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Dear Parents/Carers,

We've come to the final week of Summer 1, and it's certainly been yet another jam-packed week!

On Tuesday, we welcomed Greg from St Ann's Hospice. We were eager to learn what our Lenten fundraising would be spent on. We were astonished to hear that the hospice needs £20,000 a day to run successfully. We were proud to tell Greg about our fundraising efforts and loved learning the St Ann's Hospice song.

Our Year 6 children headed to Manchester Central Library on Tuesday to take part in a workshop with author, Chris Smith. He shared an insight into his new book 'Frankie Best Hates Quests'. As the weather was glorious the children enjoyed a picnic lunch by the Bridgewater Hall and spent some time taking in the city sights.

On Wednesday, we were blessed with yet another sunny day for the Crowning of Mary. We gathered outside where Year 6 and Year 3 led a very moving Liturgical Prayer to honour the life of our Lady.

On Thursday, our Mini Vinnies joined children from the Wythenshawe Catholic Cluster on a pilgrimage to Shrewsbury Cathedral. Each school created Stations of the Cross artwork to gift the Cathedral. The children enjoyed the splendour of the architecture which was the perfect setting for a quiet and reflective Mass.

As you will see on 'Peek at the Week' our Jubilee preparations have begun as children across the school have been busy making handmade decorations for our celebration on Tuesday 7th June.

Although we'd had a very short term, it has certainly been a busy one. Enjoy a restful Whit holiday, let's hope the sun continues to shine!

Happy Half Term!

Miss Simmons

Congratulations to our Gold Award Winners!



Reflection

In Sunday's gospel, Jesus gives the disciples a very special gift – the gift of peace. And he tells his disciples not to be afraid.

Right now, the whole world is watching the situation in Ukraine and hoping for a peaceful outcome for Ukraine and its neighbouring countries. Many people have fled the country not knowing when they will ever return. May these people remain in our prayers.

*Living God,
May we bring the light of your
peace to those we meet.
Help us to find a peaceful way to
solve our problems, so that the
world may be a safer place for
everyone to live in.
Amen.*



In the Spotlight

This half term, Reception have been enjoying our topic 'A Ticket to Ride!' We have been learning about different modes of transport and we have really enjoyed exploring trains, aeroplanes, vehicles and space rockets!

We visited Wythenshawe Fire Station and the Firemen kindly let us have a go of the water hose! It was really interesting to see the inside of a Fire station and the Fire engines up close. We also went on a tram to visit Manchester airport and we drew some fabulous pictures of the aeroplanes. We could not believe there was a station with trams, buses, taxis and trains all in one place.



In Literacy, we have been reading 'Toys in Space' we thought about what the journey to space might be like and the things we might need to take if we went there. We imagined our favourite toy had gone on a trip to space and we imagined what fun they would have there and what they might do. Y6 have joined us this week for paired reading activities each day and we have really enjoyed sharing a story together.



In Maths, we went outside and learnt about capacity. We filled a variety of different containers with water and we practised writing sentences on our whiteboards saying which jugs were nearly empty or nearly full. We also practiced our subtilising skills and revisited number bonds to 10 and some of us to 20.



In our Topic lessons, we set off on our very own magic train! We made our own tickets and we visited Fairy Forest, Candy Land and Rainbow Jungle whilst on our magical train ride. We also made delicious space biscuits and learnt about the starry night sky where the planets are. Our mini space adventure has been out of this world!

Sacramental Programme

Congratulations to our Year 3 children who received Holy Communion for the first time during a beautiful Mass on Saturday. God was certainly looking down as the sun shone brightly, a special thanks to the Year 6 children who came to support and sang magnificently.



Staffing News

Today is a sad day for us in school as we are saying goodbye and good luck to Miss Gavin in our school office. She is moving on to a new position working with a children's cancer charity and is moving back to Scotland. It has been a great pleasure to have Miss Gavin working with us for over the last year. Although her time with us has been short, I'm sure you will agree that we will all miss her loving, calm nature and tireless support and dedication that she has provided for our school family.



We wish her well in her new role and hope she enjoys spending more time with her family and friends.

Pentecost Party

On Monday 6th June all children are invited to wear the colours of the flame as we celebrate Pentecost; the birth of the Church.



