



To follow Jesus' footsteps, caring for each other when we work, play and pray.

Friday 26th June 2020

Dear Parents,

It has been a lovely week here in School with the sun shining! The Pods have been working hard and teachers are busy writing the children's end of year reports, you will receive these in July, via Parent Mail so please keep an eye out for more information.

Staffing Changes and Classes for The New Academic Year.

On Monday, we welcome back from maternity leave, Mrs Hill our Vice Principal / Acting Head of School. Mrs Chambers will be stepping back to her previous role as Assistant Principal / Acting Vice Principal; we thank her for all the hard work and dedication she has given to the children and the leadership of the school in Mrs Hill's absence. As a school we are very lucky to have both Mrs Hill and Mrs Chambers working here for the children.

Mrs Prentice is leaving us this summer after 18 years to retire and enjoy the real side of life as is Mrs Halliday after 25 years of tireless service to the school, the governors, the PTA, the children and many families. We wish them both a wonderful and well deserved retirement.

We also sadly say thank you and goodbye to Miss Andrews and Mr Kay who are both leaving us after a year for pastures new!

Mr Lynch and Mrs Terry also revert back to their class roles in September, we thank them for their hard work with the additional management roles they have undertaken this year.

Therefore, the staffing and class groups for the new academic year will be as follows:

Current Class and teacher	Moving to	New Class from September 2020-2021
		New FYB - Mrs Bates
		New FYW - Miss Wood
<i>FYP - Mrs Prentice</i>	→	Y1E - Mrs Gray (Mrs Evans on maternity until March)
<i>FYR - Miss Rudd</i>	→	Y1L - Mrs Shiels (Mrs Leahy on maternity until December)
<i>Y1A - Miss Andrews</i>	→	Y2G - Miss Gavin
<i>Y1W - Miss Wood</i>	→	Y2M - Mrs Blunt (Miss Miller on maternity until October)
<i>Y2E - Miss Evans /Mrs Gray</i>	→	Y3B - Miss Birch
<i>Y2G - Miss Gavin</i>	→	Y3T - Mrs Terry
<i>Y3B - Miss Birch</i>	→	Y4I - Mrs Ives
<i>Y3I - Mrs Ives</i>	→	Y4F - Miss Fraser (new)
<i>Y4K - Mr Kay</i>	→	Y5Ga - Miss Gamlen
<i>Y4L - Mrs Leahy/ Miss Gibbons</i>	→	Y5Gi - Miss Gibbons
<i>Y5G - Miss Gamlen</i>	→	Y6L - Mr Lynch
<i>Y5L - Mr Lynch</i>	→	Y6H - Miss Harris

We welcome Miss Fraser to our teaching staff in September.

We also welcome Mr Sheehan, Teaching Assistant, he started after Easter during the lockdown.

We are currently interviewing for our Teaching Assistant to replace Mrs Halliday.





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Daily Mile Track

We have had our 'Mile a Day' soft tarmac Track installed on the side field - **9 laps equate to ONE Mile!!**

The children of Key Workers, FY and Y1 love it. A huge thank you to the PTA who committed to funding this wonderful addition to our outdoor provision. The children will be encouraged to use it throughout the day.

When we return back to 'normality', we would like to encourage any parents who, at the start or end of the day, would like to jog or walk **a mile a day** on the track to please use it. *(If your children join you please supervise them for their safety and the enjoyment of all)*
Thank you once again to the PTA!!!!!!



Competition Number 7

The most recent challenge asked children to create a famous landmark out of any resources they could see fit, as always we had some fantastic entries! The winners this week are Tommy in Year 2 who created a fabulous Big Ben and Isaac in Year 5 who created an amazing model of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and Opera House. You will receive a £25 gift voucher, donated by very kindly by the PTA.



Good Shepherd Mass

On Monday 29th June at 10.00am, there will be a special Good Shepherd mass taking place at St Chad's Cathedral which families will be able to celebrate via a live stream. All of the children in school will be celebrating this mass from their 'pods' so it would be lovely if the children at home could join us too so we can pray together.

<https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk/>





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Warm weather

We have been very blessed with the return of the warm weather this week and we hope it is here to stay. All children attending school must have a sun hat with them for protection and sun cream applied before coming to school. Please be aware that staff are not allowed to apply sun cream protection to children.

Cultural Capital for July

Please encourage your child to research and learn about the following:

Word of the Month – Minimise

Artist of the Month – Monet

Musician of the Month- Vanessa Mae

Influential Person of the Month- Shakespeare



*Father in Heaven,
Help me to know the Holy Spirit is with me when I feel nervous.
He gives me courage and confidence,
Jesus, lift my eyes to you I pray.
Amen*



Yours sincerely,

G M O'Hara
Executive Principal

Mrs L Chambers
Acting Head of School

