



**St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School**  
*Following Jesus in all we think, do and say*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

May is a busy month in the Church calendar. During this month we come to the end of Eastertide, celebrate the Ascension and receive the Holy Spirit at Pentecost! May is also a month dedicated to honouring Mary, the Mother of Jesus and mother to us all. Throughout this month, we will share some ideas on our school website of how we can honour the Blessed Virgin Mary in a special way and allow her to conquer our hearts. [Click here](#) to find out more.

**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May, our Year 6 pupils and staff joined Fr. Keith and parishioners at the midday Mass to celebrate the *Feast of the Ascension*. This was the first time pupils and staff from the school have joined the parish family in worship since the Year 6 Leavers' Mass back in July 2020 and is another small but significant step on our journey towards something akin to normal school life. We thank Fr. Keith for his support for the prayer life of the school throughout the last year and for keeping our school family in his prayers.

**PRAYER AND WORSHIP**

Ten Ten's May newsletter is now available for you to read [here](#) or by visiting the [Prayer and Worship for Home](#) section of the school website.

**PARENT TEACHER CONSULTATIONS**

Thank you to parents/carers in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 who made a phone/video appointment with their child's class teacher over the last two weeks. Next week is the turn of our Upper Key Stage 2 classes followed by Lower Key Stage 2 the following week. Please contact Mrs Murphy ([reception@stmaryangels.co.uk](mailto:reception@stmaryangels.co.uk)) if you have any queries or problems making a booking online.

**SPORTS DAY**

We are delighted and excited to share that, providing restrictions continue to ease as planned, we will be holding our annual Sports Days next term at Paddington Recreation Ground as follows:

- Foundation Stage/Key Stage 1 Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July 9.30 – 12.00
- Key Stage 2: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 9.30 – 12.30

More information to follow nearer the time.

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

The new Multi-Sports clubs with our sports coach Mr. Adams have been very popular and will continue next term. Our after school offer will expand further next term with the welcome return of Art Clubs for Key Stage 1 and Lower Key Stage and a new Art Club for Reception pupils. Art Clubs will take place on Wednesdays and will cost £4 per session which must be paid in advance for the half-term. Information re booking Multi-sports and Art Clubs will be sent home via email next week. All payments for clubs must be made online at [www.scholgateway.com](http://www.scholgateway.com) so please register if you have not done so already.

**NON-UNIFORM DAY-FRIDAY 28TH MAY**

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May we will be holding a non-uniform day at school. Children can wear the colours of their chosen country's flag in exchange for a voluntary donation of £2. This initiative is in celebration of the *UEFA*

*Euro 2020/21* football tournament which kicks off on June 11<sup>th</sup>. All monies raised will go towards new sports equipment for the school. Pupils will be asked to place their donations in a bucket at the school gates on the morning of the event.

### MOVIE NIGHT

Our second Movie Night of the school year will take place after school on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June. More details to follow next week.

### BIKABILITY TRAINING

Sixteen of our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils took part in 'Bikeability' training. All have gained practical skills and a greater understanding of how to cycle safely on today's roads. We are incredibly proud of how well they participated in the programme and delighted that they have had such a good time in the process! We will offer this training again next year to more of our Year 5 and 6 pupils.



### START AND END OF THE SCHOOL DAY: YEAR 5 & 6

As of Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June, the week after the summer half term break, the start and finish time for Upper Key Stage 2 pupils will return to the regular times of 9am and 3.30pm respectively. Year 5 & 6 pupils will join Year 1 – 4 in coming in from 8.45am each morning and will be collected/leave school via the car park gate. The current start and end of day arrangements for all other year groups will remain the same until further notice. Parents/carers of Year 5 & 6 pupils who require an earlier drop off are signposted to our school's Breakfast Club (see information below).

### LONDON YOUTH GAMES

Earlier this week, Miss O'Brien shared information regarding the *Virtual Spring Run* competition to help encourage the pupils at St Mary of the Angels to take part in more sporting activities outside of school. The competition began on the 10<sup>th</sup> May and will run until 24<sup>th</sup> May. Participants can choose a distance between 0.5km and 5km to run and submit their distance to their class teacher via the table that was sent home. Miss O'Brien will then submit the school's collective distance to the London Youth Game. The borough that runs the furthest collective distance at the end of the two-week competition will be crowned Virtual Spring Run champions. If you wish to find out more about the virtual run then please [click here](#).



### BREAKFAST CLUB

Regular Breakfast Club attendees will be delighted to know that we will once again be serving a cooked breakfast on Tuesday mornings from next week! Our school's Breakfast Club is available to all year groups from 7.45am. Pupils are served a healthy breakfast and play together in class/year group bubbles. The cost per session is £3 and places must be booked in advance via [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com). Bookings can be made up until midnight the day before you require a place.

### MR GLENNON

As you know, Mr. Glennon, known to many of you as Jimmy, retired last week after 21 years dedicated service to our school community. Mr. Glennon came into school last Friday afternoon for a special farewell celebration with classes/bubbles taking it in turn to come into the Key Stage 1 playground and sing a special song for him and to present him with cards and messages. Mr. Glennon has asked us to pass on his thanks to the children and staff for his wonderful send off and to thank all the parents/carers who together donated an amazing £400 as a leaving gift.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Wilson

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Headteacher

Acting Deputy Headteacher