



# Friday Flyer

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Summer Term 6

## Living, Loving and Learning Together in God's Way

### LEARNING



#### Stars of the week



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|-----|--------|---|--------|
| FS2 | Poppy  | 1 | Mary   |
| 2   | Samuel | 3 | Jaxon  |
| 4   | Jamie  | 5 | Joshua |
| 6   | Xander |   |        |

#### This week's Smile and Have Fun awards

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| FS2 | Evie    | 1 | Amelie  |
| 2   | Bethany | 3 | Eve     |
| 4   | Cole    | 5 | Eleanor |
| 6   | Caitlin |   |         |

#### Attendance Award

The results for week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> May are as follows:

Class FS2	97.06%	
Class 1	97%	
Class 2	99.13%	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Class 3	97.86%	
Class 4	98.62%	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Class 5	97.27%	
Class 6	99.29%	1 <sup>st</sup>

Congratulations to Class 6, well done!

#### Safeguarding and Reporting Absences

Parents are required to inform the school of the reason for a child's absence before 9.00am on the day of the absence. This can be done at any time by leaving a message on 01626 773905 or by e-mail [office@olsp-rc.devon.sch.uk](mailto:office@olsp-rc.devon.sch.uk)

Parents should telephone the school on the first day of absence. Parents of children whose absences are still unexplained by 10am will be telephoned on all contact numbers provided to the school. If school staff are unable to make contact with Parent/Carers, and no explanation of the child's whereabouts is obtained, the school will contact the local community police who will undertake a "safeguarding attendance" sweep of the child's given address. We wish to ensure the safety of children, especially for older year 5 and 6 children who may walk to school on their own. Please therefore help us in keeping us fully informed of absences from school.

## New School Uniform from September 2016

As a Catholic school, we strive at all times for excellence in all things. This includes our approach to the wearing of school uniform. There are often times when we are escorting groups of pupils into and around the local area, and members of the general public stop to say how smart and well behaved our pupils are. We are very proud of that! The wearing of full school uniform is vitally important as it contributes to the strong feeling of belonging and pride for children at Our Lady and St Patrick's. After consultation with Parents via the uniform survey questionnaires, meetings with staff and children through the school council, our governing body are delighted to announce the new School Uniform Policy for September 2016.

- The major changes are that grey skirts and pinafores are to supersede the green, those already wearing items of green in older year groups may continue until the items are outgrown or their child moves through the school.
- Foundation Stage 2 and KS1 children may wear the school polo shirt throughout the year. However we would encourage KS2 to differentiate themselves with shirt and ties. We would wish that year 6 children can tie a tie before they leave! ☺
- Girls may wear sensible shorts during the summer.
- We have a new local uniform supplier who will provide quality garments at reasonable prices.

GIRLS' UNIFORM	BOYS' UNIFORM
*Polo shirt embroidered school logo (optional shirt and school tie for classes 1 to 6 in winter)	*Polo shirt embroidered school logo (optional shirt and school tie for class 1 to 6 in winter)
*Bottle green pullover or cardigan with embroidered school logo	*Bottle green pullover with embroidered school logo
Grey skirt or pinafore (to be phased in, those on roll may continue to wear green skirt/pinafore)	Grey trousers
Green checked dress (Summer) Grey trousers (Winter) or shorts (summer)	Grey shorts (summer)
Plain white, grey, green or black socks or tights	Plain white, grey, green or black socks
Suitable dark school shoes – not high heels, sling backs, boots or open toed	Suitable dark school shoes (no coloured panels or flashes)

**Nursery children** may wear an optional Sweatshirt embroidered with school logo - available from our Suppliers

Some uniform items and accessories may be purchased from the school office. E.g. ties, water bottles, sun hats (in house colours). Other items available to order online or direct from our suppliers:

Riviera School Days  
Unit 4 Marble Court Business Park,  
Lymington Rd,  
Torquay,  
Devon  
TQ1 4FB  
Telephone: 01803 316702  
[www.rivieraschooldays.co.uk/](http://www.rivieraschooldays.co.uk/)

Children should have a haircut and style which is appropriate for school. Children with hair longer than collar length should have their hair tied back, with plain accessories. The wearing of jewellery, with the exception of small studs is not permitted. Watches are allowed, nail varnish or temporary tattoos are not permitted.

We are delighted that our pupils choose to wear the correct uniform and thank our parents for their tremendous support in providing a strong sense of belonging.

**First Aid Training** Yesterday year six undertook a 1-day basic first aid course delivered by the St John's Ambulance. The course covered how to provide first aid assistance in a number of scenarios including how to provide CPR. The course trainer was really impressed with the effort and achievements of all the children and they all passed. They will receive certificates in the near future. Well done year six!



## The Alice Cross Family Fun Day

Tomorrow, **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May**, there will be a Charity Fun Day on **The Den, Teignmouth, between 10am and 3pm**. Please pop down and join in the festivities. There will be craft stalls, activities for the children, a lucky dip raising money for the Friends of the School, and maybe a familiar face or two!

## Nursery Admissions

Children are welcome to start in our Nursery from the term after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday. We are currently welcoming applications for September 2016. The deadline for applications for this intake is **27<sup>th</sup> May 2016**. If you would like to come and visit our school please make an appointment via the school office.

