in Year 6 will be off on their adventure on 18th May. They will be spending a week in the beauty of the Lake District. We wish them lots of great times and a safe return!

NB: Mr Brennan and Mrs Lumley will not be in school all week commencing 18th May, as they are in Keswick with Year 6.

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL 2010

Unfortunately we have recently been informed that Lakeside House in Keswick is closing, after serving our school on an annual basis as a base for our Year 6 residential for over 20years. We would like to reassure parents of children in Year 5 that we are currently exploring a number of alternative venues for 2010 and as soon as we have decided what we are doing instead of Keswick you will be informed.

YEAR 4 ASSEMBLY

Year 4 class assembly is on **Thursday 7th May at 2-40.** All Welcome!



YEAR 6 SLEEPOVER!

The children in Year 6 will be able to sleep in their classroom on Friday 26th June!! We are just starting to organise some activities for them to do in the evening and if anyone is able to offer help please let Mr Brennan or Mr Delroy know asap. Children will be asked to

contribute **£10** towards School Funds.

BOOK FAIR

A big thank you to everyone who came along and bought books from the shelves. You have helped us to provide over £350 worth of additional classroom and library books for the school.

WELL DONE!!



'FUN SPORTS' CANCELLED

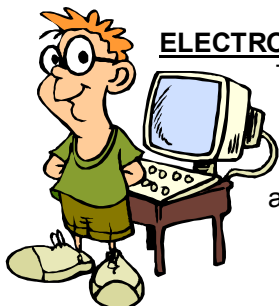
Children in KS1 who attend the Fun Sports sessions on our field on Saturday mornings will hopefully be aware that this club will not take place on Saturday (tomorrow). Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

WEBSITE POLL

Thank you to all those who have taken a few minutes to vote in our poll on the school website. There are only two questions, one for children and one for parents of children in Reception. We will share the results with you in the near future..... The poll will be closed on Monday and some new questions set up for you to answer.



ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER



Thank you to all those who have signed-up to receive electronic Newsletters instead of paper versions. You will not receive a paper version of the May 15th edition unless you specifically request one. Everyone else will continue to have a paper version sent via your child every two weeks. If you would like to sign up to the electronic version please register your email address in the INTRANET area of our website: www.holynameprimary.org.uk

BANK HOLIDAY: The school is closed on Monday 4th May. Enjoy the day!