

27th May 2022

Dear Parents

Assemblies – On Monday I spoke to all the children about the Gospel reading from the previous week. Jesus gave his disciples one last commandment, “*I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.*” We then looked at a letter from St Paul who explained what love is and also what it is not! Let’s all remember, love is patient and kind. On Wednesday I reminded the Junior children how to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion in preparation for Mass on Thursday. We also read the Gospel from Sunday’s Mass where Jesus reassured his friends not to be troubled or afraid; the power of the Holy Spirit would be coming to support them.

Feast of the Ascension – On Thursday we celebrated the Feast of the Ascension with Mass in school. Thank you to Fr Stewart who came in for this. It was lovely that those children in Year 3 who had made their First Holy Communion, could receive Communion for the first time in school!

Queen’s Jubilee party! – Today was a memorable day for the children and staff. The sun shone and the children wore an array of red, white and blue! They enjoyed crown making, flag making, singing, dancing and a picnic. Each child has received a special book mark to commemorate the Queen’s Jubilee. This has been paid for using a donation from a parent.

Last One Standing – Message from Tom Conlon: *It’s been a title race of the highest quality. Week after week, two teams went head-to-head in an enthralling battle, leading to a tension-filled final day decider. City v Liverpool? Not a patch on Duffy v Jacovou. And after 12 weeks, the winner of Last One Standing 2022 is Xander Jacovou. A fantastic achievement Xander and congratulations to you! 🏆🏆🏆*
The Friends will be in touch about the well-deserved prize.
Commiserations to Mrs Duffy who pushed Xander right to the finish line. Both contestants took their excellent form into penalties, and it took until the 6th round until the two were separated.

I would like to thank our parent, Tom Conlon for his time and efforts that he put into such a well organised competition. His weekly reports are worthy of any sports magazine! This raised over £1000 for the school. Thanks also to Red Loft for sponsoring this event.

Dates for your diary **New dates highlighted in yellow** (letters about trips will go out to separate year groups)

- **Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June** – school closed for half term
- **Monday 6th June** – school closed for a teacher training day (Inset)
- **Wednesday 15th June** – Reception dads (or uncle/grandad) stay and play 1.30pm
- **Saturday 25th June** – St Monica’s Golf Day and Dinner Dance
- **Saturday 2nd July** – School Summer Fête 12-4pm
- **Monday 4th July** – Junior sports day CONFIRMED 9.30am at Arnos Grove – finish approx. midday
- **Tuesday 5th July** – Infant sports day CONFIRMED 9.30am at Arnos Grove – finish approx. 11.30am
- **Monday 11th July** – End of year reports go to parents with all staffing details for September
- **Wednesday 13th July** – 9.15am Year 5 Music singing assembly – Year 5 parents are invited
- **Wednesday 13th July** – Year 6 end of year production 7pm
- **Thursday 14th July** – Year 6 end of year production 7pm
- **Monday 18th July** – Reception children graduation 9.30am
- **Tuesday 19th July** – Year 6 Leavers’ Mass in school 7pm
- **Wednesday 20th July** – Razzle Dazzle Music Concert 7pm for choir/instruments

World Environment Day

Saturday 11th June at 11 am - Walk of Creation: *In order to mark World Environment Day, parishioners including families and young people are invited to a Walk of Creation in Trent Park led by the Walking Group. Meet near the Cafe in Trent Park at 10.55 am. There will be short stops for prayers. Those participating can do as much of the Walk as they would like.*

I hope you all can enjoy the half term holiday and any Jubilee celebrations over the bank holiday weekend.
Kind regards
Kate Baptiste
Headteacher