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Dear Parents, Carers, Children and Governors,

Ofsted visit this week. : As you know we had special visitors this week! The two Ofsted inspectors were very impressed by our school, especially the behaviour of our pupils and high standards of teaching across the school. The official report will be out in approximately two weeks' time and I can't wait to share it with you! Thank you to all the parents who completed the online questionnaire, the inspectors were bowled over by your lovely comments about our school.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Now that you have had the chance to take in the news of Mrs. Connelly's retirement I should like to assure you that the Governors have already started the process of finding a suitable replacement – an exceptionally difficult task indeed. We are grateful that Mrs. Connelly has given us plenty of notice. I have called a special meeting of Governors during which we will meet our advisers from the Catholic Archdiocese and the Local Authority and then appoint a small committee which will oversee the process of advertising the post, selecting suitable candidates and then interviewing them. The candidates will have to go through the most rigorous selection procedure for we are looking to appoint a truly outstanding Headteacher capable of building upon the work of our current excellent Head. When we send out our person specification and job description each will include the ideas put forward by our Parent Governors. Please remember us in your prayers as we seek to put the school, and your children, into the hands of a special new Headteacher from January 2020.

I thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Kiely, Chair of Governors.



First Holy Communion Meeting – Sorry to have to re-arrange this meeting – it is now next Tuesday 6th November at 5.30pm in the year 3 classroom – hope you can make still make it.



Poppy Selling - From next Monday our Year 6 children will be going around the classes selling poppies — just a donation is required. We have stick on poppies for the younger children — so no pins! We also have poppy coat reflectors, bracelets, snap on bands/ ruler and wrist bands — these items are all £1.50. The Coventry Remembrance Day Service and Parade is on Sunday,

11th November 2018 at 10.50 a.m. in the War Memorial Park.

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN - AND IT'S MEGA EARLY THIS
YEAR !!!! Parish Christmas Bazaar - NEXT SATURDAY 10TH
NOVEMBER 1pm -3pm in the school hall - this event is run by the
parish: Thank you for sending chocolate into school for the tombola. - Fr



Christmas, lots of stalls and toys will be for sale. If you have any toys you no longer need then please donate them for the bazaar.

Loudmouth Theatre Group in school for Years 5 and 6 on Thursday 15th

November: Helping Hands is a sensitive theatre in education programme that helps protect children through an understanding of positive relationships. The performances and workshop uses drama, discussion and appropriate humour to support school's safeguarding education and help children aged 9 – 11 years old to stay safe in their interactions with others. Loudmouth have received funding from the Home Office to redevelop this programme to cover issues including child sexual exploitation and abuse, online safety, domestic abuse and bullying. This workshop will support our Protective Behaviours programme in school and support our children as they move onto secondary school or have experiences in the wider community.



Year 5 residential outdoor adventure to Kingswood - The children are so excited about their forthcoming trip to Kingswood from 7th - 9th November. We hope you have a great trip.

<u>Year 5 open book sessions</u> - Due to the Year 5 parent consultations being postponed we are inviting parents to have a look at their child's books — this will be on Tuesday 6^{th} November from 8am — 8.40am and 3.15pm — 4pm. If parents are unable to make these times and would like to see their child's books then please contact the office and we can arrange a different date / time. Thank you .

TRAINING DAY — Reminder - We have a staff training day on Friday 16th November and school is closed to children.



All Saints Day - Thursday 1st November - Thank you to Year 4 children who led our mass on yesterday — well done readers.

Stars of the Week:

Congratulations to these wonderful SUPERSTARS who have shone this week: They had 'Tea with Mrs C' this morning and shared with me their best work and their RE books.



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Reception - Brody Kavanagh

Year 1 - Max Baker

Year 2 - Lily-Skye Sheldon Year 3 - Lennon Braithwaite

Year 4 - Remie Mills Year 5 - Ellie Wooley

Year 6- Lucy Dyde

'Attendance: for last week - Well done Year 3 having a visit from Cookie Bear today - that's two weeks on the trot!

two weeks on the tree tree.						
Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95%	96%	95%	98%	92%	92%	97%



Mass — Year 1 and 2 are at mass next Tuesday at 9.15am — parents please try to attend and give your child a little wave!

Starting school in September 2019 - If you have a child born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 you are invited to apply for a primary school place for September 2019. Parents are encouraged to apply online www.coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions - the closing date is 15th January 2019.





Confirmation - The Year 6 children will be confirmed by Bishop William Kenney on Friday 7th December at 6pm. Please keep the children in your prayers as they prepare for this special sacrament.



Anti Bullying Week - 12th - 16th November 2018

The theme for this year's Anti-Bullying Week is to choose respect over bullying. The aims of this week are to support schools and other settings to help children and young people, school staff, parents and other professionals who work with children to understand:

• The definition of respect

- That bullying is a behaviour choice
- That we can respectfully disagree with each other i.e. we don't have to be best friends or always agree with each other but we do have to respect each other
- That we all need to choose to respect each other both face to face and online

SPORTS DESK

Football: The team play tonight away versus St Augustines

Netball - The next fixture is today — also away to St Augustines — good luck to both teams

<u>After school club kit — Can parents please send a separate sports kit for the after school clubs — in this colder weather this needs to be joggers / tracksuit / trainers — their PE kit is not warm enough and oftern goes home and not returned in time for the next PE lesson — thank you.</u>

<u>Car exhausts</u> - Can I ask that parents / carers parking in the church car park do not reverse up against the pedestrian pathway as the exhaust fumes are being breathed in by the families waiting for the KS2 gate to open — Thank you in advance for your consideration

Week commencing 5th November 2018 at a glance - ALL CLUBS FINISH AT 4.15PM

Date	Time	Activity	Venue
Monday	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Irish Dancing	Hall
	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Year 1 and 2 Football with Epic Academy	Field
Tuesday	9.15am	Mass — Year 1 and 2	Church
	3.15pm - 4pm	Singing Club	Y1 classroom
	3.15pm – 4.15pm	5/6 FOOTBALL	
Wednesday	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Year 1 and 2 Multi skills with Mr Shale	Astro pitch
	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Y3 and 4 Gymnastics with Epic Academy	Hall
Thursday	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Year 3 and 4 Football with Mr Neenan / Mr Shale	Astro pitch
	3.15pm -4.15pm	Netball with Miss Matthews – Years 5 and 6	Hall
Friday	9am	Celebration Assembly	

Have a great weekend

Mrs Kate Connelly Headteacher



"They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old, Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn, At the going down of the sun and in the morning, We shall remember them"