Throughout the day the children will take part in different activities as we reflect on the descent of the Holy Spirit and the gifts this brings.

Jubilee Celebrations

On Tuesday 7th June, we will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. All children are invited to wear red, white and blue or come dressed as a royal!



During the day, we will be hosting a garden party! The children have been busy learning songs from each decade of the Queen's reign which they are very excited to perform.



Polite Reminder

Each morning children must enter school following our procedures. Children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 enter school at the Calve Croft Road gate. Children in Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 enter school at the Carling drive gate.

The gates are open from 8:45am – 9am. If your child arrives after 9am and the gate is closed they must be signed in by an adult at the school office.

Nursery children can come into school at 9am.

House Points

St Maximillian Kolbe



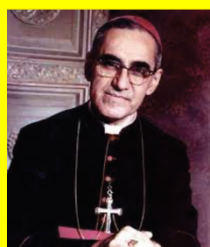
767 Points

St. Angela Merici



759 Points

St Oscar Romero



720 Points

St Josephine Bakhita



747 Points

Congratulations to this week's winning house: Team Kolbe!



Attendance WC 16th May

Year	%
Nursery	95%
Reception	99%
Year 1	91%
Year 2	92%
Year 3	88%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	92%
Year 6	90%

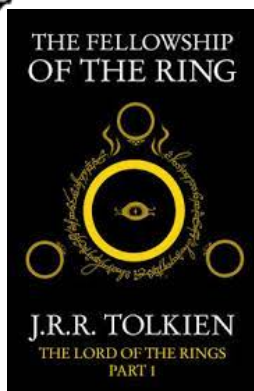
There are 188 pupils with 100% attendance this week. Well done!

Congratulations to **Year 1** with the best punctuality; all children were on time every day!

Congratulations to **Reception** with the best attendance this week. The whole school attendance this week was 93%.

Library Corner

Recently, I have been re-reading J.R.R Tolkien's *The Fellowship of the Ring* and I forgot how incredible it is. I last read this book at the age of 15 where I was taken on a rollercoaster journey of emotions as the story is so intense and gripping. I love how Tolkien introduces each character with such affection and simplicity without giving any clues that the characters are such a pivotal role in the series of books in the trilogy. My favourite character in the story is of course Boromir, such a mysterious and enigmatic character who, at one stage is thought of as being a bad character yet proves himself as being more of a heroic figure. This book made me truly experience being sat on the edge of my seat and I'm thorough looking forward to reading the next book again, *The Two Towers*.



Mini Vinnies visit to Shrewsbury Cathedral



Article of the Fortnight

Article 9 (separation from parents):

Children must not be separated from their parents against their will unless it is in their best interests (for example, if a parent is hurting or neglecting a child). Children whose parents have separated have the right to stay in contact with both parents, unless this could cause them harm.



Article 25 (review of treatment in care): If a child has been placed away from home for the purpose of care or protection (for example, with a foster family or in hospital), they have the right to a regular review of their treatment, the way they are cared for and their wider circumstances.

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A live feed also appears on the front page of the website.



St. Elizabeth's MCR @stelizabethsm22 · 16 May
Following the feast of Our Lady of Fatima we prayed a decade of the rosary. This echoes Our Lady's request to the children of Fatima, that they pray the rosary for peace in the world.

#MissionTogether
#PupilsPrayForPeace
@MissioUK



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Missio @MissioUK · 16 May
Replying to @stelizabethsm22
Thank you for sharing this @stelizabethsm22 We're praying for peace with you too.



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You Retweeted
St Anthony's MCR @stanthonysm22 · 16 May
Replying to @stelizabethsm22 and @ssjftmprimary
Lots of ideas for outdoor learning being picked up to bring back to Wythenshawe.



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St. Elizabeth's MCR @stelizabethsm22 · 17 May
Thank you to Greg from @StAnnesHospice who came to visit us today. It was lovely to hear what our fundraising will help to achieve. We LOVED singing with you and the quiz questions were fantastic!



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St. Elizabeth's MCR @stelizabethsm22 · 19 May
There's nothing like the feeling of accomplishment when you work as a team!

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."
Helen Keller

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