## Class 5 Reporters' Account of the Class 1 West Town Farm Trip

"When we left school we were stuck in traffic for thirty minutes because there was a car in the way. The police came and found the owner and got him to move it. Then we got going for another thirty minutes, we then had to get on a minibus which took us down the lane and to the farm. When we got to the farm we put our bags away and jumped around on hay bales. We then went to see a pig and its litter of piglets. We then washed our hands and had a snack, we went through the rules and split into two groups. We went up to the field and we then had to guess how many apples were on the trees, we had to choose out of lots, a few and none. After that we went to another field and saw cows and calves. We went through an old orchard we then walked through ANOTHER field and picked wild garlic and stinging nettles. We then went back to wash our hands again and had lunch. We cleaned the wild garlic and the stinging nettles and made nettle and garlic bread. We added flower, sugar, salt, oil and water. We then were shown where bees live. We planted rocket dragons tongue. We then cooked the dough over the fire and tried the garlic bread. Finally we walked back up to the minibus and got back on the coach. By Sam and Lucy B, Class 5 Reporters.

## The Litter Pick, An Account by Ava Class 5

"On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May, our school held a litter pick. Class 5 went outside our school on Fourth Avenue. We were supplied with a grabbing tool and a bin bag, off we went! In the morning we found loads of rubbish. Some of the things we found that we didn't expect were: a number plate, a metal fork, a whiteboard rubber and duct tape. Wow! We were equally surprised. Later and earlier on that day other classes checked the playground, field and other littered areas around the school. As a school we collected 28 bags of rubbish and are now a litter-free school. Thank you to the school council for arranging it."

## Summer Camps Organised by the Plymouth Diocese

Each year there are "camps" held within the Plymouth Diocese during July and August aimed at young people who wish to have a holiday experience based around the Catholic faith. The origin of the Camps was to provide catechesis for children at non-catholic schools. Nowadays it provides a caring and sharing environment for all young people wishing to deepen their relationship with Jesus. Please find some more information attached to this Flyer. The camps are held in Grangehurst, a large residential house at Buckfast Abbey. They are open to all children and not limited to Catholics, but children will be expected to engage with the prayer life of the Camps. Information is also available through the camp's website [www.pdsummercamps.org.uk](http://www.pdsummercamps.org.uk) and applications for this year are now being taken.

## Upcoming Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2pm – 3pm	<b>The Heart Which Sees Meeting, in the School Hall</b>
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May to 5 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>HALF TERM WEEK</b>
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Return to school</b>
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June pm	<b>Queen's 90th Birthday Picnic on school field</b>
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Healthy Eating and RE Inspection Week</b>
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2016	<b>Inspection under S48 Inspection of Catholic Schools</b>
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	<b>Sports Day</b>
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Mass OLSP Church Y3,4,5 and 6 SS Peter and Paul 10am</b>
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Music Day at Buckfast Abbey Y6</b>
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Pilgrimage to Door of Mercy at Plymouth Cathedral Y6</b>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Summer Music Project Y5</b>
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Y6 Leavers' Liturgy in school hall</b>
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Friends OLSP Summer BBQ</b>
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>End of Term Mass and Last Day of Term</b>



# LOVING The Most Holy Trinity

*"Every time we make the sign of the cross, we draw closer to the great mystery of the Holy Trinity"*

Pope Francis



## First Holy Communion

The next meeting for children will be held tomorrow **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May from 10.30am to 12.30pm at Our Lady & St Patrick's Church when we will be learning to understand more about the Eucharist.** We look forward to seeing you there.

## Invitation to the Heart Which Sees Meeting

In March, the School hosted a 'Heart Which Sees' meeting, with Mr David Wells, parents, grandparents, carers and staff. It was a very productive meeting, outlining some of the areas of need in our community. We would now like to invite those same people plus any other interested parents and friends of our school to a second meeting to continue the good work that we started.



The meeting will be held in the **school hall on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May from 2pm - 3pm.** There will be staff available to supervise and young children in our Foundation Stage Unit during the meeting to allow visitors to focus on the work in hand and eat more cake! Please let the School Office know ahead of the date, should you wish to bring children with you.

## Sharing Sunday's Gospel

This Sunday the Church celebrates the feast of The Most Holy Trinity and we hear about how Jesus will send the Holy Spirit to be with the disciples once Jesus has died and returned to heaven. In school we will be thinking about how we too can have a relationship with Jesus with the help of the Holy Spirit.



This Gospel story is part of Jesus' farewell conversation to the disciples before he dies on the cross. So Jesus is talking to the disciples on the evening before he will be arrested and crucified. The disciples are all aware that this is the last time Jesus is going to be with them all and talk to them. I wonder how they felt about this?

Jesus says to the disciples that after he has gone, the Holy Spirit will guide them. The Holy Spirit will be their teacher and will speak to them just as Jesus did when he was alive and with them. The Holy Spirit will show the disciples what they must do and what they must say in Jesus' name.

The Son and the Holy Spirit are closely related to God the Father and are at one with God - this is what we call the *Trinity*. Trinity means *three* and we use it here because there are three persons - Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Their relationship is a relationship of being together but each having different tasks to do. Human language can never fully explain the mystery of God which is beyond our total understanding. Perhaps we can think of it a little bit like our families - we have mums and dads, sisters and brothers, aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews, cousins and grandparents. Whatever the size of our family, we know there are different people in our family who are of different ages, have different relationships and jobs, and live in different places, but they are all connected to us through our family bond.

We are all part of one big global family that includes everyone in the world. We are all God's children. We are all special, and even though we are all different we are all equally important. We believe that Jesus' promise to the disciples - that the Holy Spirit would be with them and guide them, is still true for all of us today and all people after us. So... we are thinking about how the Holy Spirit will guide us in the coming week, especially in the way we treat those we live with at home and in school and the members of our global family?



**During the month of May, as well as honouring Mary, we are trying hard to smile and have fun even when things feel difficult for us.**

**We wish you and your families a very happy weekend.**

**Mrs Sarah Barreto Head Teacher**

