

It has been a very long week (especially for Year 6) but it is wonderful to see some sunshine and feel like summer is on the horizon! Please make sure you have noted the 'Jubilee' celebration dates that I sent out last Friday.

Tuesday 24th May – Children to bring in their own portraits/art work of the Queen to go in our Exhibition for the Art Competition

Thursday 26th May – Children are invited to wear RED, WHITE and BLUE for our 'Best of British' Picnic

Friday 27th May – Children to dress up as a specific decade from the Queen's reign (Teachers will inform you of which decade)

*Determination
gets you a
long way*

- Chelsea Clinton -

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OF YOU

Year 6 SATs - We are very proud of our Year 6 children who have been fantastic this week! They have worked incredibly hard and have shown determination and resilience. It has been a long & tough week but every morning they have all given of their best. One of the reasons the children have taken this week in their stride is because they are prepared so well by Mrs Roberts, Mrs Bennison, Miss Whitehead, Mrs Salusbury, Mr Hinds and all the staff who have worked with your children in daily lessons and in weekly

tutoring sessions. They have helped build their confidence & helped them to believe in themselves. As I say every year the tests are just a 'snapshot' of where a child is in their learning at a certain time: the tests do not assess all of what makes our Year 6 children so very special and unique – they have so many talents!

Next week it is Year 2's turn to sit their SATs. **It is important that they are in school every day.** The children have worked incredibly hard all year but particularly over the last few weeks. Again, Miss Shutt has worked tirelessly with Mrs Fazakerley and Mrs Laing to prepare the children. We are all very proud of them and know that they will try their best. Good Luck Year 2....remember to think positively!!!!

ADDITIONAL HOLIDAY & INSET DAYS – Please ensure you are aware of the following INSET DAYS when school is closed to pupils.

Monday 6th June – Additional Holiday taken in lieu of Queen's Jubilee

Tuesday 7th June – Inset Day (school closed to pupils)

Wednesday 20th July – Inset Day (school closed to pupils)

Thursday 21st July – Inset Day (school closed to pupils)

First Holy Communion - This weekend a number of our Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 children will be making their First Holy Communion in Church. Last Friday they enjoyed a special retreat day together at Barnstondale, which helped them prepare for this important occasion.

They explored how God is truly with us when we receive Him in The Eucharist. We can trust him to be our guide as we face any obstacles in our lives and 'go in peace, glorifying The Lord by our light.' They had a lovely day full of arts, crafts, games and challenges that helped them prepare to make their 1st Holy Communions. We hope they all enjoy their special celebration tomorrow, please remember them in your thoughts and prayers.



ALL AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS START NEXT WEEK



It has been a busy week in school.....It was a wet afternoon in Forest School for our 2s and F1 children who made water-catchers, found some interesting bugs and some big leaves to imprint into clay on Friday.

Our two-year-olds have been taking care of themselves and each other, brushing their teeth, bathing babies and showing care towards others.

In EYFS, there has been lots of planting, digging, raking and watering going on. They are super busy making the world a brighter place with all their gardening work.

In 'Talk on Tuesday' in

Year 2, they discussed whether school uniform should be banned. They listened to the two sides of the argument. Opinions included - "uniforms show that we belong to the St Michael's family" but "they also tell strangers which school you go to". There was some lovely instigating, building and clarifying techniques used.

Year 4 are really enjoying their guitar lessons and have learned so many different tunes.

Our Eco-clubs have been working together to create a wonderful masterpiece using the bottle tops you have all been collecting. They can't wait to reveal their finished product to the whole school.



Love is life's greatest blessing. St Teresa of Calcutta once said, "Love begins at home, and it is not how much we do that matters.....but how much love we put into it." This week in the Gospel, we listen to the words of Jesus at the last Supper. Jesus gives his friends, the disciples, a new commandment – they must love one another as Jesus loves them, with whole-hearted and unlimited generosity. The new commandment which Jesus gave to his friends is for us too – today! Everyone likes to be loved and family and school life become more joyful when we follow Jesus' command to love one another.

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” -Mother Teresa



” Quotes-Central.com

I hope you have a lovely weekend, Mrs Ralph