

## St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Number 17 Friday 17th May 2019

## This Week's Virtue: Perseverance and Resilience



# May is the Month of Mary

During May we think about Mary's love for us and how she is our mother. The children and families are invited to join together on **Tuesday mornings between 8.30-8.40am** for morning prayers in the School Prayer Garden / Hall. We bring the

prayers of the school community to our mother Mary and ask her to pray for us and our intentions. The



children, staff and community are invited to add their prayer intentions to our Prayer Tree near the School Library. You are

most welcome to make a prayer request.

#### Enjoy a few minutes of peace before the start of your day!

During May, we think about Mary's love for us and how she is our mother. On Tuesday 21st May we will have our special May Assembly led by the Reception class children and the children who are making their First Holy Communion this year. The parents of these children are invited to join us – unfortunately there isn't enough room in the school hall for all the parents!



All the children are asked to bring in a small bunch of flowers on Tuesday 21st May, either from their garden or a small bunch bought from a shop. The flowers are used in church to decorate Mary's statue and some are used in the school Prayer Garden. If there are any extras, we share them with parishioners who are invited to the assembly.

## **First Holy Communion**



Please pray for all our children who will be making their First Holy Communion on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May. May they and their families be blessed on this very special day in their Journey of Faith.

Many thanks to Miss Hughes, who volunteers her time so generously to prepare the children so well. Thankyou also to Mrs Norman who has led the parent sessions to support our parents in the preparation programme.

#### Holidays in term time

We have a 2 week break soon so can I please remind parents that holidays should be booked in school holiday time, not in term time. Every day is important in school!

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – Clubs finish at 4.15pm									
	Class	Club			WB 17.5.19		WB 10.6.19		
Monday	Y5/6	5/6 Brass Band			Yes		Yes		
Monday	Y4,5&6	4,5&6 Football - b		- boys		Yes		Yes	
Tuesday	Y3	Cookery			Yes		Yes		
Wednesday	Y4,5&6	1,5&6 Dance			Yes		Yes		
Thursday	Y4,5&6	Footba	III - girls		Yes		Yes		
Friday	Y5&6	Multi S	Skills (Hall)		Yes		Yes		
Reading Club									
Morning sessions (8.15-8.40am)	WB 17.5	.19	WB 10.6.19		r school D-3.45pm)	WB 17.5.19		WB 10.6.19	
Tuesday	Yes		Yes	Monday		Yes		Yes	
Wednesday	Yes		Yes	Tuesday		Yes		Yes	
Thursday	Yes		Yes	Thursday		Yes		Yes	

## FOSP

**The next meeting for FOSP is on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7pm** to organise the summer Family BBQ. All parents and friends of St Patrick's are welcome to come to offer their help and support.

### **Castlerigg Manor Residential**

Year 5 had a wonderful time on their residential last week and are going to share their experience in a special assembly for the school and their parents on **Friday 24**<sup>th</sup> **May at 2.30pm** 



### **VCS Contributions**

Many thanks to all the families who have responded to the request for a Voluntary Contribution towards the upkeep of the school. I know some families only received their requests this week so we will update you on the next newsletter about the overall response.



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Wear your cap for Leeds Mencap!

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May - £1 per child

<u>Wear a cap or hat</u> to school to support the wonderful work of MENCAP.

## Non Uniform Day





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## Could you help with any of this research?...

**Project 1: For new parents** - a short one-off online survey, about your experience as a new parent and the role (if any) that religion had during this stage. <u>Please click here to</u> <u>complete the short online survey.</u>

**Project 2: Provision for families**—a short online survey asking for your views about provision for families in UK churches. <u>Please click here to complete the online survey</u>.

**Project 3: Experiences of Christian Parenting**—a short online survey for you to share your experiences as a Christian parent. <u>Please click here to complete the online survey.</u>

**Project 4: Christian parents observing and documenting their child's faith and spirituality** (children aged 0-6 years old). The research project involves 50 families observing their own child's spiritual engagement as part of daily life and activities—you don't need to do anything differently than normal! At the end of each month (or more often if preferred), the parent would complete an online form describing any activities or experiences that they have noticed as being interesting, and of spiritual significance. Parents would be asked to do this for six months. You will be providing valuable information that would help churches, schools and other Christian parents to be more effective in the way that they nurture children's faith. Each family will also receive a £25 Amazon voucher at the end of the six months to show appreciation for your involvement. Please click here to sign up, or email youngfaith@hope.ac.uk for more information.

Your participation in any of these projects is confidential. The projects are funded in partnership by Liverpool Hope University and Culham St Gabriel's Trust.

#### Dates for your Diary - Please note we have had to make some changes to dates

- 18<sup>th</sup> May First Holy Communion Mass at 10am at St Patrick's church
- 21st May May Procession Assembly led by Reception class 2pm
- 21<sup>st</sup> May FOSP meeting to organise Summer BBQ 7pm in school
- 22<sup>nd</sup> May Reception and Year 1 trip to Hesketh Farm
- 24<sup>th</sup> May Wear a Cap for Mencap fundraiser / non-uniform Day £1 a child please.
- 24<sup>th</sup> May Year 5 Castlerigg Manor Assembly at 2.30pm
- 24th May Final day of half term
- 10<sup>th</sup> June School Re opens after half term holiday
- 10-14<sup>th</sup> June Year 1 Phonics testing week
- 10<sup>th</sup> June Year 5 and 6 RSE lessons
- 10<sup>th</sup> June Drama group in school performing a play for the whole school
- 11<sup>th</sup> June Halifax Bank visiting Year 2 and 4
- 11<sup>th</sup> June New Reception Parents' meeting at 7pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> June New Reception class Drop-in 2-3pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> June New Reception class Drop-in 9-10am
- 18<sup>th</sup> June New Reception class Drop-in 9-10am
- 18<sup>th</sup> June Halifax Bank visiting Year 2 and 4
- 19<sup>th</sup> June New Reception Open Morning group 1 9-10am
- 21<sup>st</sup> June New Reception Open Morning group 2 9-10am
- 21<sup>st</sup> June U11 Catenian Cup at St Theresa's all day
- $24^{th} 28^{th}$  June HEALTH WEEK
- 28<sup>th</sup> June Year 1 assembly at 2.40pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> July Year 2 assembly at 2.40pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> July FOSP Family BBQ at 7pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 End of Year Production at 6.30pm for Year 6 family and friends.
- 9<sup>th</sup> July End of Year Reports sent out to parents
- 15<sup>th</sup> July Field Events for Sports Cup all children need kits
- 16<sup>th</sup> July Sports Day All families are welcome to join us on the field –events start at 9am
- 17<sup>th</sup> July Year 4 trip to Harlow Carr
- 17<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Leavers Mass at 7pm in church and rerfreshments back in school afterwards for the children and their families.
- 18<sup>th</sup> July Transition Morning children meet their teacher for next year
- 19th July End of Year Mass at 11am in St Patrick's Church