6th May 2022

Dear Parents

**May procession** – We had our May procession on Thursday and it was lovely to have so many parents able to join us for the first time in over 2 years! The sun shone and it was lovely to come together as a school community to honour Mary. Thank you to everyone who brought in plants, Tony has been busy planting them at the front of school. A special thank you to Fr Stewart for coming to lead our service and to bless all the plants. Our procession was made extra special by all the musicians and children who made up a choir for the occasion. A special thank you to Ms Phillips, Lynne and Sean for all their hard work practising with the children. Also, a big thank you to Izzy Chrysanthou for making a beautiful crown of flowers for the statue of Our Lady in the prayer area.

**May is the month of Mary** – Everyone is invited to come and join us praying a decade of the rosary each morning at 8.50am at the front of school.

**Parent Governor Vacancies** – Please make sure you read the email sent about this earlier this week.

**Girls Football** – The girls from years 4 & 5 played against Merryhills on Wednesday. Both teams played extremely well with mixed fortunes. Unfortunately, the Yellow team were beaten 4-1, however the Green team were victorious with a score of 4-1! Well done girls!

**Last One Standing** – Our three participants are still standing after successful choices at the weekend. Good luck to Leonardo, Xander and Mrs Duffy for this weekend!

**House teams** – After announcing our house captains and vice captains last week we are now in the process of reintroducing house teams. During the pandemic KS1 children weren’t allocated a house team, we are reinstating the house teams and taking the opportunity to allocate and reorganise the teams slightly. We are going to put all members of the same family into the same house so some of the older children may swap houses. This will ultimately make things easier for parents if all the family are in the same team as the children are rewarded with a non-uniform day at the end of each half term if their team has achieved the most house points during that half term. Also, the children wear a t-shirt of the colour of their house for sports day so these can be passed down to younger siblings. Our house teams are St Francis (green),St John (yellow), St Theresa (blue) and St Cecilia (red).

**Table Tennis** –To encourage more girls to take part in table tennis, Ellenborough table tennis club is offering some free girls coaching sessions in May, June and July. Age 8yrs and older and all standards.

The first session is this Sunday. Prior booking is essential.

Mayfield Table Tennis Club (Palmers Green) are also offering coaching (for girls and boys).

**Ice-creams/lolly ices** – The Friends will be selling these after school on Thursdays and Fridays each week!

After what has been a short school week, I hope you all have a good weekend.

Kind regards

Kate Baptiste

Headteacher