

13th May 2022 St Edmund Campion Newsletter

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to all the children and their families who celebrated First Holy Communion at the Cathedral last Saturday and at Our Lady of Grace in Cotgrave last Sunday. I was very proud of them all, how they conducted themselves, the way they read and sang, they were a credit to themselves, their families, the Parish and our School community. We remember the children from St Ann's Parish in Radcliffe on Trent who will be making their First Holy Communion this Sunday. We wish them and their families all the very best and will keep them in our thoughts and prayer.

We look forward to celebrating with all the children who have made their First Holy Communion this year next Friday with a special Mass at 09:30. Parents of the communicants are invited to attend this mass.

SATs

I would like to send a congratulatory message to all our Year 6 children who have taken their SATs (Standard Assessment Tests) this week alongside all other Year 6 pupils in the country.

Their attitudes and application were exemplary. They demonstrated resilience and confidence. I am sure that our traditional SATs Breakfasts (Bacon or Sausage cobs) helped to ease any nerves and fuel their inspiration.

Thank you to Mrs Hoyle for cooking the breakfasts, Mr Bartle for setting up the hall, the parents for helping and supporting their children, the staff for their encouragement and care and mostly to the children for their positivity.

Parish Event

On Sunday 15th May, the Holy Spirit Parish will be holding an event in the Parish hall after 09:00 mass and after 10:30 mass. The various groups and organisations of the Parish will have tables there to share the work that they do and to let you know all about them. I will be there representing the school on a table so feel free to come and have a chat with me. This is a lovely way to get ot know about our Parish and all the wonderful things it does.

Update from the Office

When you collect your children from school, please avoid being on a mobile phone on school property. This includes the playground and the main school foyer. There have been a few incidents where parents have been using their mobile phones in the foyer and this is not permitted under our Mobile Phone Policy, displayed in the entrance way.

If your child is late and enters the school through the main entrance, please escort them to the office to ensure that they are dropped of safely. If your child attends a medical appointment, please accompany them to the office too, rather than dropping off at the gate.

Thanks to our online payment system, in person cash payments have reduced significantly. If, however, you require to pay for any service or visit with Cash, please could you ensure that this is done in person and you receive a receipt for the money given. We will not be able to accept envelopes handed across the window without a signed receipt, from both parent and office, having been given back to the payer.

Jubilee celebrations

Obviously the community of St Edmund Campion will be celebrating the Queens Platinum Jubilee.

On May 27th we will be marking each of the seven decades of her Majesty's reign.

Each year group will be celebrating a decade:

Foundation: 1950's

Year 1: 1960's

Year 2: 1970's

Year 3: 1980's

Year 4: 1990's

Year 5: 2000's

Year 6: 2010's

We are asking the children to dress in clothes from their decade. We will be hosting a whole school tea party. Children will be learning a special song and dance from their decade. We hope that it will be a day to remember!

Update:

As a part of our Jubilee celebrations, we are celebrating as a school by going back to each decade from the 1950s all the way to the 20th century. Each year group will explore a decade in more detail and learn more about that particular period of time. We have creating 'memory' artefact boxes for each of those decades. We are looking for objects that could go into these boxes (particularly from the 1980s, 1990s, 2000 and 2010). If you have any objects (including photographs or newspaper articles) from any of the decades that you are happy for the school to have or to borrow, could you please bring them to your class teacher. If any of you have memories from any of the time periods and you would be willing to come into school as a speaker this would really help to bring the history into life. Please let us know if this would be something you'd be happy to do.

Baptism

A number of parents have approached me to enquire about baptism for their children.

There may be many reasons why you have not managed to get your child baptised or you may be interested in the Catholic Faith for yourself or your family. You may just be curious. If you are worried about making sure that your child is baptised before they transfer to secondary school I would urge you to contact Father Michael sooner rather than later.

If you find yourself in this situation do not hesitate to contact our parish priest, Father Michael at the Holy Spirit Church 0115 9814271

Or email office@holyspiritwb.co.uk .

Father Michael will be able to explain what the sacrament of baptism involves and what is expected by way of preparation for your child.

Please don't be shy – Father Michael is very approachable and would be happy to talk to you and help.

Attendance

We take pride in our attendance at SEC and want to share this with you.

FOUNDATION	95.3%
YEAR 1	96%
YEAR 2	96.4%
YEAR 3	96.4%
YEAR 4	94.6%
YEAR 5	95.6%
YEAR 6	96%

Your support with ensuring all children have a good level of attendance is wonderful. Please remember that excellent attendance leads to amazing achievements. This week, we have achieved 95.8% attendance as a whole school. Our year 2&3 Pupils are overall attendance winners with 96.4%.

Looking Ahead

- 15.05.2022 Holy Communion at St Anne's Radcliffe on Trent
- 15.05.2022 Holy Spirit Parish Open Day
- 16.05.2022 Islam Week
- 16.05.2022 Girls Football at Solihull (National League Trophy)
- 17.05.2022 Parents Association Summer Fair Planning Meeting Creche Provided
- 19.05.2022 Year 6T Trent Bridge Visit
- 20.05.2022 Year 6S Trent Bridge Visit
- 20.05.2022 First Holy Communion Mass
- 20.05.2022 School Disco 13:00-15:00