Dear Parents and Carers

This week has seen the publication of the OFSTED Short Inspection letter following our inspection on 23rd May. We are very pleased to have maintained our “GOOD” status, and Mr. Cartlidge writes in glowing terms about the whole school community! The full letter can be found by visiting: https://is.gd/trX6kU.

Well done to all of our children in Year 1 and Year 2 who undertook the Phonics Screening Check this week – you've done brilliantly and we are so proud of all of your hard work. Thank you parents for all your support with this!

On Wednesday and Thursday of next week we will welcome two inspectors from the Birmingham Diocesan Education Service who will conduct a full Section 48 inspection into the Catholic Life, Religious Education and Collective Worship provided by the school. This has to take place once every 5 years in Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Please do come along to Mass in the school hall on Thursday morning to celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi with other members of the parish community.

Gary Linford (Head Teacher)

First Communion Mass
Saturday 15th June
St. Mary’s Church
12 noon

Please pray for the 30 children who will receive the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ for the first time this weekend:

Aimee, Anastasija, Borys, Callum, Chrispus, Clare, Ellie, Elliot, Francesca, Jack, Jakub, Joseph, Karis, Ksawier, Leo, Lilly-Mai, Marina, Maya, Mya, Niall, Nikodem, Noah, Oli, Robert, Rosie, Tate, Tom, Tom, Tony and Wiktoria.

Everybody is welcome to come along to join in this wonderful celebration of the Eucharist. We would be delighted if lots of other children came along to support their friends by joining in with the singing and helping to make this a really special occasion.

Dainty Little Hands After School Club

Please see the attached letter relating to a proposed Holiday Club for 4 weeks during the summer holiday. Also attached is a letter advertising a change to the pricing structure. We are aware that the after school club is not breaking even at the moment and is being subsidised by another of its clubs. It needs an average of 10 pupils per night to break even. The message is a simple one:

“USE IT or there is a massive risk of LOSING IT!”
£6.00 per night is still good value for money.

Children’s Liturgy dates:
23rd June & 7th July
Sunday Mass
at 10:00 a.m.

“Our community, growing and learning together with Christ”
Dates for your diary........

Monday 17th June
Y1 visit to RSPB Sandwell

Tuesday 18th June (evening)
Music Share Festival at
Lichfield Cathedral (Year 4)

Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20th June
Section 48 RE Inspection

Friday 21st June
Mufti Day (£1.00 per child)
This is in place of a bottle collection for the Parish Summer Fayre. If you would like to donate a bottle (of the alcoholic variety) for a limited raffle, that would be much appreciated, too! Thank you.

Monday 24th June
Class photographs (Full school uniform, please)

Monday 1st July
Infant Sports Afternoon on the School field from 12:45 p.m. (weather permitting)

Tuesday 2nd July
Junior Sports Afternoon on the School field from 12:45 p.m. (weather permitting)

Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th July
Transition days in school (“Moving up“)

Year 6 Production: “Ye-Ha!”
Supported by Year 4 and Year 5
Tuesday 9th July (matinee at 1:45 p.m.)
Wednesday 10th July (evening at 6:30 p.m.)

Tuesday 9th July
Nursery visit to the Severn Valley Railway

Wednesday 17th July, 6:30 p.m.
Leavers’ Mass at St. Mary's Church

Thursday 18th July
Year 6 Day Out

Friday 19th July at 9:15 a.m.
Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly in the School Hall
(including the Smile for Joel Award)

Monday 22nd July:
School is closed for a Staff INSET Day.

Monday 2nd September:
School is closed for a Staff INSET Day.

Multi-Faith
Week at
St. Mary’s

Lots of wonderful learning has been taking place this week across the school about the main world faiths.

Year 3 visited the Shri Venkateswara (Balaji) Hindu temple in Tividale.
Year 4 went to the Birmingham Central Synagogue.
Year 5 visited the Guru Nanak Gurdwara in Walsall.
Year 6 went to the Aisha Mosque and Islamic Centre in Walsall.

The infant classes have also been finding out more about the Christian faith.

Please visit the class pages on Class Dojo to find out more about what’s been going on!