

Parents' Letter



*Religious Education
at St. Basil's
Summer term 2017*

IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

St. George (23rd April)
The Ascension of the Lord (28th May)
Pentecost Sunday (4th June)
The Most Holy Trinity (11th June)
Corpus Christi (23rd June)
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (3rd June)
SS. Peter and Paul (29th June)

Parents and carers are very welcome to join us for...

Collective Worship in school (9.05am)

Friday 19th May – Year 1
Friday 23rd June – Foundation Stage
Friday 14th July – Year 2

Mass in school

Thursday 27th April at 10am – Year 3
Thursday 18th May at 10am – Year 5
Thursday 15th June at 10am – Year 2
Thursday 6th July at 10am – Year 4

Mass at church

Thursday 20th July at 10.00am
Year 6 Leavers Mass

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

As we return to school after our Easter break, the Church is still celebrating this great event. The focus of this term's work in Religious Education is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World).

PENTECOST – SERVING

(April 19th – May 12th)



- Reception** GOOD NEWS - Passing on the Good News of Jesus
Year 1 HOLIDAYS AND HOLYDAYS - Pentecost: feast of the Holy Spirit
Year 2 SPREAD THE WORD - Pentecost: a time to spread the Good News
Year 3 ENERGY - Gifts of the Holy Spirit
Year 4 NEW LIFE - To hear and live the Easter message
Year 5 TRANSFORMATION - Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power
Year 6 WITNESSES - The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it. Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit.

RECONCILIATION – INTER-RELATING *(May 15th – June 23rd)*

- Reception** FRIENDS - Friends of Jesus
Year 1 BEING SORRY - God helps us choose well
Year 2 RULES - Reasons for rules in the Christian family
Year 3 CHOICES - Importance of examination of conscience
Year 4 BUILDING BRIDGES - Admitting wrong, being reconciled with God and each other
Year 5 FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY - Commandments enable Christians to be free and responsible
Year 6 HEALING - Sacrament of the Sick



SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven. Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day to day life of the family.



UNIVERSAL CHURCH – WORLD

(June 26th – July 21st)

- Reception** OUR WORLD - God's wonderful world
Year 1 NEIGHBOURS - Neighbours share God's world
Year 2 TREASURES - God's treasure; the world
Year 3 SPECIAL PLACES - Holy places for Jesus & the Christian community
Year 4 GOD'S PEOPLE - Different saints show people what God is like
Year 5 STEWARDSHIP - The Church is called to the stewardship of Creation
Year 6 COMMON GOOD - Work of the worldwide Christian family

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Together, look through a family scrapbook or photograph album of a visit to a place that is special for your family. Look at a globe or an atlas. Find a special place and pray for the people of that country. Discuss how we can look after our world and support our neighbours, near and far.

We look forward to your continued support during the term ahead. *In your prayers please do remember our children (mostly) in Year 4 who will be receiving the sacraments of Holy Communion during May/June. This event takes place within the Parish but will be marked in school with a celebration.*

Many thanks
Mrs K. Dooley