

St Nicholas Catholic Primary School Newsletter

20th May 2016

Headteacher: Mrs A Folland



*Living and Learning in
Spirit and in Truth*

Stars of the Week

Abi Landon
Daniel Ward
Shon Thomas
Rohan Anthony
Robin Phillips
Chelsey da Rocha Lima
Sienna Mackenzie-Moore
Angelina Shibu
Luciana Avery
Niall Flavin
Olivia Domagalska
Karla Burns
Tahlia Tickle

Well done to you all!



Diary Dates

May

23rd EYFS Stay and Play 8.50 – 9.50am
24th Yr 3/4 Performance 2pm and 6pm
25th EYFS Stay and Play 8.50 – 9.50am
27th Non-Uniform Day
27th Break up for half term

June

6th Children return to school
7th New Nursery welcome talk
8th Class photos
12th First Holy Communion (Blessed Sacrament) 10.30am
13th – 17th Yr 6 children to Kilve
20th Class assembly led by Powderham 9.00am
21st Open Classroom for parents 3.15 – 5.15pm
23rd Sports day

Headteacher's News

The term is getting busier with lots of children out and about representing the school at a number of events. A big thank you to the PTA for their work in designing a new summer event for us – please make sure this date is in your diary as it promises to be a fun way to raise funds for the school.

We are currently working on a new report format in readiness for your child's annual report. The format will use the same language as we have shared with you this year but put more emphasis on success and next steps for children in the core subjects. Reports will come out in July.

Information

Pentecost Liturgy led by Drogo



Drogo Class led the Pentecost liturgy beautifully this week. Please see the website for more photos. We have also posted the lovely video made by Drogo Class of the Gospel, which was played at the liturgy and in which each child says a line.

Peripatetic Music Lessons

If your child wants to learn an instrument there are a number of teachers who come into school on a weekly basis to give lessons. As year 6 move on next year there will be spaces available from September. Please see the school website page under "Parent's Links" to find more details and contact information for each teacher.

Dress Down Day

A reminder that Friday 27th May is "Dress Down" Day when children can pay £1 to come to school in their favourite summer clothes. The proceeds will go to the PTA to be used for raffle and hamper prizes at the summer fayre.

Music System

The PTA have very kindly bought the school an outdoor music system that will be used from Monday to enhance positive playtimes. Yr 6 children will be responsible for playing song requests and we look forward to seeing much dancing and singing on the playground over the next few weeks.

Mrs Walmsley

Mrs Walmsley had a baby girl on Wednesday this week called Kara. She was 6.8lbs and is beautiful. Mother and baby are both doing well.

Sporting News

Swimming Trials

Congratulations to the children who were successful in gaining a place in the St Nicholas swimming team and who will compete in the Exeter Swimming Gala in June. They have a practice session on Monday afternoon at Middlemoor. We wish them lots of luck.



Girl's Football Tournament

Good luck to the girls taking part in the Exeter Schools Girls Football Tournament at St Peter's on Monday. They will be competing in a mini league against 8 other schools. We wish them well.



Reminders



Don't forget.....

- to regularly check the website news page and calendar
- to send in a dinner ticket if your child has had a meal without one. You will also receive a reminder text.
- to bring in evidence of any medical appointments your child has in school time for our records
- to bring in evidence of booked Able and Talented courses for our records.

Weekly Reflection

Holy Spirit, we ask you to give us the courage and the vitality to work for others and to bring about a better standard of living for all people throughout the world.
Amen.

Dinner Tickets and Parentpay

We have been short staffed in the Office this week and you will not have received any dinner tickets ordered online. We will distribute tickets next week and keep any that your child has used this week. We have also not been able to administer any payments made on Parentpay. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused and hope to resume normal service next week.

Choir at the Devon County Show

We are proud that our school choir were accepted once again as one of the performing groups at the Devon County Show today. We will post photos on the website of them performing on the Devon Hub Music Education Bandstand.

Wild West Lunch



The children enjoyed Yankee cheese burgers, southern sweetcorn, rodeo fries and a rootin' tootin' good' American cookie yesterday. Staff wore cowboy hats and the hall was decorated with cacti, sheriff's badges and even the occasional pony! There are more photos on the website. Watch out for our next special lunch on Sport's Day.

Parish and Community News

Diocesan Summer Camps for Children

This is to inform you that applications are now being taken for this year's Summer Camps for children. 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. 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 available through the camp's website www.pdsummercamps.org.uk. Information and an application form was also sent out via Parentmail.

PTA

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dress down for Summer

FRIDAY 27TH MAY

Bring £1 and come to school dressed in your favourite summer clothes!

All money donated will be donated to your PTA for Raffle Hampers and prizes for the school's Midsummer Fayre in June.

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Midsummer FAYRE

FRI 24TH JUNE

with Ceilidh by Pigs Might Fly

5.30-8pm

also including:

- BARBECUE
- Bar & Real Ales
- CAKES & REFRESHMENTS
- Bouncy Castle
- DANCE WORKSHOP
- Raffle
- FAMILY GAMES
- Glitter Tattoos
- ICE CREAM & SWEETS
- Face painting

entry £1 per adult children free

taking place in the school grounds

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Designated Child Protection Officer: Mrs Amelia Harding Deputy Child Protection Officers: Mrs L Stone, Mrs A Folland and Mrs S Beach. Named Governor for Child Protection: Mrs Lisa Thomas



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