



St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 23rd May 2022
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Rosary

God's Creation

The assembly focus for last week was 'God's Creation'
The children listened carefully to the Bible story and discussed the gift of creation that God has given us to enjoy.



In the lead up to our May Celebration, the Catholic Life Committee will be inviting the children and their families to pray a decade of the rosary together before school each morning. The first prayer session will start Wednesday 25th May at 8.30am outside of the school's main entrance. Please try to join us, all are welcome to pray with us whether you are familiar with the rosary or not.

"God is so great because He created this beautiful world for us to live in" – Victoria Reception Class

"God is so great because He created the sun that can shine for all the countries in the world" – Albion Year 2

"God made the world for us because he loves us" – Jacob Reception Class

"God wants us to enjoy everything He created and He wants us to look after the world for Him." - Johnny Year 2

Here is the prayer that we prayed together at the end of the assembly for you to share at home.

Dear God,
you have chosen to make this wonderful world
and give us life.
As you love me and give me so many things,
help me to show my love to you
by doing what you want me to do.
Father God,
We are your children.
We believe in you.
Open our eyes to see the wonderful things
You have created in our world for us.
Amen

Holy Communion

Congratulations to all of our children that received their First Holy Communion at Saint Peter and the Guardian Angels on Saturday. This next step towards living in faith is a big one. May you continue to live in God's love now and for always.



Before School

Fr Azad has asked that children do not play football in the car park before the start of the school. As our closest neighbour we must be respectful towards him and the wider church community. Let us not forget that there is an open grass area just at the end of the path that tracks behind the church building past the top of Robert's Close. If you arrive early for school, please accompany your child to the park area on which they can run around and play. The car park is neither suitable nor safe.





School Holiday Lunch Vouchers

We have been informed by the local authority that the food vouchers that some families receive during school holidays will not be available this half term. Instead the Local Authority are putting together a package of support that will include help for families during half term and the longer summer break. We will update you when we have been advised.

Chartwells and the Lucky Lunch



Chartwells have gifted the school a number of prizes to give out for those children who eat a school lunch. For the week after half term, every time your child has a school lunch, their name goes into a prize draw. At the end of this week, 12 prize winners' names will be drawn from all of those collected from Reception to Year 6. The winners will receive one of the Fidget Bubbles you can see in the photo above.



Art Therapy

Children from different classes have been enjoying spending time with Holly, our Art Therapist. As well as enjoying the varied art resources, the children have appreciated having a quiet, calm place where they can go to express and understand their emotions, talk through their worries and develop their self-awareness and self-esteem.



Year 6 LOTC

Year 6 took their learning outside for Wednesday's maths lesson. The children used their mathematical skills to estimate, measure and create scaled drawings of the playground with a view to creating their very own building companies. They used this information to provide quotes to the school for various updates of the playgrounds. Following on from this the children worked out the costings of the materials, labour and time in order to provide an accurate quote. With current prices and the economy being so volatile at the moment the children had to take in to consideration the shock price risers on individual materials, for example a 20% rise in the cost of a bag of cement and how that effects the overall costs and the negative effects on profit margin. A fun practical lesson and what great life skills!



Year 5 The Paper Garden



It was the turn of Year 5 to spend a session in the Paper Garden last week, despite the rain the children had a great time exploring the different plants and designing outside planting areas.

