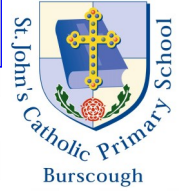


## Note from the Head

Our toddler group 'Curious Cubs' got off to a roaring start on Monday with 10 families coming along with their little ones to play and meet up. A huge thank you to Miss Riley for leading the activities and we are looking forward to sharing our wonderful facilities with more children over the coming months.

**Friday 24th April**



## School news

We are thrilled to announce that Mrs Merrill will be welcoming a new addition to her family this Autumn. While we will miss her during her maternity leave, we are excited to support her in this new chapter.

### Forest School for Class 1 and 4

Class 1 will have Forest School next Wednesday (29/04). They may come to school wearing their own clothing suitable for the outdoors.

**Ever held a Kingfisher?** Class 4 will get to do just that on Thursday when they take part in the annual Bird Ringing session over at Forest School. Please ensure your child comes to school in suitable outdoor clothing for this incredible activity. If you would like to help then please let the office know.



Due to this extra session, Class 3 will NOT have Forest School this week as they went Bird Ringing last year and we run it on a rota.

### School security

St John's operates a Closed Circuit TV (CCTV) system to improve security and ensure the safety of our staff, children and visitors whilst on site. A camera is now located in the entrance at the front of school. The system is set up in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018 and will be used specifically to:

- Maintain a safe environment
- ensure the welfare of staff and children
- Deter criminal acts against persons and property.

Images will be stored for one month and then will be deleted.

### Parish Events

Do you know how to support your child's spiritual development? Explore the Catholic Faith in the course 'The Creed in Slow Motion'. The theme on 7:30pm Wednesday 29th April in the Parish Hall is 'God'. Please see the poster attached

## **Mass times**

Mon 8:30, Wed 9am, Fri 10am  
Sunday 09.00 am      Saturday 06.30 pm

**26/04/26 4th Sunday of Easter**

***Gospel Reading: John 10:1-10***

The Gospel readings for this week help us to remember that Jesus is our Shepherd who leads and protects us. The readings tell us that those who listen to His voice find peace and new life. Peter calls people to turn away from sin and follow Jesus through baptism and faith.

Jesus says He is the gate for the sheep. He invites us to enter through Him and find safety, joy, and life in abundance. Like the early Christians, we are called to hear His voice and follow His way. This Sunday reminds us that we are never alone because our Shepherd always cares for us.

### Approaching the Gospel with children

Jesus says, "I have come so that you might have life – life in all its fullness." What do you think it means to have life in all its fullness?

Living life to the full doesn't mean having all the latest toys or the coolest clothes or the biggest house.

It means being the best person we can be, living our lives well and having the chance to use our gifts and talents for the good of all.

What gifts and talents do you have? What are you good at? Do you always make the most of the gifts that you have? Do you always try to be the best person you can be?

Let's do all that we can this week to live our lives to the full – doing all that we can to be the best people we can be and using our gifts and talents for the good of others.

And let's do all that we can to help others to live their lives to the full too – people here who we see every day and our brothers and sisters around the world.

What will you do this week to live life to the full and to help others to do the same?

## Supporting families

Attached to the email for this week are two fliers from the Lancashire Family Hub network. There are workshops available to support with:

- Inside Out worry course. To help your child to express and manage their worries.
- Solihull parenting. Understand emotional health, wellbeing, behaviour and more.
- Triple P Stepping stones. For parents of children with a disability aged 0-12 years



## Dates for your Diary

Week beginning 11th May - Year 6 SATs week

Tuesday 12th May - Parent Forum

Tuesday 19th May - Parent Reading workshop 2:30

Wednesday 20th May - Class 3 Forest School

Thursday 21st May - Class 4 Forest School

Friday 22nd May - School close for May half term

Monday 1st June - INSET day

Sunday 14th June - First Holy Communion

Thursday 18th June - Summer Fair

Tuesday 30th June - Parent Forum

Wednesday 1st July - Sports Day 1pm

Wednesday 8th July - Rocksteady concert 2:30

Tuesday 14th July - Year 5 and 6 play and Year 6 leavers evening 5pm

Wednesday 15th July - Year 6 Leavers trip

Thursday 16th July - End of Year assembly 2:15

## Forest School

Each class will attend Forest School on a rota this term

Class 1: 29/04

Class 2: 06/05

Class 3: 20/05

Class 4: 30/04, 21/05

On these days, children may come to school wearing their own clothes and suitable footwear in case it is wet outside. As we are outdoors it is likely to be muddy so scruffy



## Class Mass.

Children will attend 9 am mass on alternate Wednesdays with their class on the following dates. You are very welcome to come along and join us.

Class 1: 06/05, 10/06, 08/07

Class 2: 29/04, 03/06, 01/07

Class 3: 13/05, 24/06

Class 4: 20/05, 17/06



## Our value for this half term is - Perseverance

The following children were awarded certificates by their class teacher for showing courage this week. Well Done!

Class 1: Acer

Class 2: Arla

Class 3: Lily May



## The following children have been chosen by the Lunchtime Supervisors for wonderful behaviour!

Class 1: Kevin

Class 2: Maddison

Class 3: Emilia

Class 4: Ava

