



## Newsletter

Issue 26—Friday 3rd May 2024

Mr P Whitehead—Headteacher

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Dear Parent/Carers.

I hope everyone has had a lovely week and are looking forward to our long weekend. Enjoy the extra day and we will see you on Tuesday 7th May.

God Bless

Mr P Whitehead.

### Travelling Rosaries

As we enter the month of May we spend time thinking about Mary. The travelling rosaries will be coming home over the next few weeks. Please use them with your families and then return the following day. If you have any pictures please tweet them tagging @stmatthewsbrad or email them to office@stm.bcwcat.co.uk Thank you.



### Ascension of the Lord



Next Thursday (9th May) is the celebration of the Ascension of the Lord. We will therefore be celebrating Mass in school for Years 1-6. The Mass will be at 10:00am and parents and parishioners are very welcome to join us here in school.

### SATS Week

Just a reminder to all our parents of children in class 6 that the week beginning 13th May is our SATS Week. Please can you ensure that your children have had a good nights sleep before and during the week so they are rested and ready for their tests. Also, please ensure they arrive at school on time and with everything they need for a school day like their glasses and inhalers.

### In School This Week

Year 4 have been learning about Greece in History and English. The Olympics began in Greece in 776 BC and with a few exceptions has happened every 4 years. This year it will be held in Paris, France.

The children researched information and wrote an oracy assembly to entertain everyone.



Thursday was a lovely day for a spot of gardening. Class 3 worked hard weeding the flower beds. Thank you to Linda and her team of volunteers.

Foundation stage have enjoyed getting a little messy this week and have also made the most of the sunshine.



# St Matthew's Catholic Primary School

Our Mission: *I try to live like Jesus: I love; I forgive; I pray  
'Come Follow Me' – Be the best that I can be.*



## Attendance

F1— 91.75%

F2— 97.41%

Class 1— 98.41%

Class 2— 95.14%

Class 3— 96.42%

Class 4— 100%

Class 5— 94.27%

Class 6— 95.83%

Whole School Attendance this week — 96.95%

Whole School Attendance year to date — 92.93%



## Nursey Places September 2024

Nursery places are available for children aged 3 years or who will be 3 years old before 1st September 2024. Application forms are available from the school office.

(Full and Part-time places available)

## Governors

We have vacancies on our governing body for Foundation Governors. If you are interested in being part of the governing body please come and speak to me and I can explain the details of the role and answer any questions you may have.

## Dates for your Diary

- May—Travelling Rosary Month
- Thursday 9th May @ 10:00—Mass for The Ascension
- Friday 10th May @ 2:40— Reward Assembly
- Monday 13th May—Thursday 16th May—Class 6 SATS Week
- Friday 16th May @ 2:40— Reward Assembly
- Monday 20th May—9:30—10:30 Bring your Parent to school day Class 1 Session 1
- Tuesday 21st May—9:00—10:30 Bring your Parent to school day Class 3 Session 1
- Wednesday 22nd May—9:00—10:00 Bring your Parent to school day Class 1 Session 2
- Thursday 23rd May—9:00—10:30 Bring your Parent to school day Class 3 Session 12
- Thursday 23rd May—May Procession and Family Picnic
- Friday 24th May @ 9:05—Class 1 Oracy Assembly
- Friday 24th May—Finish for Half Term Break
- Monday 10th June—School opens for New Term.

## First Holy Communion Preparation

Just a reminder to our parents of children completing the preparation for First Holy Communion that the remainder of the sessions will take place at St Williams Church Hall:

Session 3—Friday 3rd May at 4:15—St William's Church Hall.

Session 4—Friday 17th May at 4:15—St William's Church Hall.

Session 5—Friday 24th May at 4:15—St William's Church Hall.

Session 6—Saturday 1st June at 10:00 in St Williams Church

**First Holy Communion will then take place on Sunday 2nd June in St William's Church at 11:00.**

## **Virtues to Live By**

Our Virtue for next week is:

# Kindness

Reading for the Week—John 14:15-21

"If you love me, you will obey my commandments. I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, who will stay with you forever. He is the Spirit, who reveals the truth about God. The world cannot receive him, because it cannot see him or know him. But you know him, because he remains with you and is in you. "When I go, you will not be left all alone; I will come back to you. In a little while the world will see me no more, but you will see me; and because I live, you also will live. When that day comes, you will know that I am in my Father and that you are in me, just as I am in you. "Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me. My Father will love those who love me; I too will love them and reveal myself to them."

## Parish Mass Times

**St Matthew's Church**

Sunday @ 9:30am

## Reflection

Do we let the Holy Spirit into our lives?

How can we let the Holy Spirit guide us and help us?

Spend some time praying to the Holy Spirit and ask the Spirit's help to give you courage to be kind.