



*"Have patience with all things, but first of all with yourself."*

St. Francis de Sales

Dear parents/ carers

It has been a busy start to the new half term. It has been lovely to come back together again as a whole school for worship as we did on Ash Wednesday. COVID cases seem to be lower than they were before the holidays in the school but please remember to test your children if they have any symptoms and then isolate if they do test positive until they have had the 2 negative tests after at least 5 days.

### ***Non-uniform Day in support of Ukraine***

Tomorrow don't forget we have the non-uniform day to support Ukrainian relief. This is a national day arranged by First News and The Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC). Please wear yellow and blue and there is a voluntary contribution of £1.

### ***Nursery***

Don't forget about our wonderful nursery. We have updated our nursery page [here](#) with better information about what we offer.... Tell your friends!

### ***Dates for the rest of the year***

These are at the end of the letter and include the details of our first face to face parents evening since the pandemic began. Details on how to book this will follow soon...

### ***Attendance:***

Attendance at school is essential for children to make good progress as is arriving on time. Please make sure that your children are at school every day and on time. Our schools current overall; attendance is about 90% and this should be 96% - I know we had a major COVID outbreak in school but our whole school attendance is still well below what we expect it should be. Mrs Shirley and myself will be starting to make contact with families where we need to see a significant improvement in attendance.

God bless

Mr Lobb



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## Dates for the rest of the year

These are subject to change if we have further COVID issues(!)

### **March:**

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:30am: KS2 School Mass [at school] – Mother's Day theme

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>/ Thursday 31<sup>st</sup>: Parents Evenings in school

### **April:**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> 10am: Whole School Mass [in church]

Friday 8<sup>th</sup>: INSET Day – school closed to pupils

Friday 8<sup>th</sup>-Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>: Easter Holidays

### **May:**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bank Holiday – school closed to pupils

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>-Friday 6<sup>th</sup>: Year 5 Residential;

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> 9:30am: Class Liturgy [Miss Montgomery's class]

w/c May 9<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 SATs week

May 13<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 trip to Harry Potter World

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> 9:30am: Class Liturgy [Miss Doxey's class]

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>: May Procession [details to follow]

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>-Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June: Half term holidays

### **June:**

w/c 6<sup>th</sup>: Year 1 Phonics Screening

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> 9:30am: Class Liturgy [Mrs Barratt's class]

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> 9:30am: Class Liturgy [Miss Coxhead's class]

Friday 17<sup>th</sup>: Provisional date for School Summer Fayre



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Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> 9:30am: EYFS/KS1 School Mass [at school]

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:30am: Class Liturgy [Mrs Webster's class]

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am: Whole School Mass [Celebration of 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion children who will have made their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion the previous weekend]

**July:**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup>: INSET Day – school closed to pupils

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>/Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>: Class Transition Days (this may change)

Friday 8<sup>th</sup>: Sports Day (time TBC)

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>: Reports to parents

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 performance (time TBC)

Friday 15<sup>th</sup>: Reserve Sports Day

Monday 18<sup>th</sup>-Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 Briars Residential – details to follow

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> 10am: Whole School Mass [in church]

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>: Last day of the school year.

Parents are welcome at all masses in school and liturgies. Some parents may be able to attend masses in church – please look out for details (this is due to space restrictions). Please do come when you can – it makes them far more special to share them with our families.....



## Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God,

We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world  
that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine  
and for all the world.

Amen