



St Walburga's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,
 May already – and what a lovely week it has been! I hope that this super weather lasts over the Bank holiday weekend.

Today we had a visit from Laura from Julia's House, who spoke to the children about the amazing work of this children's hospice and charity. We have made a connection with them this year through our participation in the Great Tail Trail, and Year 5 chose them as their charity for Sowing the Seed, so we are very grateful that she was able to visit the school.

Well done to Hanna in 4DC and Nikola in 6HT who were the winners of our Poetry competition, organised by our Year 6 Writing Ambassadors. There were such a lot of great entries, we had a lot of difficulty choosing the winners! We have put them here for you to enjoy – I am sure you will agree they have put a lot of thought into their work! Many thanks to Miss Cleall, Lila and Sofia for organising this competition!



Nature

I walk on the shore where the ocean meets the sand,
 With the sand, sandy beaches brush my bare head,
 The waves wash the shore with a gentle embrace,
 And the sun greets the day like a warm golden embrace.

The sand in the air,
 The wind in my hair
 Nature's music whispers all around me,
 The seagulls are soaring, the tide softly hums,
 It's really so something these rocks are so warm.

I walk between the trees,
 My soul is so free,
 Crickets chirp, birds sing,
 This is my kind of home.

The sky above so wide and blue,
 Leads out of sight to the sea,
 In waves come I seek my place,
 A world of wonder just a breath away,
 This is my safe space.

VE Day celebrations

Just a reminder that we are commemorating VE day on Thursday, 8th May – you should have received a letter from the School Council about our plans. The children are invited to come into school wearing red, white and blue mufti (or any combination of those colours). We would be really grateful for donations of cakes in the morning – small cakes are easiest to plate up, and please remember, no nuts, including coconut or sesame seeds. **We would be grateful for helpers to cut the cakes from 1.15pm onwards.** If you are able to help – please let us know via the office or the gate, or contact Lezzete. At the end of the school day, we will sell the cakes in the KS2 playground, to raise money for the British Legion. This is going to be such a special anniversary, as there are so few veterans still alive who remember the end of the war. We are grateful for their services, and for the opportunity to celebrate the day.



Gardening club

Thanks so much to those of you who have donated plants for our gardening club. If you have any spare bedding plants, please send them in. Thanks so much.

Summer Fair

Advance warning of our Summer Fair which will take place on Wednesday, 25th June, from 3.30 – 5.30 pm. This is our big fundraiser for PSA funds, and we really need your help and support! Please make a note of the date and look out for more information in the coming weeks!

Uniform

Just a reminder that the children can now wear summer uniform. Please remember that dresses should be NAVY check, not pale blue. Playsuits are not part of our uniform, and must not be worn. Children who choose to wear shirts must still wear a tie – and they must not wear white polo shirts. Please ensure that your child is wearing school shoes in black or navy. Many thanks.

Random Act of Kindness

The Wellbeing Ambassadors have put together a new 'Random Act of Kindness' that they would like children throughout the school to try and fulfil this term. 'God made us all unique and we should celebrate each other's differences. We would like the children in the school to make an effort to show kindness to everyone, no matter who they are.'

Papal election

Next week, on the 7th May, the cardinals will be going into their conclave, and begin the process of choosing the next Pope. Please pray for them as they make this important decision for us all. We received a letter of condolence from our local MP, Tom Hayes, sharing his thoughts on the death of Pope Francis. I have attached it with this newsletter.

Year 6

Year 6 parents and carers, please don't forget that the week beginning 12th May is SATs week. Your children must be in school this week, so please ensure that they do not have any dentist appointments or similar that week. Please send them in on time, with a good breakfast for plenty of energy!

Following on from their busy week, they have a planned 'reward' trip to Go Ape, booked for Monday, 19th May. You should have received a letter about this trip yesterday, please complete the permission form and make your contribution as soon as possible!

Well done to all our Stars of the Week!

Super Role Model:

RJ: Oscar; RP: Molly-Mae; 1JC: Mila; 1WH: Jenson; 2NW: Ivy; 2MS: Ryan; 3NL: Skyler; 3DB: Ariana; 4DC: James W; 4PM: Max; 5RH: Beatrix; 5JC: Emily; 6KB: Hannah; 6HT: Phoebe.

Learning Champion:

RJ: Luiza; RP: Arlo; 1JC: Kai; 1WH: Tori; 2NW: Zara; 2MS: Layla; 3NL: Miriam; 3DB: Jessica; 4DC: Hugo; 4PM: Zak; 5RH: Mason; 5JC: Mia; 6KB: Esther; 6HT: Luca.

Dates for your Diary:

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| Mon 5 th May | All day | Bank holiday – school closed |
| Thurs 8 th May | 2.50pm | VE Day Cake Sale and Mufti day |
| Fri 9 th May | Am | 5JC visit to Kingfisher Barn |
| Mon 12 th May | All week | SATS begin for Year 6 pupils |
| Mon 12 th May | Am | 5RH visit to Kingfisher Barn |
| Mon 19 th May | All day | Year 6 to GoApe |
| Thurs 22 nd May | 2.50pm | Children finish for half term |
| Fri 23 rd May | All day | School closed for children – staff training day |
| Weds 25 th June | 3.50-5.30pm | Summer Fair- more info to follow |

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

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