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Living our Faith, Learning in Love

Friday 24th April 2026

Dear Families

I hope you are all well, and as excited with the gorgeous weather as we are!

First Holy Communion

We were absolutely delighted to celebrate the First Holy Communion of many of our Year 3 children last Saturday; it was a truly special and memorable occasion. The children looked wonderful, as did all family members who were so delighted to be there to share in the day with them. We were incredibly proud of the way the children so beautifully presented their special song, which was also a touching tribute to our dear friend, Win. I am sure she would have been watching over the children with immense pride.

It was a real joy to share in this special occasion again on Wednesday, with the whole school coming together, and we very much look forward to experiencing it once more **this Sunday at the 9:30am Mass**, when the whole parish will have the opportunity to gather and share in this meaningful moment with our children.

Mrs Murphy works tirelessly to prepare the children for this very special occasion, and we are deeply grateful for the time, care and dedication she gives to ensure every child feels happy, confident and truly valued on their special day. Our sincere thanks also go to the folk group and to Father Ned, who helped to make the First Holy Communion Mass such a beautiful and successful occasion, creating a truly wonderful memory for all present.

Huge Thanks from Me

I would like to say an enormous thank you to the children and families who clapped, cheered and supported me so wonderfully as I ran the Manchester Marathon last Sunday, with your songs, banners and waves. I cannot tell you what a lift it gave me to see your gorgeous faces - exactly when I needed it most! Thank you so very much for your kindness - you truly helped to make the experience so much more enjoyable and a great deal more manageable.

The pain has clearly faded quickly from memory, as I have already signed up to take part again next year! I'm also delighted that some of our wonderful staff have expressed an interest in joining me, and I have spoken to a parent who has already registered too. It would be fantastic to see even more of our school-family get involved - might any other parents consider taking part? How special it would be to have a 'Team All Saints' running together next year!

Dates for Diaries

- **Sports Day:** Miss Bowen has organised our Sports Day this year for Wednesday 17th June, which is the second week back after the Whit holidays. The day will follow our usual format, beginning first thing in the morning with events for our Early Years children, followed by Key Stage 1, with Key Stage 2 taking place in the afternoon, starting at 1:15pm. Should the weather prevent the event from going ahead, Wednesday 1st July will be used as a reserve date.

- **Secondary Headteachers' 'Roadshow' - Information event for Year 5 Parents:** On Thursday 14th May the Headteachers from our feeder Secondary schools, Blessed Thomas Holford, Loreto Grammar School for Girls and St Ambrose Catholic College will be coming to visit our Year 5 parents and those from St Margaret Ward, to offer important information useful to parents as they start to consider secondary schools for their children. The information event will start at 4pm in our school hall.
- **End of Year Reports** – will be sent out on Friday 10th July
- **Year 6 Events**
Leavers' Play - Monday 13th July at 1:30pm and the evening of Tuesday 14th July, starting at 6pm.
Leavers' Mass and Family Celebration – Wednesday 15th July, starting at 6pm.
- **End of School Year, Whole School Mass** – Friday 17th July **11:00am**.
- **School Closes** – Friday 17th July at 1:30pm

Friday Summer Picnic Lunch

We were delighted to launch our Friday picnic lunch today - it was a great success and a real joy to see the children sitting together, enjoying the sunshine, and making the most of the space on the field. It was especially lovely to see children of all ages mixing, socialising and having fun outdoors.

We introduced this as a special opportunity for the children to enjoy during the (all too brief!) summer months, recognising the many benefits that being outside can bring to their wellbeing, including time in nature, fresh air and shared experiences with friends.

We are always keen to listen and reflect, and while we have received one query from one parent, we have not had any wider concerns. However, if you do have any thoughts or suggestions about how we can continue to develop this, as always, we would be very happy to hear from you.

Helmets

It has been lovely to see so many children coming to school on bikes and scooters, enjoying the fine weather. We have noticed, however, that not all children are wearing helmets. Following a recent conversation with one of our parents, a neuro-physiotherapist, I was reminded of just how important this simple measure can be in helping to prevent serious injury. We would be very grateful for your support in encouraging your child to wear a helmet when travelling to and from school on bikes and scooters to help keep them as safe as possible.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend in the sunshine and very much look forward to seeing you all soon.

With very best wishes



Mrs Anita Fagan
Headteacher

"I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things" Mother Teresa