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May Newsletter – 70th Jubilee edition

Dear parents and Carers,

It hardly seems possible that we have come to the end of another half term and that the end of another school year is sight! It has been a super busy summer half term with a full return to SATs testing, a variety of trips and sporting activities amongst a raft of interesting activities happening in school, not least our Jubilee celebrations.

I'm sure that the next half term will prove to be equally jam packed!

Marian Procession

We held our Marian Service to celebrate Our Lady in her special month of May, thank you to our



families for your generous donations of flowers, our church looked beautiful. It was a beautiful service where all classes contributed. Apple class painted beautiful pictures of Our Lady; Oak class drew portraits of their own mums and talked about why they were special; Elm class acted out the gospel accounts of the Annunciation and the Visitation; Beech class prepared and read aloud our bidding prayers; Eucalyptus class made our fantastic banner which led our procession; Willow class were fantastic in leading our service and reading superbly and



our Chaplaincy team in Sycamore class organised all the flowers. We must say a special thanks to Lucas in Y6 and Harrison in YR who crowed our lady most reverently with the help of Deacon Paul. We hope to invite parishioners and families to this wonderful service next year.

Father Peter

For those of you who haven't heard, Father Peter will be retiring from the Parish of St Bernadette's at Pentecost. We would like to thank him for his time at St Bernadette's and wish him well as he embarks on a new phase in his life.

Father Peter has asked me to convey to those of you who have enquired that the sacrament of Holy Communion will be delayed if not postponed this year. I'm sure we will find out further information in due course.

Jubilee!



Dressed in red, white and blue, we had a fantastic day in school, despite the weather thwarting our whole school outdoor picnic! We enjoyed a very special Jubilee day of learning. In history, we learnt about how the world has changed throughout the reign of Queen Elizabeth II. In art we created portraits of the Queen in the style of different artists to show off our creative flair and we had a whole school indoor picnic whilst listening to music from the 1940's, we even sang our national anthem together.



Jubilee Art Competition Winner - Anna R, Willow Class



Congratulations to Anna in Willow class who won third prize in a Platinum Jubilee Poster Competition hosted by The Promenade Concert Orchestra. Entries were judged by local artist Chas Jacobs. Anna won free tickets for her immediate family to attend the 'Music for a Queen' concert at the Platform on Sunday May 22nd and a PCO double-album CD recording of light music. All the entries are on display in Morecambe library if you get a chance to have a look. Well done Anna! What a fantastic portrait.

BIG NEWS in PE

Next term, we will be trialling our '**Ready to go!**' PE uniform. This will help us to maximise learning time and reduce the anxiety some children have around getting changed in school for PE. For the next half term, all children, **except those in Apple class**, must come to school in their school PE Kits on the days they have a PE lesson. We will be monitoring the impact this change has and review how successful it is.

All PE kits have been sent home today and the PE uniform is as follows

- **PE Polo shirt with school badge** *(We have changed our PE polo from white to yellow – there is no need to replace your child's white shirt if it still fits, our yellow shirts will be phased in naturally as the children join our school in reception or as the older children grow out of the current shirts.)*
- **Navy Shorts**
- **Royal blue jogging bottoms**
- **Royal blue school hoodie with school badge.**
- **Trainers/plimsolls**

Please note children are **not** allowed to wear football kits or any other sports or alternative clothing for PE other than the school PE uniform. Our School uniform is very important to us as a school family, it brings us together as a school family, ensures that we are all equal and it is very smart indeed – our PE kit is no exception.

As ever if you need any help with uniform please speak to Mrs Maudsley or Mrs Shoulder and we will help. We hope to have our uniform stall with the Friends of St Bernadette's up and running again soon.

What Day will my child need to wear their PE kit?

Class	PE Days – must wear PE kit to school
Apple	Bring PE kit in bag – learning how to get dressed and undressed is part of your curriculum.
Oak	Monday Thursday
Elm	Tuesday Friday
Beech	Tuesday Wednesday
Eucalyptus	Wednesday Thursday
Willow	Thursday Friday
Sycamore	Monday Tuesday

Football



Year Six Competition

We are very proud of the boys who went out to represent us in the rain – they tried their best and never gave up! A well-deserved third place for Ben, Leandro, Ilehri, Leon, Caleb, Will & Andrea



Year 4 Lancaster Schools Champions!

Well done to our Year 4 team (Aidan, Archie, Edgar, Jack, Zayan, Theo & Alfie) who came back from defeat to win the competition! We are all very proud of you for your effort and sportsmanship.

A big thank you to Mr Karim for being a fantastic role model and coach to our teams.



Uniform

Thank you to all of our families for your support, the children look very smart in their summer uniform. Just a few reminders for next half term:

- trainers are **NOT** permitted and are only to be worn as part of the outdoor PE kit
- girls or boys should not be routinely wearing earrings, these are a health and safety risk especially on PE days they **MUST** be removed before school
- Please make sure that hair accessories are in the school colours. Large bows and overly decorative headbands are not suitable for school.

Mental Health Awareness Week

Life Education visit, Cheerleading & Dress to Express!

We had a fantastic week in school highlighting mental health and the importance of looking after ourselves, keeping fit and healthy and having fun!

We were joined by Katy from 'Life Education' and Sophie from 'Tiger Cheer' cheerleading.



Information Request - School Session times

Yesterday, a letter from the Governors was sent via the app about the changes to school session times, which will be 8.45am to 3.30pm from September 2022.

We have received a query asking for the parental survey results. 151 response were received.

These responses were split between **Option 1 - 8:55am - 3:30pm** 75

Option 2 - 8:45am - 3:30pm 76

A Prayer to the Holy Spirit at Pentecost from Father Peter

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together
in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us all the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us all find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever.
Amen.



Dates for your diary

Date	Function
June 13 th – 15 th	Year 6 Residential trip to Borwick
Friday 17 th June	Elm class trip to Brockholes – letter and further information to follow
Friday 24 th June	Whole school Sports Day
Monday 27 th June	Apple class trip to Blackpool Zoo – letter and further information to follow
Wednesday 29 th June	SS Peter & Paul – whole school Mass– time to be confirmed
Monday 27 th June - Friday 1 st July	World Faiths week - Judaism
Wednesday 13 th July	Year 6 Summer Production
Tuesday 19 th July @ 6:30pm	Leaver's Service in Church
Wednesday 20 th July	Whole school Mass – time to be confirmed

Please have a happy, safe and fun filled half term!

God bless,
Mrs Shoulder