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"With Jesus as our guide; we love, live and learn together."

Newsletter 31: Friday 14th May 2021

Dear Parent

I hope that you and your families are all well.

We had a wonderful First Holy Communion Mass for Year Four last Saturday! Thank you to Miss Villers and all of our school staff who helped to make this occasion so special.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the PTA for 'Odd Socks' day today!

Please remember to follow your 'Walk With Me' Eastertide calendar to continue your family prayer journey at home throughout the season of Easter.

Isolation Guidance:

If a member of your **household** has any **symptoms** related to **COVID** then everyone in your household <u>must isolate</u> until a COVID test result for the symptomatic person is received.

The **10-day isolation period** count starts from the day <u>AFTER</u> the first person in your house developed symptoms or, if they do not have symptoms, from the day their test was taken. It is a **legal requirement** to self-isolate if you test positive or are told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace. You could be fined if you are identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 and do not to stay at home and self-isolate.

Thank you for your help and cooperation with this request.

Informing School of a Positive Test Result for Coronavirus outside of normal school hours:

If a member of your household receives a positive test result for coronavirus outside of the usual school working day or at the weekend, then please inform school by emailing our school office: <u>headteacher@holyname.sandwell.sch.uk</u> using the subject heading: **POSITIVE TEST RESULT**. School can then consult with Public Health as quickly as possible in order to advise / contact parents if we need to close any 'bubbles' and **prevent affected pupils from attending school**. Thank you for your help and cooperation with this request.

Eve Tests for Reception Pupils:

Eye tests for our Reception pupils will be taking place in school on Tuesday 18th May.

Y1 and Y2 'Sow and Grow' Gardening Club:

Please see the letter from Mrs Chapman which has been circulated with this newsletter.

Diary Dates:

Date:	Information:
Monday 17 th May	Y3/4 Cricket Club 3.15-4.15pm
Tuesday 18 th May	Reception Class - Eye Tests
Thursday 20 th May	Y5/6 Netball Club 3.15-4.30pm
Friday 21 st May	Y3 Sacrament of Reconciliation in church at 2.00pm
	Y5/6 Basketball Club 3.15-4.15pm
Wednesday 26 th May	Y6 & Y7 Online Sacramental Preparation Meeting at 5.00pm
Half Term Holiday:	Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June
Wednesday 9th June	Y6 & Y7 Online Sacramental Preparation Meeting at 5.00pm
Monday 14 th June	Y6 Mass with the Rite of Confirmation in church at 7.00pm
Saturday 19 th June	Y3 First Holy Communion Mass in church at 3.30pm
Friday 9 th July	SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS – Teacher Training Day
Wednesday 21 st July	LAST DAY OF TERM

Happy birthday to:

Jack R (Y6), Gabriel J (Y4) and Brody B (Y1) who all have a birthday to celebrate next week.

Yours sincerely

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Mr A.G. Neenan Headteacher

One of the precepts of being a Catholic is to attend Sunday Mass (or the vigil Mass for Sunday) every week and on all Holy Days of Obligation. This weekly commitment gives us the opportunity to celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord which is why Sundays are known as the Lord's day.

Mass at Holy Name Church:

Saturday 12.30pm

Sunday 8.30am and 10.30am

Seventh Sunday of Easter (Year B)

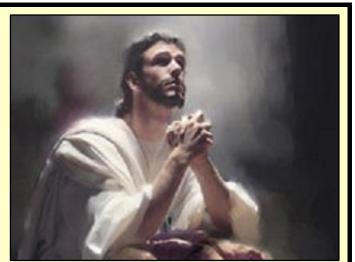
Gospel: John 17:11-19

In this Sunday's gospel Jesus is talking to God. He is praying.

Do you pray? What do you pray for or about?

Jesus is asking God to help the disciples, to help them to follow his word and to protect them from harm.

Jesus knows that he will be leaving his disciples and that it will be hard for them to be without him.



But he has also given his disciples a very special job to do and he wants them to carry on doing this, even after he has gone away. What job does Jesus want his disciples to do?

Jesus wants his disciples to follow him, to love everyone just like Jesus loves us, and to encourage others to do the same.

Do you think Jesus has a special job for us to do as his followers? What do you think that job might be? As followers of Jesus we are called to share God's love with others. How do you think that we can do that? We can share God's love by caring for one another, by helping each other and by trying to make sure that all people have a happy life and become the best that they can be.

Our Catholic Mission:

How do you think that you can help others – near or far away – this week? How will you show that you are following Jesus, listening to his word and sharing God's love this week?

Prayer:

God of all people, move us to follow your Son, to share your love with others as we try to help anyone who needs it, and work together to make the world a fairer place. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Reflection taken from CAFOD Children's Liturgy