

Pentecost. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to the Disciples just as he had promised so they could share everything that had experienced.

17th May 2018

Dear Parents

Thank you to Year 3 and their families for helping to make the First Holy Communion celebration such a special occasion. I would like to especially thank Miss Keane, who works tirelessly to make sure the children are well prepared, along with all the staff that support this important event in our community of faith. Thanks also to Fr Philip for a lovely mass

<u>Mass</u> – there will be a whole school Thanks Giving Mass on Tuesday 22nd May in Church at 9:20am, followed by a Communion Party in the school hall. Parents, Grandparents and Prayer Sponsors welcome. YR assembly will be on Friday 15th June.

Whit Sunday Walks - Sunday 20th May - the service will take place at the usual time of 2.30pm in Armentieres Square, processing from St. Peter's & St. Raphael's Church lead by Herod Brass Band. Please aim to arrive at church from 1:30 onwards as the procession will be ready to leave at 2:00pm. On return from the walks there will tea, coffee and refreshments in the parish hall.

<u>Picnic lunch</u> – on Friday May 18th, weather permitting, we will be having a picnic lunch to celebrate the Royal Wedding. Parents do not need to send anything extra to school as children who have a school dinner will be provided with a packed lunch.

<u>BookBus</u> – will be visiting us on Thursday 24th May 8:30am until 4pm. It will be parked on the playground all day. Parents and Children are welcome to browse before and after school. Each class will be taken over during the day to have a look – Juniors are welcome to bring money into school to buy during this time but the Nursery and Infants can only buy with an adult. A leaflet will be sent out nearer the time with the books and prices.

<u>Dinner Money/Nursery snack fund</u> — please would you bring any outstanding payments up-to-date; reminders have been sent out this week Please ensure that the correct money is placed in an envelope clearly marked with the pupils' name and class and handed to their class teacher, as we do not hold large amounts of change, alternatively you can pay through the Tameside website www.tameside.gov.uk school & education > school meals.

We will not be able to issue a school dinner to any child where there is a debt of more than £20.00. In such cases parents will be expected to provide their child with a packed lunch.

From September 2018 any pupils moving up to year 3 will not be entitled to the Universal free school meals therefore any meals taken will have to be paid for. Please see above with ways regarding making payment. If you wish your child to change to a packed lunch please would you let the office know by the 13th July.

<u>Year 6 dinner money</u> - please check with school office before making any payments in advance as any overpayments at the end of the academic year cannot be refunded.

Please note there is a slight school meal increase to £2.25 per day from the 1st September

School fund for the term will be £6.00 per family for the term payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School.

Nursery snack fund - for the term will be £21.00 payable to St Peter's Catholic Primary School; alternatively you can use the School Money on-line system www.schoolmoney.co.uk

Year 3 transition

<u>Current Year 2</u> – from September your child will require a school tie to go with the junior uniform. Ties are available from the school office priced at £2.80p each. The junior uniform list is available to download from the school website <u>www.stpeterstalybridge.co.uk</u> or collect a copy from the school office. Also see information above regarding universal school meals.

A KS2 internet form was sent home last week, please return this to the school office by Friday 18th May 2018.

<u>Birds of Prey</u> – the children will have opportunity to see a variety of birds and learn about their habitats etc. School have been able to subsidise this workshop but need to ask a voluntary donation of £1.00 per child from Yr R to Yr 6.

Residential Trips Robinwood 2019 – next year's trip deposit and permission slips are to be sent in by Friday 25th May.

Kingswood 2018— the instalments are now overdue; please would you bring your payments up-to-date. If you wish to pay by cheque, please make cheques payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School alternatively you can pay using the online payment scheme www.schoolmoney.co.uk.

Big Arts' Week - week beginning 18th June - each class will spend a week focusing on the arts. Our theme is The Sea

To finish Big Arts' Week, children can come to school wearing an outfit from their topic (pirates, mermaids, fishermen, fish, rainbow fish whales, sharks, sea captains etc.) on Friday 22nd June.

Parents are invited to take a tour around the classes to view the artwork on Friday 22nd June at 3:20pm

<u>Year 6 Bikeability</u> – this will take place Monday 21st May. To take part in this safer cycling course, children must be able to ride a bike and the bike must be roadworthy. This course will involve cycling on the road, once the instructors have deemed that the children have the necessary skills. Please note the instructors will not be able to teach children how to ride a bike.

<u>Community Events Inflatable party in the Park</u> – Sat 19th and Sun 20th May 2018 open from 10:30am to 5:30pm. For more information please collect a flyer from the school office.

Diary Dates

Friday May 18th – picnic lunch to celebrate the Royal Wedding

Monday 21st **May** – Year 6 Bikeability. Please note children must be able to ride a bike confidently to take part in this safer cycling course.

Monday 21st May – Birds of Prey workshop £1.00

Tuesday 22nd May – First Holy Communion Thanksgiving Mass 9:20am.

Thursday 24th May - BookBus

Thursday 24th May – Year 6 Kingswood parents' meeting 5:30pm in school.

Friday 25th **May** – school closes for half term.

Monday 18th **June** – Big Arts' week, The Sea. **Friday 22**nd **June** - dress up day (pirates, mermaids, fishermen, fish, rainbow fish whales, sharks, sea captains etc.) Parents tour around class.

Friday 6th July – Year 4 class trip Castleton.

Year 6 Leaver's Events

Tuesday 17th July –summer production 6:00pm (Year 3,4, 5 & 6)

Tuesday 24th July - Leaver's Assembly 9:15

Wednesday 25th July – Leaver's party – pm

Thursday 26th **July** – Leaver's mass 9:15am. School closes at 2:00pm on this day.

Kind regards